



Bratton Primary School Newsletter

Learn - Have Fun - Thrive

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone has had a wonderful Summer. It has been lovely to welcome back our Bratton children and families this week and to see the children so settled into their routines and learning so quickly. There has been a super buzz around the school as the children have been reuniting with their friends. A big well done to our new Zebra class who have started their school journey with us and have already shown super learning and friendship skills. What superstars!



Meet the Teacher

Next week each class will hold a Meet the Teacher meeting. These will be held in your child's classroom and set out expectations and information for the coming year. This meeting is also where you as parents and carers can ask questions. Please don't worry if you can't make the date set for your child/ren's class. PowerPoints will be shared on the class webpages so you all have access to the information. We look forward to seeing you and welcome you to also take a peek in our new library!

Healthy Snacks

Please can we remind you that snacks for break time should be healthy options including fruit, vegetables, cheese and crackers etc but no crisps, chocolate or sweets. Thank you for your support with this.

Sunny Weather

We have had beautiful weather this week and the forecast looks to continue with some cooler but sunny days in the weeks ahead. Please could children continue to wear suncream (applied before school) on hot days and bring a named water bottle and sunhat to school for use outside.



8th September 2023

Diary Dates

- 11.9.23 Mon**—Gazelle Class meet the teacher 3:30-4pm
- 12.9.23 Tues**—Giraffe Class meet the teacher 3:30-4pm
- 13.9.23 Wed**—Leopard Class meet the teacher 3:30-4pm
- 14.9.23 Thurs** - Antelope Class meet the teacher 3:30-4pm
- 14.9.23 Thurs** - Individual photos Zebra, Giraffe and Antelope Class
- 15.9.23 Fri**—Meerkat Class meet the teacher 3:30-4pm
- 14.9.23 Fri** - Individual photos Gazelle, Leopard and Meerkat Class
- 18.9.23 Mon** - Maths workshop for KS2 parents (Leopard, Antelope, Meerkat)
- 20.9.23 Wed** - EYFS Phonics workshop for Zebra Class parents

Volunteers!

We would really appreciate any time you are able to spare to help us in school. Jobs can range from hearing children read, supporting with classroom preparation, helping to organise the library, attending school trips, gardening, DIY and practical help and lots more! If you feel that you may be able to offer some time please come and speak to the school office so as we can organise your DBS checks. Thank you.



Clubs and Enrichment

After school clubs will commence from Monday 18th September. Information of the clubs available have been sent out this week and confirmation of your child's place in the clubs they have selected will be sent home by Friday 15th September. There are a range of staff run clubs and clubs from external partners to choose from.



PE Uniform

Please ensure that your child attends school in the correct PE uniform on their PE days. This is a house colour t-shirt, plain black or dark coloured shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings, plain black or dark coloured hoody or sweatshirt with no logos and trainers.

PE days are as follows:

Zebra Class (EYFS) - Monday and Thursday
Gazelle Class (Year 1) - Tuesday and Thursday
Giraffe Class (Year 2) - Tuesday and Wednesday
Leopard Class (Year 3/4) - Monday and Wednesday
Antelope Class (Year 4/5) - Monday and Friday
Meerkat Class (Year 6) - Thursday and Friday



Homework

Thank you to everyone who completed the homework questionnaire at the end of last term. We have consulted with parent views and also other local schools to make decisions on our homework policy and expectation going forward. Home work expectations will include regular reading at home, timetable practice on times table rockstars, and 6 optional homework tasks linking to the children's wider learning in school. There will no longer be a weekly maths and English homework sent home in key stage 2 or weekly spellings. Your child will be assessed on the spelling they are expected to be able to spell at the end of their year group 'common exception words'. This list will be sent home so as you know which spellings they needs to practice throughout the year. The children will be retested on these words 3 time per year (once per full term) and an updated list will be sent home. Any year group specific guidance on homework expectations will be shared with you at the meet the teacher events next week.

Maths and Phonics Parent Information Workshops

We would like to invite parents to attend some information workshops early this term to have a better understanding of how Maths and phonics are taught in school and give you ideas for how you can help at home. These workshops will take place straight after school and we will arrange for school age children to be supervised whilst you attend.

