

Brunswick Park Primary School

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Brunswick Park
Primary School

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December's Focus Value is **PEACE**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the final Newsletter of the Autumn Term 2020! The whole school community has done incredibly well to get this far with so little disruption caused by COVID-19, and my heartfelt thanks go to everyone involved in the daily life of Brunswick Park for keeping school life as normal as possible in these very different times. Everyone in school has worked extremely hard to make this happen, and they deserve an extremely well-earned rest, as London moves into Tier 3. This makes no difference to children attending school, so we will keep going until Friday 18 December as planned.

You have already received a letter about the children's finishing times on Friday that are staggered for social distancing, which are as follows:

Reception: 1.15pm

Resource Base: 1.30pm

Years 1 and 2: 1.30pm

Years 3 and 4: 1.45pm

Years 5 and 6: 2.00pm

Please collect your children promptly. The last day for children who attend the Nursery is Thursday 17 December. **The Nursery is closed on Friday 18 December.**

The link to the online survey for parents and carers about school communication has been sent via ParentMail and direct email. Thank you to those who have already filled it in; your feedback is really valuable in helping us to improve your experience of school, and when it can be harder to see us because of COVID-19 restrictions, communication becomes even more important.

Please remember that the school cannot afford to send multiple SMS texts and paper copies of letters. Email is free, as are forms of social media such as Twitter, and are the quickest and most efficient way of sending information. However, they are only effective if checked regularly, which is your responsibility. If you have forgotten your ParentMail password or are having difficulty accessing messages, please contact the School Office Staff who will be happy to help.

Children return to school after the holiday on Tuesday 5 January 2021. The children having a hot lunch from 5-8 January when they return are Reception, Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5, and the menu is on the school website. All that remains is for me to wish you and your families a peaceful, happy, safe and healthy holiday, and to wish you all the very best for the New Year. As they say, it will be all right in the end, and if it's not all right, it's not the end. We're pinning our hopes on a better 2021.

Best wishes

Susannah Bellingham

Head Teacher



Telling the School about a child's Positive COVID-19 Test Results over the Festive Holiday

If your child receives a positive test result for COVID-19 between Saturday 19 December up to and including Thursday 24 December, please send an email with your child's name, class and date the positive test result was received to

brunswick@bpschool.org

between 9.00am and 12 Noon.

Please do not use the usual school email address as it will not be monitored, and you do not need to report positive test results to the school after 24 December until next term begins.

What do I do if my child is ill?

Government Guidance states:

'If anyone in school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and be advised to follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

This sets out that they must:

- *self-isolate for at least 10 days*
- *arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)*

If your child becomes unwell at home with any of these symptoms, you must inform the School Office then follow the guidance:

self-isolate and get a test.

If the test results are negative and your child is well, s/he should return to school.

If they are positive you must inform the School Office immediately so the Local Health Protection Team can take appropriate action.



APRIL 2020 - SEPTEMBER 2020

1.2 MILLION

**EMERGENCY FOOD PARCELS
WERE GIVEN TO PEOPLE IN
CRISIS BY TRUSSELL TRUST
FOOD BANKS**



**If you want to give an
end of term gift to your
child's teacher or school
staff, please donate to
The Trussell Trust using
this link:**

<https://www.trusselltrust.org/get-involved/ways-to-give/>



**Brunswick's children looked
fantastic on Friday 11 December to
make the World better with a
sweater (and celebration clothes),
and raised a smashing**

£171.75

for Save the Children.

Thank you!



Christmas Jumper Day in the
Resource Base



**And Key Stage 2 children really enjoyed
the chance to go to the theatre last week,
where they enjoyed performances of The
Wonderful, based upon the Wizard of Oz.**

**Thank you for showing such generous
support to Peckham Theatre - a charity -
with a donation of**

£244.50

**THEATRE
PECKHAM**



The fabulous Marjorie Damah, our School Home Support Practitioner, has arranged for companies to donate Christmas presents for distribution to Brunswick's most vulnerable families.

