



Britannia Community Primary School

REMINDER

DON'T FORGET TO BOOK YOUR PARENT CONFERENCING SESSION. YEAR 6B WILL BE RE-ARRANGED – DATE TO BE CONFIRMED.

Important dates:

22nd March – virtual parent conferencing.

26th March- School breaks up for Easter at 3.25pm.

12th April- School reopens

Important contacts:

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Dear Parents,

It has been wonderful a wonderful week in school this week. The usual buzz and atmosphere around learning in school in is back and the children certainly are trying hard with their learning. It has been lovely to see the children all smiling this week and in my assembly this morning each class spoke about all the learning they had enjoyed this week. Year 1 even told me about their visit to London yesterday and all about the famous landmarks they had seen when they stepped through the magic mirror in class.

Thank you once more for continuing to support us with our arrival and dismissal arrangements and the weather has made this process a little easier for us all this week.

Until the situation around the Covid pandemic settles down, we can still expect that there will still be class closures and subsequent isolations to deal with. We have indeed experienced bubble closures this week in school and the children have made a seamless transition to home learning once more using Google Classroom. It never ceases to amaze me with how resilient the children are and supportive our school community are. If this happens to your child's class, please support us by ensuring your child does isolate for the required amount of time and that they access the live teaching during any isolation period.

A colleague of mine mentioned to me this week that almost a year ago was our last normal week and it has most certainly been a journey for us all during the past year. We have all been on a learning curve and sometimes it is good to stop and reflect on all we are truly thankful for. I know this is something I have done more of lately in my own life. It is also important to know that school is here to support you and if you need anything at all please just ask. I hope the weather stays fine for us all this weekend and that you have a lovely restful weekend.

Mrs Longstaff

COMIC RELIEF

Thank you for your donations towards comic relief today.

It has been lovely seeing the children with painted red noses and red items of clothing.

If you have not donated yet there is still time to complete the donation on Parent Pay.

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Ask Your Child About Their Learning

Reception have been learning all about where they live and describing their houses and the area around us. Can you help your child learn their own address?



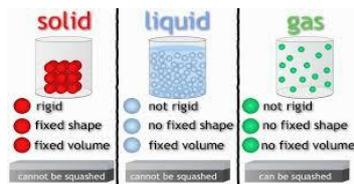
Year 1 have been learning about the countries in the UK and the capital cities. They have visited London through the magic mirror and have named famous landmarks in London. They then wrote postcards home from their visit.



Year 2 have been experimenting with using wool and cotton for different effects in art such as creating twists, knots and plaits. Ask them to show you their new skills.



Year 3 have been learning about the bones in the body in science. I wonder if they can share what they have found out with you at home? Can they learn the names of three bones they don't know and tell Mrs Longstaff next week?



Year 4 have been learning all about solids, liquids and gases. Ask them what the differences are and see if they can tell you. They have also been looking at packaging and biscuits in DT. They will be making their own biscuits soon.



Year 5 have been reading science-fiction stories at school. Talk to your child about your favourite science fiction stories and if you have one you could even share one together this weekend.



Year 6H have completed their DT projects and have been using a variety of woodwork equipment. They have some amazing skills now and I am sure they will come in very handy in the future.



Year 6B have been learning virtually this week and have worked hard to create their new characters for the Wizard of Oz in English. I am really looking forward to reading their writing in the coming weeks.

Polite reminders:

If your child, or anyone in your household, starts to display any of the symptoms, they must go for a Covid test. Whilst waiting for the results, your household must all self-isolate. Please inform school immediately if this happens by emailing head@britannia.lancs.sch.uk. If your child tests positive for COVID please let the school know even if they do not attend. **Please do not send your child to school if they have any COVID symptoms.**

If a bubble has to close, all children in that bubble must isolate for the required time period. I would urge all members of our school community to continue to follow the rules and guidance set out during this lockdown. We all need to continue to do our bit to ensure we can hopefully welcome all the children back into school sooner rather than later.



ACTION CALENDAR: MINDFUL MARCH 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness	2 Notice five things that are beautiful in the world outside	3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive	4 Notice how you speak to yourself. Try to use kind words.	5 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day.	6 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them.	7 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels.
8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture & smell of your food.	9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others.	10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face.	11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee.	12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying.	13 Pause to just watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today.	14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that need doing.
15 Stop, breathe and just notice. Repeat regularly during the day.	16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity.	17 Look around and spot 3 things you find unusual or pleasant.	18 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down.	19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today.	20 Celebrate the International Day of Happiness (dayofhappiness.net)	21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else.
22 Walk a different route today and see what you notice.	23 Tune in to your feelings, without judging or trying to change.	24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do.	25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted.	26 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible.	27 Have a device-free day and enjoy the space it offers.	28 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are.
29 Notice what is working today and be thankful that this is so.	30 Mentally scan down your body and notice what it is feeling.	31 Notice the joy to be found in the simple things of life.	"Mindfulness means that we commit fully in each moment to be present" - Jon Kabat-Zinn			

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EASTER EGG CHALLENGE

I AM SETTING THE CHILDREN A CHALLENGE TO COMPLETE AT HOME FOR EASTER AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES FOR EYFS, KS1 AND KS2. JOIN IN THE EASTER FUN AT HOME.

THE CHALLENGE IS TO CREATE A DECORATED EGG OR EASTER BONNET AT HOME. THIS IS A CHANCE FOR THE CHILDREN TO GET CREATIVE AND HAVE SOME FUN DOING IT. ONCE THIS IS COMPLETE EMAIL YOUR PICTURES TO MRS LONGSTAFF AT head@britannia.lancs.sch.uk AND THEY WILL BE JUDGED. ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY NO LATER THAN 9AM ON FRIDAY 26th MARCH.

