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## **Message from Mrs Denham**

We hope you all had a wonderful half term and enjoyed all your Jubilee celebrations. Thank you so much to the families who were able to join us at Jubilee event on the playground. The children very much enjoyed sharing their play with you.

I am writing to inform you of some staff changes for September 2022. We are very sad to lose 3 very valuable and dedicated teachers but we are also very happy for them as they move onto exciting pastures new. Mrs Gosling and Mrs Austen who job share in Class Lyn and Miss Shapland in Class Taw will be leaving at the end of term. We have appointed 2 new lovely teachers and the children will be able to meet them in the coming weeks.

Messages from the three teachers:

### **Mrs Gosling**

Hello everyone, I just wanted to let you all know that I will be leaving Bratton Fleming School at the end of this academic year. Having taught many year groups for twenty years at Bratton I thought it was time for a new challenge! I will be taking with me so many wonderful memories of staff and pupils past and present. As well as, quite literally, millions of memories of residentials, Christmas pantos, year six leavers' assemblies, sporting events, trips, and visits which for me, will always be my most memorable moments.

### **Mrs Austen**

It's been a very tough decision, but I've decided to take a break from a class teacher role in order to be able to focus more of my time on my family. Whilst incredibly rewarding and fulfilling, being a part-time class teacher demands far more than simply teaching and planning hours and my current family circumstances are such that my own children need more of me! I would very much love to remain a part of the wonderful Bratton School community and hope to continue teaching in one form or another. Of course, I also live just outside Bratton and so will still be part of the wider community and will enjoy saying hello and catching up with the children whenever I see them in the village! I have absolutely loved my time at Bratton Fleming school and, as I say, will be very sorry to leave, but will treasure the memories I take with me. And, hopefully, it's farewell, not goodbye!

### **Miss Shapland**

I am sad to announce that at the end of this term, I will be leaving Bratton Fleming to embark on a new venture. Having enjoyed attending university in Cheltenham, I will be moving back to the area this summer – ready to begin at a new school, teaching in Year 6. Although I am excited for a new chapter to begin, I have loved being a part of Bratton and have really enjoyed teaching Class Taw for the past two years!



We thank all three teachers so very much for all they have done during their time at Bratton, but especially Mrs Gosling who has been at the school for 20 years. We are looking forward to enjoying these next 6 weeks with them before the end of term.

Please find below a link to a parent/carer survey. We appreciate your views and would be grateful if you could take the time to respond. This survey is anonymous and is open until Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July.

<https://forms.office.com/r/Cns9DXn99s>

### **Saunton Sands**

We are thrilled that we can once again plan our annual trip to Saunton Sands this year with our partner school Bratton Fleming. We have not been able to go on this beach trip for the last 2 years due to COVID so children and staff are really looking forward to this fantastic day. We will send out a letter with more details shortly but we wanted to be able to share the good news with you asap. We aim to go on Wednesday July 13<sup>th</sup>. Our wonderful PTA have offered to help subsidise the trip and pay half the costs of the coaches. Therefore, we are pleased to say the trip will work out at £3.50 per child, with an ice lolly included in the cost. We are looking forward to a day of digging sand castles, sunshine, games and fun.

## **School News**

Well done to all the children who represented Bratton Fleming at the Olympic Legacy Running Festival at Park School this afternoon. 🏃 🏃

The annual event which has been running since London 2012 was attended by 15 other Barnstaple primary schools. The children did themselves proud and came a fantastic 4th place! 🙌

### **Urgent Year 6**

For those children who are transferring to Pilton Community College in September, if you have not already done so, as a matter of urgency, please can you complete the consent form for the intake days using the link below. Students will not be able to attend the Saunton Beach activity day unless the college receive the form. Also on the form is a section on dietary choices for lunch on the day which takes place in school.

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3RWFZvuneEGMNLPLFLdk\\_cOxSwq\\_4UoBNoyUBhV9DxBRUOFBFDVJYNUpENFQ3VUJRWTBQTjkONTU5Sy4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3RWFZvuneEGMNLPLFLdk_cOxSwq_4UoBNoyUBhV9DxBRUOFBFDVJYNUpENFQ3VUJRWTBQTjkONTU5Sy4u)

### **Year 6 Leaver's Assembly**

All parents and carers of our Year 6 pupils are invited to attend the 'Leaver's Assembly' which will be held in school, on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 2:00pm.

### **Year 6 - Pilton Transition Dates**

Pilton will be holding transition days on the following dates:

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

### **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**

All items, including school meals, breakfast club and after-school club should be paid for in advance. None of these accounts should have a debt balance. As we are approaching the end of our Financial Year it is important that all debts are cleared. If this applies to you can we please ask that you clear these debts as soon as possible and keep further payments up to date.

The following trips are now available or will be available shortly for payment and consent to be made:

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

Gymnastics for Lyn & Torridge

Year 2 Tennis Festival

Olympic Legacy

Wilcombe Wobbler

London Residential 2022

Saunton Sands 2022

### **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**

15<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
20<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
30<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
1<sup>st</sup> July 2022  
7<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
8<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
13<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
20<sup>th</sup> July 2022  
21<sup>st</sup> July 2022  
22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

Yr 5 & 6 Tag Rugby at Park School  
Vision Screening for Reception children  
Yr 6 Pilton Transition Day  
Yr 5 Cricket Festival at Barnstaple Cricket Club  
Yr 6 Pilton Transition Day  
Yr 3, 4, 5, 6, Torrington Aquathlon  
Sports Day  
Yr 6 Athletics at PCC  
Saunton Sands trip  
N.D. Football Finals  
Year 6 Leaver's Assembly 2:00pm  
Last day of Summer Term

### **Community News**

#### **Barnstaple Library**

Attached to this newsletter is a poster and some information regarding Summer events with the Barnstaple Library. Also below is a link to the Reading Agency Summer Reading Challenge website.

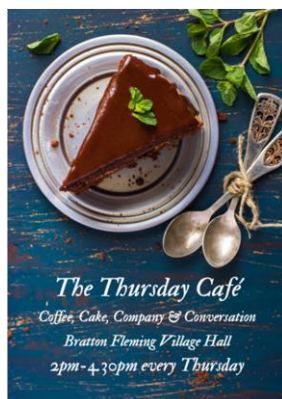
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/news/general/gadgeteers-intro>

**SEND training for parents and carers**

**<https://www.devon.gov.uk/eys/send-training-for-parents-and-carers>**

**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 [www.BFVH.uk](http://www.BFVH.uk) for more details.



**Ryepark Farm Fundraiser**

Please see attached a flyer providing information about the Ryepark Farm Fundraiser for Devon Air Ambulance. If you would like further information, please contact James Pitkeathly on 07812474030.