

Brunswick Park Primary School

e-Newsletter



Friday 28 January 2022

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Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

February's Focus Value is **HONESTY**

It's been a busy fortnight, with Brunswick's presence on Twitter getting ever stronger - we have been liked and retweeted so many times and by some very interesting and influential people, including Marcus Rashford and Michael Rosen - and the Twitter threads are the most current place to see and find out about what the children are learning in school. Our latest really positive mention is from M and M Productions, who Tweeted how much they enjoyed performing Snow White for our children, and how well they managed the show (Sleeping Beauty was taken ill with COVID-19, so sent Snow White in her place). It was great fun, and the children were buzzing with enthusiasm afterwards.

Year 5 has started the process of building relationships with children and communities in other parts of the world through sponsorship with ActionAid, and the children have honed their strategic planning, business and enterprise skills by designing and making key rings, promoting them through posters and jingles (queue up to key up! They're only 20p) and selling them on Bantry Street complete with security. They have worked brilliantly as a team, and have set the bar high for other Year Groups to match: nearly £170 before the final sale started today. The money raised will go towards getting to know Muhammed in the Gambia, and we look forward to learning about him, his family and his country.

It was great to welcome parents and carers into school to make their New Year's Matholutions - see Twitter again - and to hear feedback about how helpful it was to see maths being taught in children's classrooms. We all know that maths teaching methods seem to change all the time, and seeing the subject taught to your children dispels myths that it is difficult, and helps you support their learning.

I wrote to you earlier this week to update you about Brunswick's Covid-19 infection control measures from 27 January, summarised below -

We keep:

- Our one-way system at the school gates. This is not as a direct result of mitigating the spread of COVID-19; we have discovered it makes it easier and more efficient for people to enter and exit the premises;
- A limited number of adult visitors at large gatherings until Half Term. School tours, appointments, visits to lessons and coffee afternoons will continue as normal. Adult visitors to sharing assemblies will be invited after Half Term if case numbers remain low. Until then, Sharing Assemblies will be filmed and uploaded to Google Classroom;
- Regular handwashing/sanitising throughout the school day;
- Rooms and spaces well ventilated. The Department for Education has supplied the school with some air purifiers to help with this.

We have changed:

- Face coverings for staff in corridors and communal areas and corridors and adult visitors to the school will be optional;
- Hand sanitiser will no longer be offered by staff at the school gates. Sanitiser will remain available in dispensers in classrooms, communal areas and playgrounds.

