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11th February 2022

A message from Mrs. Denham

We so hope that next week we will have all staff back in school and most of our children. We can't believe how very difficult and extraordinary these last few weeks have been more so than any other weeks in the previous 2 years of COVID. Staff yet again this week have gone the extra mile providing cover and ensuring your children have experienced as normal a week as possible. They have covered extra lessons, playtime and lunchtime duties, cleaning duties and so much more. Your children likewise have been wonderful and embraced working with different adults when needed.

Let's hope next week gets back to some normality.

Arriving at School

In the mornings, the drop off time for children is at 8:50am. Children MUST NOT be dropped off before this time as they are not supervised. Several parents have brought their concerns to our attention. Children who need to arrive at school before this time are very welcome to book into our Breakfast Club. They should not be left alone on the playground.

Can we please also ask that registration and lessons start at 8:50am, so children MUST be in school for this time. We have several children arriving later than this quite regularly and this is very disruptive to the other children and teacher.

Thank you so much for your understanding with this matter.

Help!

We have several items that need taking to the tip. If anyone has a trailer and can offer to help us out, please call the school office. We would be very, very grateful.

School News

WOW DAY

Class Bray and Lyn's WOW will now be on Monday 28th February. Children will be taking part in lots of fun activities throughout the day, including a Bush Tucker Trial and aboriginal art. The Bush Tucker Trial activity will involve food tasting. Foods include - Vegemite, Tim Tams, Anzac biscuits, Scampi fries. If you have any concerns over any of the foods, please contact Mrs Day or Mrs Gosling.

Children can come into school wearing anything to do with Australia being part of the Commonwealth (e.g. The Queen) or anything to do with Australia (e.g. a kangaroo/animal native to Australia).

"**Free science kits** for children self-isolating due to Covid. The kits, called Busy Bag Science, intend to keep youngsters busy and engaged in science whilst they are at home. Kits contain the resources & instructions for 4 experiments plus 3 colouring pages. They can be ordered from the Sciencedipity's website below and are posted 1st class to your home address:

<https://sciencedipity.co.uk/free-busy-bag-science-kits-for-torridge-north-devon/>

The project runs for 4 weeks to mid-March, and kits can be ordered for free any time during this period while stocks last."

Head Lice

We have had cases of headlice reported. Please can you check your child's hair and treat if necessary.

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.

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-notices/>

<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

15th February 2022

21st to 25th February 2022

28th February 2022

1st March 2022

7th to 13th March 2022

8th March 2022

9th March 2022

15th March 2022

22nd March 2022

30th March to 1st April 2022

7th April 2022

8th April 2022

11th April to 22nd April 2022

25th April 2022

2nd May 2022

27th May to 3rd June 2022

22nd July 2022

Gymnastics Class Bray

Half Term

Class Bray and Lyn Wow Day

Gymnastics Class Bray

Parent Conference Week

Gymnastics Class Bray

Tempest Class Photos

Gymnastics Class Bray

Gymnastics Class Bray

Skern Lodge Residential for Yr. 3 & 4 Pupils

Easter Service 11:00am in St Peters Church

Last Day of Spring Term

Easter Holidays

Children return to school

Bank Holiday

Half Term

Last day of Summer Term

PTA News

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.