



Bratton Primary School Newsletter

Learn - Have Fun - Thrive

7th October 2023

Diary Dates

- 9.10.23 Mon** - Governor Monitoring Week
- 10.10.23 Tues** - Parents Evening 3:30 - 7pm
- 12.10.23 Thurs** - Harvest Festival 9am in the school hall
- 12.10.23 Thurs** - Parents Evening 3:30 - 5pm
- 13.10.23 Fri** - FOBS Non-Uniform Day and Movie Night
- 18.10.23 Wed** - Last day of term 1
- 30.10.23 Mon** - First day of term 2
- 2.11.23 Thurs** - Outdoor Classroom Day 2023
- 3.11.23 Fri** - Zebra Family Friday
- 3.11.23 Fri** - FOBS Glow in the Dark Disco

Whole School Attendance Figure

94.8%



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a busy week with visitors from the local authority on Tuesday to help us continue our school improvement journey. During the visit we joined all the classes and it was a joy to share our wonderful school and amazing pupils engaged in their learning with our visitors.



Our Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time on their residential to Hooke Court this week. They participated in a range of outdoor adventures which required strong friendships, team work and resilience. Thank you to Mrs Gurr, Ms Bridewell and Mrs Midgely for joining the children for this trip and making it a memorable 3 days for everyone.

Parents Evenings

Teaching staff are looking forward to meeting with you during parents evening next week. Children are able to come into school if you do not have childcare in place, however must remain outside the classroom for parents to meet with teachers. Please bring something quiet along to keep them entertained whilst you speak with the class teacher. For example an iPad, reading book or colouring book (no mobile phones).

Harvest Festival

We look forward to celebrating Harvest with you on Thursday 12th October. Each class has been busy preparing their part for the assembly and we look forward to sharing this with you. Please come to the front entrance after dropping your child to their classroom door and make a line by the front door. We will open the doors once all the children are in place. We would love any contributions for the local food bank including tins, packets, pasta, cereal, biscuits, squash, crisps etc. These can be sent in with the children on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th October. Thank you for your support.



Attendance

The high focus on pupil attendance continues to be a priority. Bratton Primary School attendance policy can be found on the school website which follows the Wiltshire model policy. As a school we will be conducting regular meetings with our Educational Welfare Officer to monitor attendance and parents may be called into attendance meetings when attendance drops below 90%. All pupils are expected to aim for attendance of 96% or better. To keep you up to date on how we are doing as a school we will continue to publish the whole school attendance figure in each newsletter.

0 days off school in a year 0 lessons missed	100%	Perfect attendance
2 days off school in a year 10 lessons missed	99%	Excellent attendance
5 days off school in a year 25 lessons missed	97%	Good attendance
10 days off school in a year 50 lessons missed	95%	Slightly below average attendance
14 days off school in a year 70 lessons missed	93%	Poor attendance
20 days off school in a year 100 lessons missed	90%	Very poor attendance

Penalty notices may be issued from Wiltshire Council where children have unauthorised absence, this includes holiday during term time. A penalty notice is an alternative to you being taken to court by the local authority. If your child has 10 or more sessions of unauthorised absence, the school will inform our Education Welfare Service who may issue a penalty notice for each child to each parent. Anyone who has day to day care of a child is considered a 'parent' and legally responsible for making sure the child attends school, this could be a step parent or a parent not living at the child's home address.

The penalty is £120 per child per parent if paid within 28 days. The penalty is reduced to £60 per child per parent if paid within the first 21 days. If you do not pay the fine within 28 days Wiltshire Council have no option but to prosecute you in the Magistrates' Court. This could lead to a fine of up to £,1000 per parent per child.

Outdoor Classroom Day 2023



After the success of last year we will be fully embracing Outdoor Classroom Day once again! The day will take place on Thursday 2nd November 2023 and everyone will need to wear warm comfortable clothing, wellies and waterproofs. We recommend that children also bring a dry change of clothes as last year we had both sunshine and showers. The children will have a wonderful time exploring the outdoors and participating in a range of outdoor activities including natural art work, team building skills, obstacle courses, bug hunts and getting creative whilst they think about how to reduce, reuse and recycle. See if you can once again find Bratton Primary School on the official outdoor classroom day map!

Website

Our new website is now live and has been for a few weeks. You can find it at <https://bratton.wilts.sch.uk>. We are currently in the process of updating all the information so please bare with us whilst we do this. The class pages have links to the welcome meetings, homework grids and curriculum information from this term and we will continue to update these throughout the year. Newsletters can also be found on the website if you need to check anything. If there is anything you feel would be really useful please do let us know via an email to admin@bratton.wilts.sch.uk.

Finally, it is time to say good luck to Mrs Luke as she leaves us to begin her maternity leave. Mrs Luke's last day will be Monday 9th October and we will keep you posted of the new arrival due later in October.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Williams



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Uniform Day

FRIDAY

13 October 2023

£1 Donation



FOBS
Friends of Bratton School



Glow in the Dark Disco



3rd November

4pm to 5pm

Zebra

Gazelle

Giraffe

5.15pm to 6.15pm

Leopard

Antelope

Meerkat

£3 a child Entry

**Includes: glow stick, drink &
crisps**

Plus Bring a £1 for Sweet cone

Tickets on sale from the office from
Monday 30th Oct
or on the door on the night

**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



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