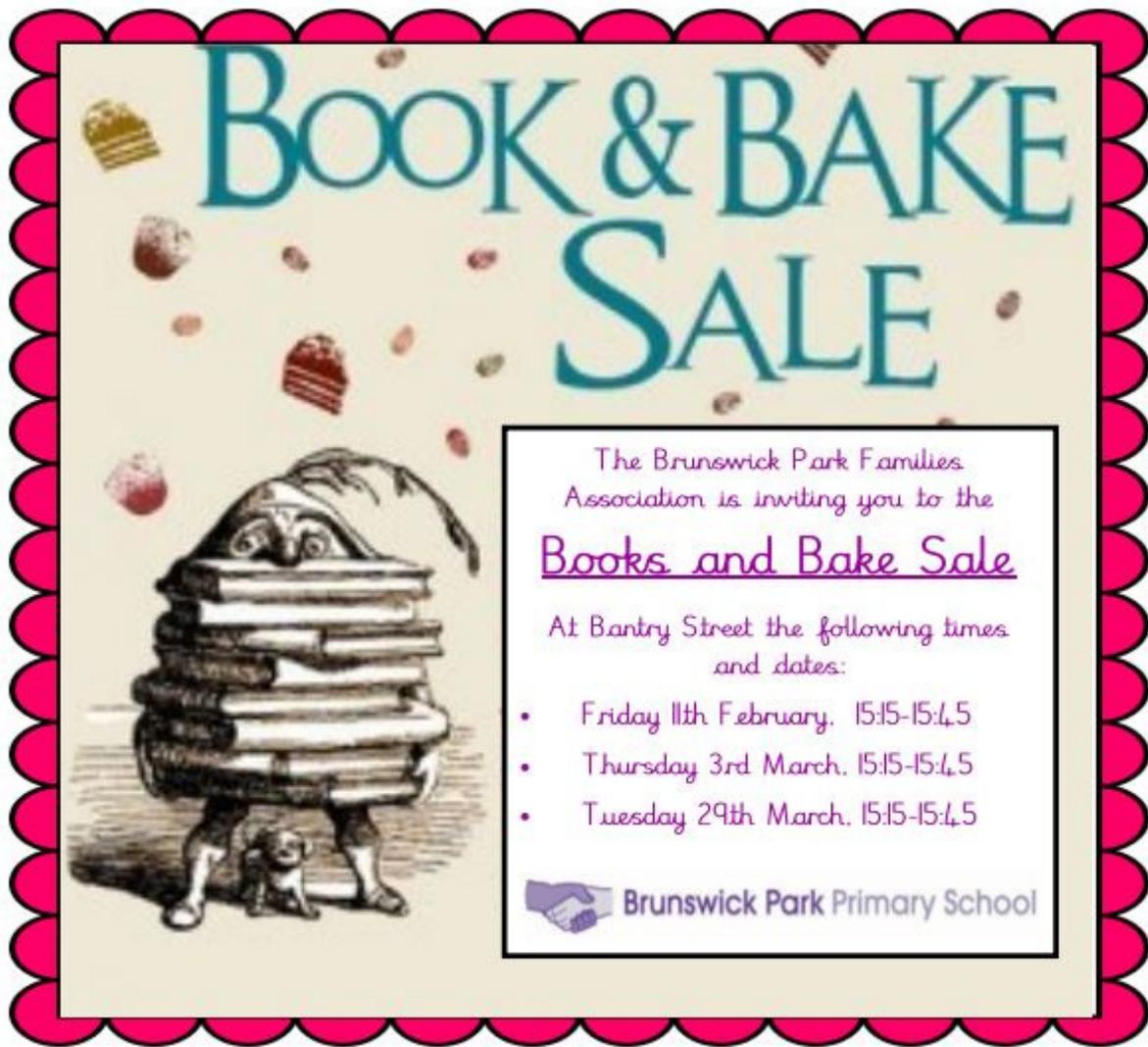
And finally, a reminder: **PLEASE return your GDPR (Data Protection) permission slips as soon as possible** next week so we can be sure we process your data in accordance with your wishes. It's a legal requirement that we have this information, so need every parent/carer to provide it. Thank you.

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

Susannah Bellingham

Head Teacher





Change lives. For good.
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Year 5 has started Brunswick's journey to build relationships with our sponsored children. They have designed and made key rings, supported by a carefully targeted advertising and sales strategy that included site security and even a song!

With one day's selling to go, they have raised a whopping **£166.40**, and are looking forward to introducing themselves to Muhammed, a ten-year-old boy in the Gambia, and getting to know him.



Security



Key ring examples

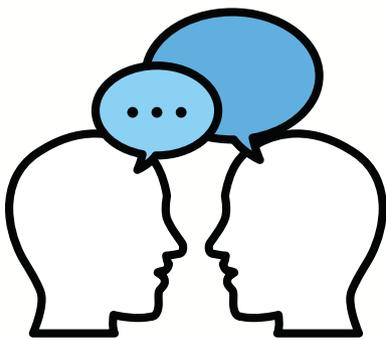




We really enjoyed our panto performance by M and M!

On the day they came, they told us that Sleeping Beauty was ill with COVID-19 and could not perform, so instead Snow White came to surprise us. There was plenty of singing, dancing and clapping along, and lots of shouting 'It's behind you!'

Feedback from the children has been brilliant, and warm thanks go to all those who contributed, and to the children's charity Happy Days for making the performance possible.



The talking challenge -

can you encourage your child to speak in full sentences?
When they can do this, their comprehension and writing improve.
Remember to praise them when they do



takes place on Wednesdays at 08:40 in the
Key Stage 2 playground.
Run, jog or walk - come and join in!

Safer Internet Day 2022



Safer Internet Day 2022 is on Tuesday 8 February and will be celebrated with the theme '**All fun and games? Exploring respect and relationships online**'.

Safer Internet Day promotes the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people.

For 2022, the Day celebrates young people's roles in creating a safer internet and the ways they are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they use. The platforms young people use are spaces for connection, community and collaboration, which is why the Day challenges them to foster supportive relationships and respectful communities, whilst equipping them with the skills they need to keep themselves and others safe in these spaces.

However, there are some emerging safety issues in these spaces as well as issues young people have been coping with for some time; particularly the lack of respect individuals show towards each other, groups 'ganging up' against other groups, and the sense that it is easy to 'get away' with negative behaviour such as meanness, bullying and swearing.

