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A message from Mrs. Denham

Thank you all for your support and understanding through what has been a challenging week at school as we have had high sickness and COVID levels throughout the school. We have done everything we possibly can to make sure staff and pupils are kept safe, buildings are well ventilated and clean to a high standard, but it seems that COVID is rife in the area at the moment. We ask that if your child has a positive lateral flow test result, to please notify the school immediately, in addition please report your result to <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

We would also like to remind you that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they must remain off school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 48 hrs.

I would like to thank all staff for stepping up, covering and supporting each other and going the extra mile this week. They have been amazing.

We still have spaces on the wonderful Y3/4 residential to Skern Lodge in March. Please have a look at their website if you are considering this opportunity for your child. If you would like to discuss this further, please give me a ring.

School News

Gymnastics Year R and Year 1 – If you haven't yet paid for this activity could you please do so as soon as possible. If you have any issues making this payment, please can you contact the school office.

Touch-Typing Club will take place afterschool on Wednesday (02/02/22) instead of Monday.

Privacy Notice

For your information, please find below a link to the **Main Privacy Notice** webpage and a link to the **Pupil Privacy Notice**

<https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notice/>

<https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf>

Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

ParentPay

These trips are now available for payments to be made on ParentPay:

Gymnastics for Bray Class

Skern Lodge – Residential Year 3&4

Ventrus Job Vacancies

<https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL&t=Ventrus-Careers>

Bratton Fleming School is a NO NUT Zone

Dates for your diary

1 st February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
8 th February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
15 th February 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
21 st to 25 th February 2022	Half Term
1 st March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
7 th to 13 th March 2022	Parent Conference Week
8 th March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
9 th March 2022	Tempest Class Photos
15 th March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
22 nd March 2022	Gymnastics Class Bray
30 th March to 1 st April 2022	Skern Lodge Residential for Yr. 3 & 4 Pupils
7 th April 2022	Easter Service 11:00am in St Peters Church
8 th April 2022	Last Day of Spring Term
11 th April to 22 nd April 2022	Easter Holidays
25 th April 2022	Children return to school
2 nd May 2022	Bank Holiday
27 th May to 3 rd June 2022	Half Term
22 nd July 2022	Last day of Summer Term

PTA News

We will be having an online zoom meeting on Tuesday 2nd February, if anyone is interested in joining our wonderful team of PTA members, it's a time to discuss how past events have gone, how much money has been raised, future fundraising ideas and most importantly the best way to spend the money raised on our school and children. It would be wonderful to see as many people as possible.

We have arranged a Bags 2 school collection for Wednesday 9th March so if you're having a wardrobe clear out, please bag it up (any bag can be used) They accept clothes, shoes, handbags, cuddly toys.

The more we can collect the more it weighs and the more money it raises.

Filled bags can be brought into school and left inside the shelter in the front playground area on the morning of Wednesday 9th March (before 9am please).

Our school lottery has been a great success but ideally we need more supporters so we can hit our 65 ticket sales. There's a guaranteed winner every week. You have to be in it to win it! Please click on the link below and join us in this great fundraiser.

https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/cause-data/046ca73f-e6b2-472e-aadc-c69aa4bdced8/leaflets/f45d5656-d12d-439b-8859-efafb6f3f7b3/ysl_back_to_school_sept2021%20-%20digital.pdf?updated=637612624401200000

👕 Preloved uniform 👕

Has your child outgrown their uniform? Is it still in good condition? If so, please donate it to our school PTA. If you have any Bratton Fleming logo uniform, you feel you are able to donate please bring it to our school office. Preloved uniform is available to buy from Chantal Shapland (PTA chairperson) from £2 per item and helps to raise money for our school. Please don't hesitate to contact her for any items the PTA may have available.

Many thanks for your support.

Bratton Fleming Pre-School

This week at Pre School we have been continuing to learn about birds and winter where we have been focusing on Robins, Blue Tits and Magpies. In the tuff tray we have had playdough, sticks, feathers and bird seeds to create our own nests and birds, some of us enjoyed exploring the seeds with bowls and spoons. We have been making sun catchers to hang in the window and we have been putting bird seeds in the woodlands to attract some birds, where we've been busy using our binoculars that we made to spot the birds eating our seed.

We've had lots of fun making different shapes with the magnets and in the finger gym we have had the tweezers and pieces of wool to build up our fine motor skills and finger dexterity. Outside lots of the children have been getting messy exploring shaving foam, gloop and soapy warm water.

In the Bunnies area our tuff tray has been full of sticks, leaves and pine cones, it was lots of fun exploring different textures. In the cosy area we have had the light box out, it had salt on top so we could use our fingers to make marks, this encourages us to develop our fine motor skills. We have also been to the woodlands this week, where we looked up into the trees to see if we could find any birds and we saw a Robin!! Whilst we were in the woods we also collected leaves and sticks to add to our tuff tray and to also use to collage our owl pictures for our display.