



Brunswick Park Primary School e-Newsletter 12

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February's value is Loyalty

Dear Parents and Carers

An essential part of our ongoing safeguarding training is Online Safety, and we were delighted to welcome Theresa Hughes, an Online Safety specialist who has extensive experience of working with school staff, parents, carers, children and young people to give them the knowledge and skills to stay safe online. She ran workshops and held assemblies for all children in Key Stage 2, held training sessions for all school staff and ran workshops for parents and carers. The staff training and work with children was excellent, and staff and children are now even more aware of the dangers of misusing technology such as Smartphones and Tablets, of how companies pay search engines like Google to be at the top of search result lists and how sharing information with strangers online can lead to blackmail and crime. Sadly, only 6 parents in total attended the workshops we asked Theresa to run for you. There are 271 children in KS2. This is a great shame and a missed opportunity for you to make sure you know enough to keep your children safe. Ms Inniss-Griffith and I deal regularly with pupils who misuse their Smartphones outside school because their parents are unaware of their children's actions and have not taken control of their online activity. This is a parent's or carer's responsibility, and to fulfill it you need to know how. These workshops were held to help you in this ever-changing world. In September when we issue new passwords and logins to children, parents and carers will be required to attend an Online Safety Workshop before their children's passwords are issued. Please use the Right to Reply slip at the end of this Newsletter to tell me the reasons why you did not attend a workshop so we can ensure they meet your needs better in September. Thank you for your support and co-operation with this, as we want to provide you with the best tools available for you to protect your children.

With best wishes for a peaceful, enjoyable and safe weekend and fortnight ahead,
Susannah Bellingham

We were delighted to receive this email from a local resident:

Subject: Your pupils on a bus

We have just travelled back to Camberwell on a bus from Aldgate and were horrified when the whole upper deck was filled with children; however we were delighted that they were well behaved and the quietest school party we have ever experienced. They required almost no supervision from the teachers. Best wishes and congratulations.

This was Year 3 returning from their trip to Tate Modern and St Paul's Cathedral. They are a credit to the school and to you. Mrs Bellingham sent the following reply:

I am writing to thank you for taking the trouble to write to tell us such wonderful news. I cannot tell you how much messages like yours mean to me, the staff and the children. How we are perceived by others is so important, and children need to know that they are noticed and that their behaviour is valued and appreciated. As you know, our manners are always on display, and learning good ones early is key to future success. Despite the horrible weather that day, our Year 3 pupils really enjoyed their trip, and I am proud that they showed you just how delightful they are. I have passed your message on to their teachers who are very touched that you took the trouble to praise them and the children.

Key Dates: 2017 – 2018

To help you plan ahead, please find below Southwark's proposed Term and Holiday dates for **NEXT YEAR – 2017-18**. You will also find them on the School Website and on www.southwark.gov.uk

Autumn term

Monday 4 September – Friday 20 October

Half Term Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October

Monday 30 October – Wednesday 20 December

Spring term

Tuesday 2 January – Friday 9 February

Half Term Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February

Monday 19 February – Thursday 29 March

Summer term

Monday 16 April – Friday 25 May

Half Term Monday 28 May – Friday 1 June

Monday 4 June – Friday 20 July

In 2017/18 children should attend for 190 days (or 380 half sessions). Teachers must be available to work for 195 days during this academic year.

Public Holidays

Boxing Day Holiday Tuesday 26 December 2017

New Year Holiday Monday 1 January 2018

Good Friday Friday 30 March 2018

Easter Monday Monday 2 April 2018

May Day Bank Holiday Monday 7 May 2018

Spring Bank Holiday Monday 28 May 2018

Summer Bank Holiday Monday 27 August 2018

BPPS Newsround

Every month on the School Website, www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk, you will find a new video episode of **BPPS Newsround**. Our talented Newsreaders from Years 1, 3 and 6 present news summaries and key news stories to keep you updated. Catch the first episode on the News: Whole School News tab. Sophie Wrayworth's got competition!

Baby it's cold outside....

Thanks to all parents and carers who have named clearly their children's coats, hats and gloves, which they need in this spell of cold weather. When the children play outside they often run about and play active games, and although the weather is cold, when they get hot and sweaty they take their coats, hats and gloves off. They inevitably get put down and forgotten, so naming them is crucial if you want to keep them! If you have not done so already, please ensure all your children's clothing is named so forgotten and mislaid items can be reunited with their owners easily.

Parents or carers of Children with SEN - COFFEE MORNING

We are keen to support our parents with children in school who have Special Educational Needs. We hope that by providing you with a place to meet and an opportunity to share any worries and ideas with other parents, you will be able to support each other with the challenges that you face.

Our next coffee morning will be on
Wednesday 1st February from 9.15 – 10.15 am.
(Please meet in the school office.)

I look forward to seeing you there.

Helen (SENCo)



| Spring Sharing Assemblies | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| 2B | 1 February 2017 |
| 2A | 2 February 2017 |
| 2C | 8 February 2017 |
| 4B | 9 February 2017 |
| 5A | 22 February 2017 |
| 1C | 23 February 2017 |
| 5B | 1 March 2017 |
| 3B | 2 March 2017 |
| 1B | 8 March 2017 |
| 3A | 9 March 2017 |
| 1A | 15 March 2017 |
| 4C | 16 March 2017 |

