

Welcome Back,

We hope that you all managed to enjoy the summer and that this newsletter finds you, your friends and families well.

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all the new children, parents/carers and staff who have joined our school. We hope that you will be very happy here.

Thank you to all the children and their families who wrote such fantastic letters, cards and emails over the past few months. There were some truly touching messages and it was lovely to hear from you.

Our Year 6 children from last year popped by, in small groups, to have their year group photo taken. They were dressed so smartly in their new secondary uniforms and despite the different end to their primary years, they looked very ready to start their year 7. We wish them all the best! On behalf of the school, we would also like to say thank you so much to the parents who organised the collection for our school fund. Receiving that lovely card and the generous donations was very touching. Once the school pupil groups get up and running, we will discuss with them how they want to spend the donation to remember the Year 6 leavers within school.

Contact Numbers:

Manorway 0208 317 5937
High Street 0208 854 2169

If you would like a message to go to your child's teacher please give your child a note or phone/email the school office.

We have also added additional blue post boxes for you to drop off anything for us to collect.

These are situated:

MW: Church Manorway Entrance and the playground outside of the school office.

HS: Playground next to Lemon Class and outside of the school office.

Please note that the workingtogether email is now closed. This will remain dormant in case we should have another school closure.

Please email
info@bannockburn.greenwich.sch.uk



Growing Together,
 Learning For Life

Value of the Month: RESPECT



HOUSE TEAMS

Alizarin - Red
 Emerald - Green
 Indigo - Purple
 Ochre – Yellow

(Rec-Yr6) Each child is placed in a House Team. They will be awarded House Points that accumulate throughout the year and will be shared with the children in the Friday Achievement Assembly.

YEAR 6 CHILDREN

CHILDREN IN YEAR 6 – MOVING ON TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

Please complete the applications on line for secondary schools by 31st October. If you would like help with this, please contact the school office.

Please note that local authorities and some schools with their own admissions may have their own deadline.



GREAT CHANGES

- ✓ Newly rendered walls in the 'quiet area' @HS
- ✓ New benches in the playground @MW
- ✓ New toilets for Cherry and Orange Tree classes
- ✓ Flooring and dividers have been put in for the Science Lab @MW

DROP OFF AND COLLECTION

Thank you to all of those parents/carers who have not only read the risk assessment (some people twice 😊) but have adhered to it! The staff have really appreciated your support.

Please be on time when collecting as the children are currently unable to wait in the school office.

Thank you also for your patience while we administer these temporary measures. As stated before we are reviewing the risk assessment regularly and will update you when there are significant changes.

The children are doing brilliantly within school and as a result of that we are already in discussion regarding the Year 5 and 6 walking home alone. We will have a decision with you by the end of next week. This is likely to be a tiered approach, starting with Year 6. Please bear in mind that this is a privilege and not a right, therefore school will identify if a child should still be collected, by contacting the parents/carers. We will send out our home alone policy to all Year 5 and 6 parents prior to this starting so that you can read and agree.

Please remember if your child has a temperature (above 37.5 degrees), a persistent cough or has lost their sense of taste/smell, you should get them tested and inform school of the outcome.

BOOKS and BOOK BAGS

Children in Reception to Year 3 will start to bring their reading books to and from school starting the week beginning the 7th September.

Please bring these in a school book bag, clear file or wipeable shoe bag – no large bags/rucksacks please.

Children in Years 4-6 will be expected to have one reading book at home and one school reading book, provided by school, that will be kept in school. The books will be sanitised in between children using.

Dates For Your Diary

Currently there are no immediate dates for your diaries due to the temporary stopping of visits/visitors etc. We will, however, be holding some online training linked to e-safety for any parent who requests this and also virtual meetings where needed. These will be sent separately.

Future Dates to Pencil:

21/10/20 & 22/10/20 – Parents Evening

23/10/20 – Last day of Autumn 1

02/11/20 – First day of Autumn 2

Please check the school website for Bannockburn's term dates.

Pupil Benefits and Free School Meals

Please ask the office staff how you can apply for Free School Meals, discounted school trips, free school uniform and free/discounted after school clubs.

Mrs Davis (Reading Teacher):

Dear parents of children I worked with last academic year,

I hope you and your families are well.

We finished school so abruptly in March due to Covid that many of your children were either off school/sent home or had not returned their books. I know it has been many months but please can you return their reading books to the school office FAO Mrs Davis or give to the adults on the school gates in the morning.

Thank-you so much.

Families with English as an Additional Language

We have the translate facility on our website but if you know of anyone that needs support understanding the information shared from school and you are able to help them, please do so, particularly during this time.

We hold a list of parent translators if you are able to support the school community by offering your services as a volunteer.

School Uniform

The start of the year is a good time to remind children and parents/carers of the correct uniform that should be worn to school.

Boys/Girls:

- Grey skirt, pinafore or shorts/trousers.
- Royal blue shirt or polo shirt
- Yr6 white shirt and tie
- Royal blue jumper
- Grey, black or white socks/ grey or black tights
- Black shoes/ trainers (not boots)
- Open toe or sling-back style shoes are not allowed

P.E. All children should have:

- **Black** shorts and jog suit trousers
- A **white** T shirt
- Plimsolls/trainers (**black**)
- P.E kit kept in a named bag
- Please note that year 3, 4 and 6 swimming dates will be given out separately.

PE Kits: Please check the school website for your child's PE day. They should arrive in their PE kit on those days. Please make sure that they are appropriately dressed for outdoor/indoor PE and follow the uniform policy above.

*Hair ties, head scarfs, weaves and extensions should be in school colours of royal blue, brown, black, grey, orange or white.
No jewellery.*

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Reminders:

- Named water bottles
- No mobile phones unless 'home alone' – these will be kept in the classroom when this option becomes available again.