

9th December

# Weekly Newsletter



## Senior Leadership Message -

Another busy week here at Bramley! The children have been diligently practicing for the Christmas performance, and we are excited to welcome our families to the performances next week.

- **Wednesday, 11th Dec – 9:15 am:** Nursery and Pre-school Christmas Production. **Entry via Birtley road gate.**
- **Wednesday, 11th Dec – 1:45 pm:** Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Nativity. **Entry via Birtley road gate.**
- **Thursday, 12th Dec – 9:15 am:** Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Nativity. **Entry via Birtley road gate.**

In Collective Worship, we have been learning about the meaning behind Advent and its significance. Year 2 demonstrated the value of Koinonia by visiting a local care home and singing carols with the residents. The children enjoyed sharing the songs they have learned and made Christmas cards to give to the residents. We are very proud of how the children represented the school and supported their local community.

We hope the children and families enjoy the Christmas Fair after school today. Thank you for your support in helping to raise funds for the school and the children's education.

When dropping off and collecting your children, please could we ask families to ensure that the children do not touch the learning resources in Reception's outdoor learning area. The Reception staff spend time planning and organising these resources ready for the children's learning and we do not want them to be damaged or moved. Thank you for your support with this.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.



### Prayer



Christ, come into our world of darkness  
Light up our lives with your coming.

Strengthen our resolve to work for change in our world  
And to share the hope of your birth that each Advent brings.  
Amen.

## Class Reminders

### Nursery & Pre-School -

Please can you send your child in with a named carrier bag each day next week as the children will be coming home with various Christmas bits. Thank you.

### Reception -

Please could you send in some Christmas head gear in a named bag for Monday to stay on their peg for the performance. For example some tinsel, hair accessories.



Headteacher  
**AWARD**

Value  
**AWARD**

- (YR) Coco
- (YR) Scarlett
- (Y1) Isla
- (Y1) Theo
- (Y2) Rafferty
- (Y2) Jack

- (YR) Ben
- (Y1) Wilbur
- (Y2) Monty

Class Gem Jar  
**AWARD**

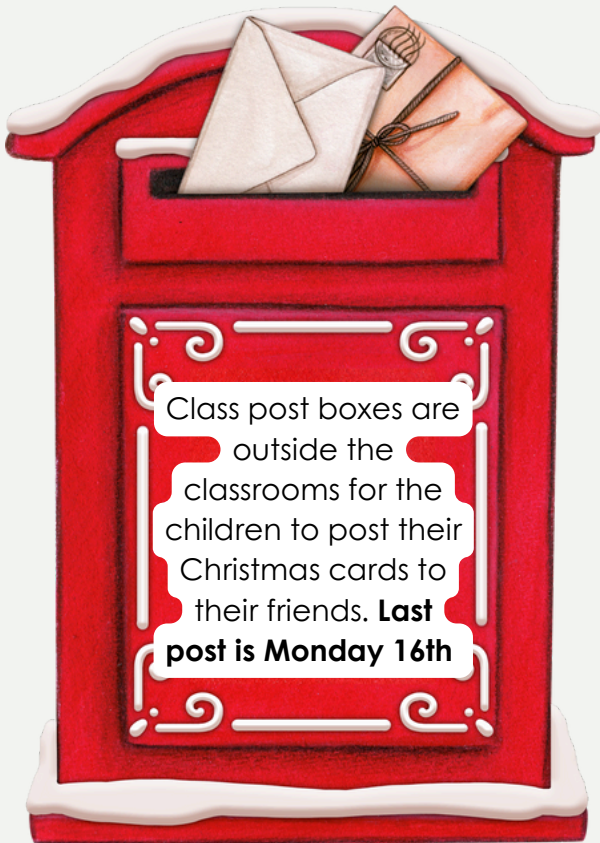


Year 2



Well done everyone!

# Notices



Please be aware that this section of the car park is part of the pavement for pedestrians and is therefore a No parking zone. We understand that parking is limited outside the school, but please refrain from parking where the red lines are shown below. It is to keep everybody safe. Thank you for your cooperation.



## 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.

# Classroom Focus

## YEAR TWO

Year Two have had quite the musical half-term in the lead up to Christmas which has inspired lots of the learning we have been doing. In November we took a trip to St. Catherine's to take part in 'The Big Sing' with some other schools, where the children got to learn and perform lots of new and exciting songs. This has supported their writing as they have been using this trip as a focus to base their recount writing on, exploring writing in chronological order and time related sentence starters.



Throughout the term we have been exploring the theme of giving in Christianity, specifically at Christmas time linking to the Christmas story and looking at different ways that we can give to others.

Linking to one of the school values, Koinonia, this week we took a trip to Blunden Court to perform some of our Nativity songs and Christmas carols to the residents and local people at the day centre, as a way of reaching out and practising the important act of giving at this special time of year. The children sang beautifully and our audience enjoyed singing along too.



In maths we have been learning all about shape, developing on our knowledge from year one by looking at the names and characteristics of both 2-D and 3-D shapes. This has linked to the learning we have been doing in Art and Design, looking at the artist Paul Klee and the Cubism movement, exploring how shape is used in artwork. The children have had a go at recreating their own images exploring shape, cubism and colour - they have produced some really fantastic pieces!

# Upcoming Events

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

## December

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

Thank you very much for all your sponsorship for the walk/ run / bike / scooter over the October half term. The total raised was £286.00 which has helped subsidise a Year 2 trip to Wintershall.

We're so excited to see you at the Christmas Fair later today, hopefully it will be a great afternoon of fun for the children as well as a successful fundraiser for the school. We will be updating you soon on what the money raised will be put towards.

Raffle tickets will be available to buy at the fair, we have some amazing prizes including tickets to Goodwood, Wisley, Little Street, Fishers Farm and an overnight stay in a Shepherds Hut at The Merry Harriers.... amongst many many more! The raffle will be drawn on Monday 16th December and we will get in touch directly with the winners. Good luck!

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

## Bramley Library

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



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

RSVP: [Bramleylibrary@gmail.com](mailto:Bramleylibrary@gmail.com)



## BRAMLEY LIBRARY



Drop in and have some fun on  
Tuesday afternoon  
17th December  
3.15 - 4.15  
4-8 year olds  
(siblings welcome)



Please sign up on Facebook or at the library desk



**15% EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**  
Ends 1st December 2024  
Using Code: **XMAS24**

**10% SIBLING DISCOUNT**  
USE CODE: **SIBLING24**  
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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**

Drop off 8:30am-9:30am, Pick up 3:30pm-4:30pm

To book and for more information please visit the web address below or scan the QR Code.  
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