

Weekly News

25th March 2021



Dates and key information

School Meals

Week Beginning 29th March - **YELLOW**

Juniors ~ £2.35 Infants ~ free

March

- Mon 29th - Drawing Club 3.30pm - 4.15pm
- Mon 29th - Running Club 3.30pm - 4.15pm
- Mon 29th - PE - Infants & Juniors
- Weds 31st - Infant Forest School Group 1
- Weds 31st - Junior Forest School Group 1

April

- **Thurs 1st - LAST DAY OF TERM**

- **Tues 20th - FIRST DAY OF TERM**
- Weds 21st - Infant Forest School Group 1
- Weds 21st - Junior Forest School Group 1

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that all the children have been back in school for three weeks now; the time has flown by. I'm pleased to report that attendance has been good with most children attending school every day. We need to aim to continue this so that our overall attendance for the school is as close to 100% as possible. With so much school missed through lockdown it is vital that your child attends every possible day of school. Research has proven that there is a high correlation between school attendance and academic performance and success and regular school attendance patterns encourage the



development of other responsible patterns of behaviour. In addition to this, learning is a progressive activity; each day's lessons build upon those of the previous day so missed days mean missed learning. We are here to help you if you are struggling with your child's attendance. Please speak to us if you need to.

The internet is essential in 21st century life for education, business and social interaction and it was an invaluable tool when the children were learning at home. As children move up through the school their access to various types of technology increases and it stands to reason that their exploration and curiosity increases too. The positives of the digital world overwhelmingly outweigh the negatives but children, schools and parents all need to be aware of the various online risks. Unfortunately, many online platforms which claim to be child friendly, like YouTube Kids, are not always as innocent as they seem and our advice is to always be monitoring the content of what your child is viewing. Many pop ups and adverts can sneak through the filters and can lead to children being exposed to harmful images and content. If you need further advice about how to keep your child safe online then please contact us. Additionally, the thinkyouknow.co.uk website has tips and information which you may find useful.



Best wishes

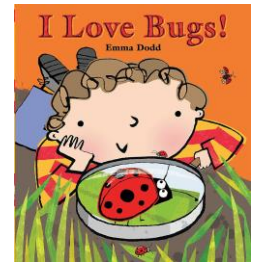
Corrinne Smith

CURRICULUM NEWS

INFANTS

This week Class One have started to read 'I Love Bugs' by Emma Dodd. We are enjoying looking at the patterns she uses in the story and creating our own.

We have been creating spring art and linking this to our class story. The children have started to look at the globe. We have been learning about where we live and looking at photographs of other countries.



JUNIORS

The juniors have been busy baking this week. During maths, they have been investigation ratio and proportion through scaling recipes. On Wednesday, all children were given a recipe that made 24 biscuits and then they had to scale the recipe to make either 12, 36 or 16 biscuits. They did very well at working out the correct ingredients and the biscuits tasted great!



BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club runs daily when required from 7.45am with Mrs Ward and is available to Brumble Bee children as well as school children at the cost of £4.00 per child. There is support available with the cost if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium. Please pre-book sessions through the school office by email to admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk or alternatively phone 01598 710345.



PLEASE NOTE if your child is not booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to attend.



Well Done
for receiving a certificate of achievement this week



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

Blade - For working really hard in his writing and creating a fantastic set of instructions.

Ava - For working really hard to challenge herself in maths.

Infants

Jemmi - For excellent effort in PE and phonics.

Brayford Academy Term Dates 2020 - 2021

Last day of term	Thursday 1 st April 2021
Summer Term	
First day back	Tuesday 20 th April 2021
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 rd May 2021
Half term	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2021
Last day of term	Thursday 22 nd July 2021