

# Weekly Newsletter

25th November



## Senior Leadership Message -

The children have continued to learn about the value of this half term's theme: 'Respect'. In Collective Worship, we discussed how we can respect the environment both locally and globally.

This week, Year 2 attended the 'Big Sing' event at St Catherine's School. Alongside other schools, they learned songs and vocal warm-ups to understand how our singing voices work. The children then performed what they had learned for parents and families. We were very proud of how well the children represented the school and participated. Their performance in front of so many families and pupils from St Catherine's was particularly impressive. It was also special to watch the choirs from St Catherine's School perform for us.



Next week, on Wednesday, 27th November, the school will participate in 'No Pens Day'. This is an opportunity for children to put their pens down, talk, listen, and engage in various pen-free activities to celebrate and develop vital speech, language, and communication skills. As part of this, we will join the 'biggest ever show and tell' event. Children are welcome to bring in an important or special object to share with their class. Please ensure each child brings only one item so everyone who wants to participate gets a turn. We suggest not bringing items of high monetary or sentimental value to avoid any damage. We look forward to sharing some of the learning from this day.

Information about No Pens Day can be found here: <https://speechandlanguage.org.uk/get-involved/no-pens-day/>. We are not asking families for any donations for this day.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

## Class Reminders

Please ensure that you send your child into school with winter coats and gloves (all named!) as the children are keen to access learning opportunities outside and the weather has definitely turned.



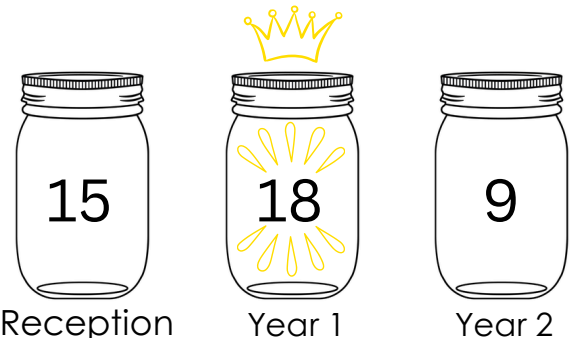
Headteacher  
**AWARD**

Value  
**AWARD**

(YR) Summer  
(YR) Georgie  
(Y1) Scarlett  
(Y1) Freddie  
(Y2) Holly  
(Y2) Freya

(YR) Atticus  
(Y1) Charlotte  
(Y2) Max

Class Gem Jar  
**AWARD**



Well done everyone!

# Notices

## School Photos - Monday 25th November

**Sibling Photos** - If you would like any sibling photos taken by our photographer, please bring your children straight to the hall for **8.30am** and then return to the office for registration.

**Nursery & Pre-School Children** - If your child doesn't normally attend school on a Monday, but you would like them to have their photo taken, please bring them in for **10.15-10.30am via the Birtley Road gate**. Please note that you will need to stay and supervise your child.

## Attendance and change to absence request forms

We have recently had a visit from the school's link Inclusion Officer regarding attendance. Our current attendance is 95.5% which is slightly below our school target of 97%. Our current policy is in line with the government guidance 'Working together to improve attendance' which came into force in August 2024. We are only able to approve leave requests for special circumstances. Please see our attendance policy on the website for more details

<https://www.bramley.surrey.sch.uk/page/?title=Policies&pid=31>

Please email the office if your child has a medical/dental appointment with the date and time. You are no longer required to fill out an absence request form for these appointments.

Thank you for your donations last week for Children in Need. Together we have raised **£101.00!**

**SPORTS STARS**

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**One Day Camp**

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Sports Stars are running a day camp for the upcoming Inset day. See details above.

# Classroom Focus

## RECEPTION



This half term our focus is on Light and Dark which will include celebrating Christmas. As part of this theme, this week we are thinking about owls. We are finding out lots of interesting facts about where they live and what they do. We enjoyed sharing the book Owl Babies together in Drawing Club. Every week in Drawing Club we explore some exciting new words inspired by the week's story, then we read and talk about the book together. Next, we each draw a picture based on something that happens in the book but with a special twist. When a 'code word' is added to the picture, something amazing happens! This week we drew Bill the owl making his wish. When we've

written the code and someone reads it, Bill gets his wish. We thought he might like owl hot chocolate made from chocolate worms and spiders!

In Outdoor Learning the children have been comparing the photos of trees and plants they took last half term with the same view now. Mrs Miles has been very impressed with their knowledge of the changes the season of Autumn brings.



We are also learning to feel really confident recognising numbers 1 – 10 and making sure that we know how to count out a matching number of objects .



Patterns are always fun to be on the lookout for. Stampers make some lovely repeating shape and colour patterns. There's still plenty of time for experimenting with different building materials, writing and making music as we learn.