18.9.23 Monday - Maths workshop for KS2 parents (Leopard, Antelope, Meerkat)

20.9.23 Wednesday - EYFS Phonics workshop for Zebra Class parents

25.9.23 Monday - Maths workshop for KS1 parents (Gazelle and Giraffe)

27.9.23 Wednesday - EYFS Maths workshop for Zebra Class parents

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to the amazing staff team who have worked so hard to get the school ready for the new year. There is a great team spirit in school and I know that we are going to have a brilliant year.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Mrs Williams





Key dates for the Autumn Term 2023

1/9/2023	TD day
4/9/2023	TD day
5/9/2023	All children return to school
8/9/2023	Swimming lessons start (22/23 Leopard Class)
11/9/2023	Meet the teacher Gazelle Class 3:30 – 4pm
12/9/2023	Meet the teacher Giraffe Class 3:30 – 4pm
13/9/2023	Meet the teacher Leopard Class 3:30 – 4pm
14/9/2023	Individual photographs Zebra, Giraffe and Antelope Class
14/9/2023	Meet the teacher Antelope Class 3:30 – 4pm
15/9/2023	Individual photographs Gazelle, Leopard and Meerkat Class
15/9/2023	Meet the teacher Meerkat Class 3:30 – 4pm
18/9/2023	KS2 Maths meeting for parents 3:30 – 4:15pm
20/9/2023	EYFS Phonics meeting for parents 3:30 – 4:15pm
25/9/2023	KS1 Maths meeting for parents 3:30 – 4:15pm
27/9/2023	EYFS Maths meeting for parents 3:30 – 4:15pm
4/10 – 6/10	Meerkat residential to Hooke Court
6/10/2023	Flu immunisations
6/10/2023	Zebra Class Family Friday 2:45pm
10/10/2023	Parents evening 3:30 – 7pm
12/10/2023	Harvest Festival Celebration 9am tbc
12/10/2023	Parents evening 3:30 – 5pm
18/10/2023	FOBS non-uniform day
29/10/2023	HALF TERM
30/10/2023	Back to school
2/11/2023	Outdoor classroom day
3/11/2023	Zebra Class Family Friday 2:45pm
3/11/2023	FOBS Glow in the dark disco
10/11/2023	Remembrance Service tbc
13/11/2023	Odd socks day
13/11 – 17/11	Anti-bullying week
16/11/2023	FOBS Christmas shopping night at Jubilee Hall
17/11/2023	Children in Need
1/12/2023	Zebra Class Family Friday 2:45pm
13/12/2023	KS1 Nativity performance 1:45pm
14/12/2023	KS1 Nativity performance 9:30am
14/12/2023	Christmas stories with Mrs Williams 5 – 6pm
15/12/2023	FOBS Non-Uniform day
18/12/2023	KS2 Edington Priory Christmas Performance (tbc)
19/12/2023	Christmas party day
20/12/2023	Christmas jumper and Christmas dinner day
21/12/2023	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY



Christmas Wreath Making Evening

Hosted by The Flower Hive

Sunday 26th November

7pm~9pm

£45 a person



Includes All materials, foliage, decorations & ribbons, plus welcome drink.

At Bratton Church Institute

To book a space email fobs@bratton.wilts.sch.uk
£20 Deposit is required to reserve your space



**FREE
ENTRY**

Annual Festive Shopping

**16TH
NOV**

Night

**6PM
TIL
9PM**

LOCAL INDEPENDENT STALLS

FESTIVE DRINKS

MINCE PIES

RAFFLE PRIZES

JUBILEE HALL, MELBOURNE STREET, BRATTON BA13 4RN

fobs@bratton.wilts.sch.uk

  **New season, new player opportunities**  

WESTBURY YOUTH

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GIRLS FOOTBALL AGES 5+

GIRLS FOOTBALL



We are excited to be able to offer girls football.

If your daughter is interested please contact us using the email below.

Training Wednesdays @ Redland Lane

For more information contact Zoe on
treasurer@westburyyouth.co.uk