We need to address these issues so that all young people understand what constitutes respectful behaviour online, and know what to do if they encounter hate or bullying directed at them or someone else.

Safer Internet Day 2022 - WWW

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022>



Safer Internet Day 2022 - Parents' Section

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2022/advice-for-parents-and-carers>



FREE SUPPORT FOR SOUTHWARK PARENTS AND CARERS ONLINE SAFETY AND DIGITAL RESILIENCE

We are pleased to offer a fantastic programme of free webinars covering key areas of online-safety and digital-resilience. These sessions are open to any parent or carer that lives or works in Southwark.

Online Gaming: What you need to know

Thursday 27th January, 5pm-5:30pm

Exploring the benefits and risks of the world of online gaming.

Digital Wellbeing and Screen Time

Thursday 3rd February, 5pm-5:30pm

Managing screen time and helping your child's wellbeing.

Online risks, extremism and misinformation

Thursday 10th February, 5pm-5:30pm

How to adopt a "digital resilience" approach to keep your child safe online

Helping your child stay safer online (primary-age children)

Thursday 24th February, 5pm-5:30pm

How you can help your child explore their online world safely.

Being Internet Brave (primary-age children)

Thursday 3rd March, 5pm-5:30pm

Communicating with your child about online safety.

To sign up, visit:

<https://www.pzlocal.org.uk/events>

Daily testing for contacts of COVID-19

From 14 December, a new national approach to daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 has been introduced. All adults who are fully vaccinated and children aged 5 to 18 years and 6 months, identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19 – whether Omicron or not – should take an LFD test every day for 7 days instead of self-isolating. Children under five years old do not need to take part in daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 and do not need to isolate.

Once notified by Test and Trace as a close contact, all eligible staff, pupils and students are strongly recommended to take a LFD each day for 7 days and report the results through the [online reporting system](#) and to their setting. If they test negative, they can continue to attend their education setting. Outside of the education setting, they should continue to follow [national guidance](#). This approach should also be adopted over the Christmas holiday and on return in January.

Children should not attend school if they have symptoms of COVID-19.

If the child has symptoms and a LFD test has not been taken, the child should take a PCR test as soon as possible and isolate at home until you receive the result.

If the result is negative and the child is well enough, the child can then return to school.

The child does not need to take a follow-up PCR test if a LFD test has been taken and the result is positive. Isolation should begin straight away.

If a child tests positive with a Lateral Flow Test but does not have symptoms of COVID-19 (asymptomatic), isolation guidance applies and there is no need for a PCR test to confirm the result.

Please find full guidance at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

RECEPTION
TO YEAR 6



HOLIDAY CLUBS

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN



**FEBRUARY HALF
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(14th - 18th / 21st - 25th February)

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February Half Term Family Activities

At the Centre for Wildlife Gardening
28 Marsden Road SE15 4EE

Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th

February Nature Detectives

10am till 3pm

Tune your senses and discover the tracks and signs that wild animals leave. Use footprint and other traps to detect wildlife in our garden. A two day course with games, stories and activities suitable for families with children of any age.

Friday 15th February

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle

10am till 3pm

A day to explore ways to reduce your environmental impact with composting, planting, crafts and games.



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To find out more and for booking visit www.wildlondon.org.uk/events or contact Diana dwallace@wildlondon.org.uk

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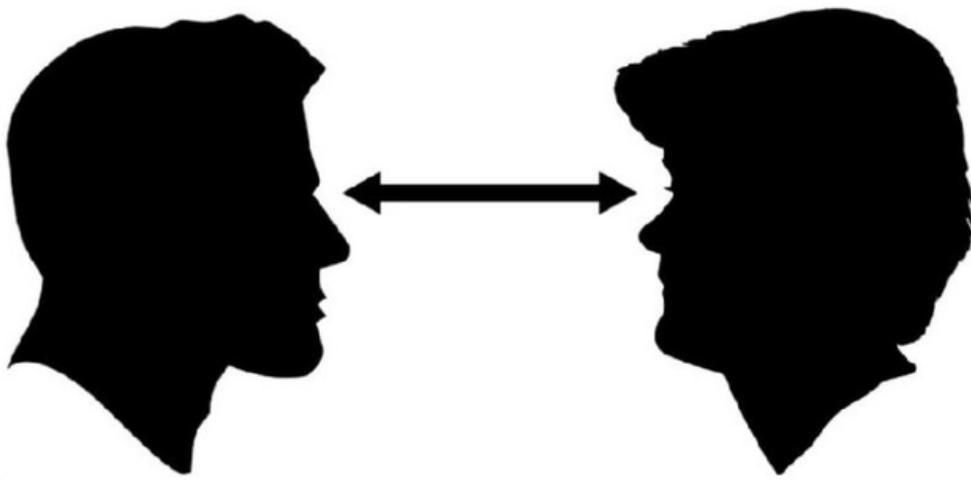
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Encourage your child to make and maintain eye contact with the other person when speaking; they may find this uncomfortable at first, but persevere and give them praise when they do



