



BANNOCKBURN Primary School

Newsletter

January 2019

We hope that everyone had an enjoyable break spent with friends and family.

- Thank you to the many children, parents and carers for the gifts and cards that were sent or given to the staff at the end of last term, they are very much appreciated, particularly the lovely messages in cards and letters.
- Community Fun Run: Bannockburn are holding a Fun Run on Sunday 24th March. There will be a 2K (4 years+), 5K (9 years+) and a 10K (14 years+). All money raised will be split between Cancer Research UK (70%) and School Fund (30%). You can also support your children's House Team to gain points for the Sports Trophy! You can enter at runbritain.com. It would be great to beat last year with an even greater number of entrants!! Prizes will be given to a variety of categories of race winners.

Parent Forum

If you require a crèche for the session on 29th Jan, then please inform the school office no later than Monday 28th January to secure a place.

Birthday Treats

If you are bringing in birthday treats for the class please make sure that they are:

- Healthy (nut free)
- Or a gift for the class e.g. book.

We will not be handing out any cakes, sweets, biscuits etc. It is also not compulsory to bring in birthday gifts – that is a parent/carer choice.

Important Dates for Years 1, 2 and 6

Year 1 - The **Year 1** phonics test will take place during the **week beginning 10th June**. (Year 2 retakes will also take place during this week).

Year 2 - **Year 2** SATs tests will take place during **weeks beginning 29th April, 7th May and 20th May**.

Year 6 – **Year 6** SATs tests will take place during the **week beginning 13th May**. These are National Tests that are used to measure children's progress for GCSE examinations (Progress 8) and your child is required to attend school every day during this week.

Please avoid making any appointments during these dates.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 15th January – Last day to apply for 2019 Reception places

Friday 18th January – Year 4 'Stone Age Day'

Tuesday 29th January – Parent Forum @MW 5.30pm-6.30pm
Covering the topic of Wellbeing, including Keeping Safe outside of school.

Friday 15th February – Last day of Half Term (Back to school Monday 25th Feb)

Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th February – Parent/Carer Pupil Review Evenings

Thursday 21st March – International Evening

House Points

Congratulations to Ochre House who were this term's winners with 1691 House Points!

"I am really proud of Ochre House for trying their hardest to earn as many house points as they can and hopefully we can continue to go on and win this year!"

(Ochre House Captain)





Attendance

283 children (Nursery-Year 6) had 100% attendance last term – well done. There are too many names to write in the newsletter, but they have all been awarded 5 House Points. This is up by just 7 from last year so an extra special well done to all of those children who received a certificate ☺

Polite Reminder: Holidays will not be authorised during term time. Please book during the school holidays.

Fundraising

Thank you to everyone that supported and donated to make the Winter Fair such a great success. Together we raised £1386.45!

A special thank you to the parents and carers who supported school staff during the preparations and also during/after the event. If you would like to help out at school events – please email info@bannockburn.greenwich.sch.uk There are many opportunities, including being a House Representative for your child’s House Team.

Other monies raised:

- Collections at Christmas = £100 (School Fund)
- Collections at Christmas Performances = £138.60 (Cancer Research)
- Festive/Winter Jumper Day = £332.66 (Save the Children)
- Poppy Appeal = £133.21

Mini-Chef Takeaway

Are you finding that you are running out of time to cook for the family? Do you want some new recipe ideas?

Posters in the playground and on the school website will be advertising details of each recipe cooked by our Mini-Chefs and the price list. Payment will be taken in cash.

All year groups can purchase from any of the sales.

Recipe cards will be included with all purchases.

- Year 5 – 17th January
Vegetable Biryani
- Year 1 – 23rd January
Italian Pizza
- Year 5 – 25th January
Butternut Squash and Vegetable Soup
- Year 5 – 1st February
Vegetable Pie
- Year 5 – 7th February
Vegetable Bake
- Year 1 – 8th February
Vegetable Fajitas
- Year 1 – 14th February
Vegetable Bolognese

School Term Dates

Please check the school website for updated term dates until July 2020. *If you require a paper copy, please ask at the school offices.*

A reminder to ALL parents and carers to make sure that their children are in school EVERY day unless an emergency.

There are 190 school days and 175/176 possible days that children can stay at home / go on holiday!!

Changes...

If you are unexpectedly unable to collect your child from school at home time and arrange for someone different to collect them, please contact the school office for safeguarding purposes.

Value of the Month: Effort

'Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort.'

Franklin D. Roosevelt

PE KITS

PE Kits should include a white t-shirt, black shorts/ tracksuit bottoms and black plimsoles/trainers.

- ★ **Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3:** Bring in on the first day of half term and take home at half term holiday to wash.
- ★ **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6:** Bring in on a Monday and take home on a Friday to be washed.