Newsletter





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<u>A message from Mrs. Denham</u> <u>School News</u>

I hope you all had a lovely half term and enjoyed being with family and friends.

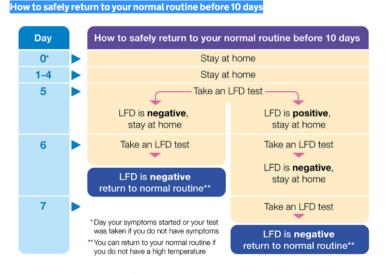
I would like to remind you that Parent Conferences will take place next week for each class. If you have not already done so, please book your time slot as soon as possible on Teams. As we are half way through the school year, this is an excellent opportunity to discuss how your child is progressing in school.

Yesterday, it was wonderful to see the children enjoy themselves celebrating World Book Day. Thank you to all the teachers and staff for organising such a special day. We would all like to thank the PTA for purchasing 'Incredible Story Interactive Digital Theatre Play' for the children, which they will be watching to bring a love of reading alive!

Sadly, we would like to make you aware that yet again we are having cases of Covid reported in school by both staff and pupils. Please follow the guidance below.

It appears that one of the main symptoms of Omicron is sickness and diarrhoea.

- You would only do a LFT if you or your child have symptoms
- If you feel ill and have Covid symptoms, at the moment, you can still go and get at PCR test.
- If a child has symptoms and or is positive they must not attend school.
- If they are positive they are to follow this grid below.
- (If your day 5 LFD test result is positive, you can continue taking LFD tests until you receive 2 consecutive negative test results).



We would like to remind parents to inform us of any change to your child's normal pick up arrangements. Sometimes we are told by children who they are going home with and we have not always been notified by their parents.

School News

This week we have found a number of children wearing smart watches to school. Smart watches are camera, video and voice recorder enabled and therefore pose the same concerns as mobile phones in terms of safeguarding. We have a number of children within the school that are not allowed their images to be used as this could cause a safeguarding threat to them. We request that no child brings in any sort of device that can record images or videos of others. Students are allowed to wear analogue watches only.

Primary Times Magazine

As you will be aware, over the past couple of years our schools have been providing more and more documents and communications to parents via email. Feedback received confirms that this enables the vast majority of parents to access information immediately, and it also reduces the quantity of paper and photocopying needed in schools. We have now come to the decision, as a group of schools, to stop receiving printed copies of the Primary Times Magazine, and this means it will no longer be available in our schools. If you feel you would like to continue reading the magazine, you can find an electronic version on their website, by following the link below. Family activities and events for primary school children | Primary Times

Comic Relief UK House Group Day

On Wednesday 16th March, as in previous years, we will be having a creative house group day in aid of Comic Relief. The children will be taking part in a range of physical activities including a Comic Relief Mile around the field. Children may come into school dressed as their famous sportsperson if they wish along with £1. Red noses will also be on sale for £1.50 on the day. YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO BE IN SUITABLE CLOTHES FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND WILL NEED PLENTY TO DRINK.

Year 3 & 4 Skern Lodge Residential Parents Meeting

On Wednesday 16th March at 3.30pm, in Class Taw, there will be a meeting to provide further information about the forthcoming trip and to provide an opportunity for parents to ask any questions. If you cannot attend, please do not worry, all information will be sent out electronically.

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 <u>and</u> a link to the **Pupil Privacy Notice**

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

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

7th to 11th 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 Parent Conference Week Gymnastics Class Bray Tempest Class Photos Bags2School 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 next 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/f45d5656d12d-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.

Community News

The Thursday Café

Every Thursday afternoon from 2-4.30pm the Village Hall will open as a Café, serving hot drinks, cakes, biscuits and other bakes. If you wish to host one or more of our Thursday Cafés, either as a fundraising opportunity for a Charity of your choice or to promote your business, please get in touch with Frances Mortlock on 07751 454906 or visit <u>www.BFVH.uk</u> for more details.

