

Brunswick Park Primary School

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This month's Focus Value is *Respect*

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the first Newsletter of this new academic year. I hope you had as enjoyable and restful a holiday as possible and that everyone is ready to return to school; 6 weeks is a long time! It is the time of year when we have new families joining us and it has been a pleasure to welcome them and see their children have such smooth and happy beginnings to their school lives in Reception. It has also been great to see so many older children return so keen to start school again in their new Year Groups, new classes and with their new teachers. The children look extremely smart and well turned out in their new uniforms and shiny shoes.

Over the Summer the Council upgraded the school's heating system and the halls and corridors have been redecorated. It is always a rush to put the school back together again after extensive work (in this case upgrading over 150 radiators and all the welding and mess that makes) but the staff have coped brilliantly and our two days' training at the beginning of this week went extremely well. The team is committed to providing the best education it can in an atmosphere of kindness, nurture and respect to enable the children to gain the skills and resilience necessary to learn for living through respect, support and challenge. As we work in partnership with you we need your support to achieve this aim, and thank you for supporting us and your children with reading and home learning and for ensuring you check ParentMail and the website regularly for news, letters, dates and other information.

In this letter and on the website are lots of dates for your diaries and information about school organisation this term. You will also find information about the ambitions of one of our past pupils and now regular coach at Southwark Gymnastics based in our Sports Hall, who was a successful participant in TV's The Next Step and who has now won a scholarship to train in Musical Theatre in America. He feels very strongly about the importance of the arts in today's society and their contribution to human well-being, and he believes society is as good as the art it makes. Like him, I believe the creative arts and physical activity are essential to a well-rounded education, one of the many reasons why music, PE and educational trips and visits have such a high profile at Brunswick, and we wish Khalid all the very best in raising enough money to take his scholarship up.

Year 6 pupils are off to Swanage in Dorset on Monday for 5 days of team building, exploration and fun, so we wish them very well with their packing and preparations at this exciting time.

With best wishes for a peaceful and enjoyable weekend.

Susannah Bellingham

Head Teacher

Term Dates for 2018/19

Autumn term

- Monday 3 September to Friday 19 October
- **INSET DAYS 3 and 4 SEPTEMBER – children return on Wednesday 5 SEPTEMBER**
- *Half term: Monday 22 October to Friday 26 October*
- Monday 29 October to Friday 21 December

Spring term

- Monday 7 January to Friday 15 February
- *Half term: Monday 18 February to Friday 22 February*
- Monday 25 February to Friday 5 April

Summer term

- Tuesday 23 April to Friday 24 May
- *Half term: Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May*
- Monday 3 June to Tuesday 23 July
- **INSET DAY 3 JUNE – children return on Tuesday 4 June**
- **INSET DAYS Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 July, so the last day for children is**
- **FRIDAY 19 JULY 2019**

Diary Dates

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| 10-14 September: | Year 6 School Journey to Swanage in Dorset (pupils remaining in school have alternative activities) |
| 11 and 14 September: | Year 1 trips to the London Transport Museum |
| 17 September: | 'Flu Immunisations |
| 20 September: | Year 1 Transition Meeting for Parents and Carers |
| 20 September: | NSPCC Assemblies and Workshops |
| 21 September: | Year 2 trip to Eynsford Village |
| 26 September: | Meet the Inclusion Team for Parents and Carers |
| 27 September: | Welcome Meeting for Parents and Carers (EYFS) |
| 11 and 18 October: | Transition to Secondary School Meeting for Parents and Carers of pupils in Year 6 |
| 22-26 October: | HALF TERM |
| 5 and 6 November: | Parents' Evenings |
| 14 November: | Individual Photographs |
| 23 November: | Primary Admissions Meeting for Parents and Carers |
| 12 and 13 December: | KS1 Winter Production |
| 20 December: | End of Term – children finish at 2pm |

Teaching Staff 2018-19

Early Years Foundation Stage

Nursery: Helen Clayton

Reception Crimson: Joshua Bowdery

Reception Scarlet: Leah Phillips

Key Stage 1

1A: Camilla Alexander

1B: Henrietta Rollin and Anna Newbold

2A: Joya Roychoudhury

2B: Dina Achilleos

EYFS and KS1 Intervention and Support:

Alex Louis

Anna Newbold

Fiona O'Malley

Key Stage 2

3A: Brooke Murphy (Autumn Term); Edel Fallon (Spring and Summer Terms)

3B: Emma Legg

4A: Cynthia O'Brien

4B: Nicola Scott

Lower KS2 Intervention and Support:

Stephanie Petschler (Autumn Term)

Susanna Renwick Joyce

Andrea Inniss-Griffith

Keeley Lester (Autumn Term)

Tom Mitchell

5A: Samantha Rock

5B: Tobi Akinlade

6A: Christina Huszar

6B: Gwen Cook

Upper KS2 Intervention and Support:

Beverley Russell-Burke

Andrea Inniss-Griffith

Tom Mitchell

Resource Base: Caroline Champion

SEND Teacher: Natalie Tegama

EAL (English as an Additional Language) Teacher: Gaby Richards

MFL (Spanish) Teacher (KS2 only): Anne-Marie Lake

Specialist Music Teacher: Paula Hales

Specialist PE, Sport and Games Teacher: Andrew Payne

When do the children need their PE Kits?

Children must change their clothes for PE into PE kit.

This following information is on our website:

PE kit comprises:

Plain white T shirt;

Plain black shorts with optional 'Brunswick' logo;

Plimsolls or trainers for outdoor sports and games.

At the beginning of the academic year your child will have a letter stipulating when they have PE and swimming

For swimming your child will need a towel, swimming costume/trunks (not shorts) and a swimming hat;

For outdoor PE, a tracksuit can be worn over PE kit in cold weather.

PE Days

Tuesdays: Years 1 and 5

Wednesdays: Years 3 and 4

Thursdays: Years 2 and 6

Fridays: Nursery and Reception

Khalid Kerr's Scholarship Danceathon

Khalid left Brunswick Park Primary School in 2011, and since then has honed his talents as a gymnast and dancer with Southwark Gymnastics, based at Brunswick, and at the BRIT School, to the point where he has been offered a scholarship to study in America.

He is currently on the Great Britain Team for Team Gym and Tumbling. He needs additional funds to take the scholarship up, so organised a danceathon with his Mum Abena to start raising the money.

Find out more at his fundraising page, where you will also find links to his amazing performances as a gymnast:

<https://www.gofundme.com/6065fco>



It is so heartening to see past pupils succeed and be given such amazing and potentially life changing opportunities.

Khalid is a delightful young man who if you are able to help him would be extremely grateful.

We all hope he is able to reach his huge target of £40 000!



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:

Please park carefully when dropping off and collecting your children. Parking carelessly puts children at risk. Wardens patrol for the children's safety and welfare.

Safeguarding Information

The designated team for Safeguarding at Brunswick Park Primary is

Susannah Bellingham

Fiona O'Malley and

Andrea Inniss-Griffith.

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>

Attendance Update

Attendance figures will appear on the next Newsletter and thereafter.

Whole School Attendance Target = 97%

Right to Reply:

08/09/18: Please email the address below to give us constructive suggestions or comments, including your name and your child's class.

Thank you.

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