She and Bev Ferguson have been wrapping them up, as modelled here by our gorgeous children. In these hard times, spreading love and kindness is even more important.

Thanks to everyone involved.



We are delighted that Father Christmas has been able to take time out of his busy schedule to visit our youngest children, who have been lucky enough to have their photograph taken with him whilst he caught his breath. He's back with his elves now, making sure everything's ready for Christmas Eve....



LUNCH BOX SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROJECT

PROVIDING FREE NUTRITIOUS TASTY MEALS

21Dec 2020 | 8 Jan 2021



FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT
07841 577773

Shift partnering with schools to deliver healthy affordable food



The Melanin Health & Wellbeing Lunch Box Project is led by a team of local volunteers.

It aims to source and deliver free nutritious and healthy traditional African Caribbean and Asian meals and groceries to 500 vulnerable BAME single parent households within Southwark.

If you are a single parent household from the BAME community in the Walworth area of Southwark, and your family is entitled to Free School Meals or you have NRPF, this project is for you.

Reminders

Face Coverings

Staff at the school gates wear face coverings at the beginning and end of the day as they come into contact with lots of adults.

Parents and Carers do not need to wear face coverings on the playground; they must wear them inside the school building.

Christmas Cards

If your child wants to give Christmas cards this year, a reminder that they will be distributed on Thursday 17 December.

(The deadline for bringing them in to the School Office in a knotted plastic bag labelled with your child's name and class was Friday 11 December.)

Reception Transfer 2021

If your child will turn 4 before 31 August 2021,

you need to apply for a place in Reception by 15 January 2021.

- Visit the schools you wish to apply for.
- Complete the online application form.
- You need to do this even if you have a child who comes to our Nursery.
- If you need help with the application form, please speak to Anna in the Nursery.
- If your child has an EHCP and you are interested in a place in the Resource Base, please speak to Susanna Renwick, our SENDCo.

If you have any questions, speak to Anna or any member of the EYFS team.

Home Learning at BPPS

Year 1 Homework



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Year 1 pupils have been very busy drawing maps, showing their journey from their own home to school. Can you spot any familiar locations or road names?

Year 2 Homework



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Year 2 pupils have been very creative, making lots of 3D models. Inspired by their Humanities topic, The Gunpowder Plot, they made a model of the Houses of Parliament. They also made 3D boats and shoe-box habitats for the characters from the book 'The Journey Home'. And finally, did you spot the 3D model of the Polar Express?

At Brunswick we value learning at home as well as school, and this term there has been great engagement with and enthusiasm for our Maker Mat activities that link to Year Group topics.

Year 3 Homework



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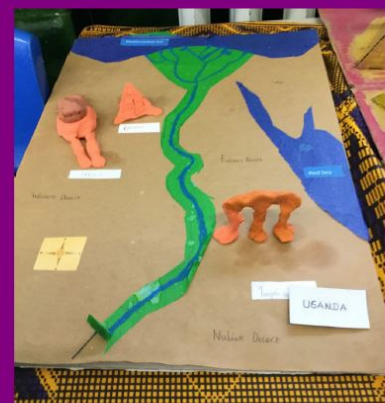
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Year 3 pupils loved their Science topic this half term. They have been making 3D models of flowering plants and labelled their parts. They also used different media to create beautiful drawings of flowers that can be found in the UK.

Year 4 Homework



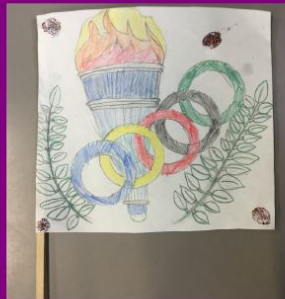
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Year 5 Homework

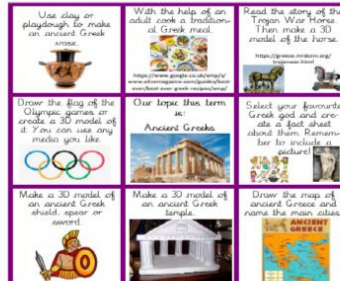


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Year 5—Autumn 2

HOME LEARNING
MAKER MAT



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Year 5 pupils have been learning about the ancient Greeks and creating all sort of objects inspired by this ancient civilisation. Here you can see 3D models of the Trojan Horse and ancient Greek shields, and drawings inspired by the ancient and modern Olympic Games.