We are already practising our songs for the Nativity and will have so much fun when the outside house becomes Santa's Grotto and the sleigh arrives in a few weeks.

# Upcoming Events

Please note that dates in bold may have been added or changed since our last notices.

## November

25th Individual school photos - rescheduled date\*

## December

6th PTFA Christmas Fair

11th Nursery & Pre-School Christmas production at 9.15am in the hall

11th Main school Christmas play at 1.45pm in the hall

12th Main school Christmas play at 9.15am in the hall

15th Bramley Village Carol Service at 6pm Holy Trinity Church

16th Year 2 trip to Wintershall Nativity

18th Christmas jumper day, Class Christmas parties & Christmas lunch day

18th Phyllis Tuckwell reindeer run at 9am

19th Pause day & Christingles

19th Carols around the tree at 2pm - Parents invited

20th Children break up for Christmas holidays at 1.15pm

## January

6th Inset Day

7th Children return to school

27th Holocaust Memorial Day

30th National Story Telling Week Starts

## February

3rd National storytelling week

3rd Children's mental health week

12th Year 1 trip to Spectrum sports event

17th Half term week

24th INSET day

## March

5th Year 2 trip to Spectrum sports event

6th World book day – children to come in dressed up

10th British science week

10th Reception trip to the Haslemere Museum

19th – 21st Traveling book fair

21st Red Nose Day for Comic Relief

28th National Skipping Day

4th End of term – children finish at 1.15pm

## April

22nd Inset Day

23rd Children return to school

## May

12th Mental Health Awareness Week

26th Half term week



**PTFA**  
**Notices**

It was fantastic to see so many creative crazy hairdos this morning! Thank you so much for all your wonderful chocolate donations too. If you didn't manage to get yours in this morning, you can drop it off with Becky in the office, either this afternoon or on Monday.

Thank you also for any additional preloved Toy/book donations. Thanks to your generosity we now have enough toys for the stall, so we will be stopping collecting toy donations from today.

A reminder on Dates for your Diary:  
Friday 29th Nov - Parent presents (mufti)  
Friday 6th December - Christmas Fair

A big thank you also for the generous contributions towards the raffle. Tickets will be on sale at the Christmas Fair, and there are some absolutely fantastic prizes to be won this year, so watch this space!

We will be selling the tokens for the Christmas fair, along with booking slots for Santa's grotto next Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th November on the Reception playground at pickup time.

Thank you for helping us raise these much needed funds!

Marty, Tiff, Lucinda, Holly & the rest of the team x



# Term Dates

## 2024 - 2025

Autumn Term 2024	Spring Term 2025	Summer Term 2025
02/09/24 to 20/12/24	06/01/25 -04/04/25	22/04/25 – 18/ 07/25
<b>Half Term:</b> 28/10/24 – 01/11/24	<b>Half Term:</b> 17/02/25 – 21/02/25	<b>Half Term:</b> 26/05/25 – 30/05/25
<b>INSET DAY:</b> 02/09/24, 03/09/24, 04/11/24	<b>INSET DAY:</b> 06/01/25, 24/02/25	<b>INSET DAY:</b> TBC

## 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025	Spring Term 2026	Summer Term 2026
03/09/25 to 19/12/25	05/01/26 -27/03/26	13/04/26 – 22/07/26
<b>Half Term:</b> 27/10/25 – 31/10/25	<b>Half Term:</b> 16/02/26 – 20/02/26	<b>Half Term:</b> 25/05/26 – 29/05/26
<b>INSET DAY:</b> TBC	<b>INSET DAY:</b> TBC	<b>INSET DAY:</b> TBC

# Adverts & Events

Free Entry

Charity no. 803625

Raising funds for  
Shamley Green play park

## SHAMLEY GREEN FESTIVE FAMILY FUN DAY

JOIN THE FUN WITH:  
**FATHER CHRISTMAS  
FACE PAINTING  
BOOGIE PUMPS  
MONKEY MUSIC  
MESSY CHURCH**

AND LOTS MORE!

**Sunday 1st December**

Arbuthnot Village Hall  
2.00 - 4.30pm

Contact: lordshillplaypark@gmail.com



## BRAMLEY LIBRARY

10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY AS A  
VOLUNTEER RUN LIBRARY

Join us for a  
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on  
Saturday  
14<sup>th</sup> December  
11.00-12.30

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### Christmas Football Tournament

**Monday 23rd December**

**PARK MEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Park Drive, Cranleigh, Surrey GU6 7HB

**TILLINGBOURNE JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
New Rd, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8NB

**BOXGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Boxgrove Lane, Guildford, Surrey GU1 2TD

**Price: £30**

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