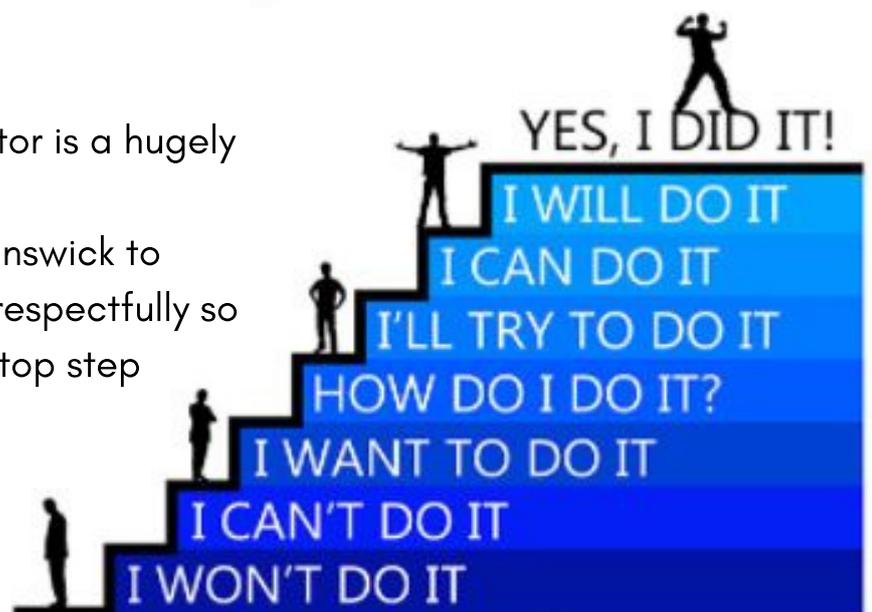
Encourage your child to answer questions in full sentences and to make 2-way conversations where possible



Praise your child when they talk to people with confidence to develop their self-esteem and belief in the power of effective communication

Being an effective communicator is a hugely powerful life skill.

We want every child at Brunswick to communicate confidently and respectfully so they feel they are on the top step



Term Dates 2021/2022

Autumn Term

HALF TERM 1: Wednesday 1 September 2021 to Friday 22 October 2021

INSET DAY ON WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER - CHILDREN RETURN ON THURSDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 25 October 2021 to Friday 29 October 2021

HALF TERM 2: Monday 1 November 2021 to Friday 17 December 2021

Spring Term

HALF TERM 3: Tuesday 4 January 2022 to Friday 11 February 2022

INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 4 JANUARY - CHILDREN RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 5 JANUARY

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 14 February 2022 to Friday 18 February 2022

HALF TERM 4: Monday 21 February 2022 to Friday 1 April 2022

Summer Term

HALF TERM 5: Tuesday 19 April 2022 to Friday 27 May 2022

INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 19 APRIL - CHILDREN RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL

(May Day bank holiday will be taken on 2 May)

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 30 May 2022 to Friday 3 June 2022

HALF TERM 6: Monday 6 June 2022 to Friday 22 July 2022

INSET DAYS ON WEDNESDAY 20 AND THURSDAY 21 JULY; QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE BANK HOLIDAY FRIDAY 22 JULY - LAST DAY IN SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN IS TUESDAY 19 JULY 2022

Children finish at 2.00pm on 17 December 2021, 1 April 2022 and 19 July 2022

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 or plain black trainers, 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
Caroline Champion 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>

Attendance Update

Congratulations to Classes 32A, 4B, 5A and 6A for +98% attendance in the last fortnight. 86 children out of 377 have 100% attendance from 2/9/21 to the 28/1/22. Well done!

Whole School Attendance for W/B 17.01.22: 95.03%

Whole School Attendance for W/B 10.01.22: 95.31%

Whole School Attendance Target: 97%

Right to Reply:

28/01/22: 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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