Did you know that the Olympic Games started in ancient Greece?

Year 6 Homework



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Year 6 – Autumn 2

HOME LEARNING
MAKER MAT



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Year 6 pupils have been learning about WWII and its catastrophic impact around the world. They have been making 3D models of suitcases that evacuated children could have taken with them. They also created various pieces of artwork inspired by WWII and its perception today.



To try to make understanding its guidance easier, the Government has introduced HANDS FACE SPACE.

At school, primary-aged children do HANDS with extra washing and sanitiser, and FACE and SPACE by being kept in consistent groups and, if age-appropriate, facing forwards in class.

Parents, carers and visitors need to do all 3:

Regular handwashing/sanitising;

Wearing a face covering inside the school building;

Maintaining social distance inside the school building and on the school premises including Bantry and Picton Street.

ONE ADULT PER FAMILY IS PERMITTED TO COME INTO THE PLAYGROUND TO DROP OFF AND COLLECT. PLEASE KEEP YOUR DISTANCE FROM OTHERS.

Term Dates 2020/2021

Autumn Term

HALF TERM 1: Wednesday 2 September 2020 to Friday 23 October 2020

INSET DAYS WEDNESDAY 2, THURSDAY 3 AND FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER – CHILDREN RETURN ON MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 26 October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

HALF TERM 2: Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term

HALF TERM 3: Monday 4 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021

INSET DAY MONDAY 4 JANUARY – CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 5 JANUARY

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

HALF TERM 4: Monday 22 February 2021 to Wednesday 31 March 2021

Summer Term

HALF TERM 5: Monday 19 April 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021

(May Day bank holiday will be taken on 3 May)

INSET DAY ON MONDAY 19 APRIL – CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 20 APRIL

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

HALF TERM 6: Monday 7 June 2021 to Friday 23 July 2021

Children finish at 2.00pm on 18 December 2020, 31 March 2021 and 23 July 2021



Reminders to all Parents and Carers

Correct School Uniform:

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform. All children must wear black shoes, black or grey school trousers or skirts and socks and Hijabs should be plain white, black or grey. Grey or black shorts or purple checked summer dresses can be worn in warm weather.

Punctuality:

Please ensure your child arrives to school on time every day; arriving late is embarrassing and missed learning time affects achievement and stops your child from reaching his or her potential.

Parking:

Picton Street is now closed to traffic from 08:30 - 09:15 and 15:00 - 16:00. If you arrive by car please factor this in, as you will need to park elsewhere and walk into Picton Street.

Safeguarding Information

The designated team for
Safeguarding at Brunswick Park
Primary is

Susannah Bellingham
Andrea Inniss-Griffith and
Thomas Moudiotis.

If you have any concerns about
any child, please contact us.

We are committed to
Safeguarding all children and
members of our school community
and take all concerns seriously.

For your information, key school policies are available on request from the School Office and can be downloaded from the school Website under the 'Our School' tab.

Please check the website for further details about what children have been doing and learning in school.

Missed a newsletter? All newsletters are available for download from the School Website under the 'News' tab.

<http://www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk>

Please look at our website www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk for links to useful activities and information and our updated Safeguarding Policy in light of the Coronavirus Restrictions.

School attendance is now mandatory once again.

If your child is absent from school we will continue making first day absence calls. Home Learning will only be offered to children who cannot attend school for clinical or public health reasons. If you choose not to send your child to school we will happily discuss this with you, but please be aware that non-attendance may result in further action in line with our Whole School Attendance Policy.

Right to Reply:

15/12/20: Please email the address below to give us constructive suggestions or comments, including your name and your child's class.
Thank you.

office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk