



# Britannia Community Primary School

## Warm Weather

As we are coming into the warmer weather, please ensure that your child has suncream on before they come to school and a hat if necessary.

## Important dates:

3<sup>rd</sup> May – May Day

6<sup>th</sup> May – Inset Day

7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 – School Photographs

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Dear Parents,

What a beautiful week it has been for us all in school! The children have really enjoyed playing on the field and having more space to play this week. Let's hope that it continues over the weekend and over the coming months.

The impact of the past twelve months on society including our children due to COVID 19 has left many people in the community struggling with their emotional wellbeing. As this is something we have also recognised in school, we have decided to use some of the funding from the government to employ a councillor for a day a week throughout the summer term to support our community to rebuild. The councillor will be in school every Tuesday and there is some additional information further on in the newsletter. Children must be referred into the councillor by the school and children may self-refer using our special box in school. We are also hopeful that the councillor will be able to support staff and parents as we move towards recovery from the pandemic. We are sure over the coming months we will all find ourselves facing new challenges and are hopeful that the addition of the councillor will add an extra layer of emotional support to the children and families of Britannia. If you have any concerns or questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

On each newsletter there is a summary of something the children have been learning about in school. We have included a key talk point to discuss with your children at home and to provide you with a snippet of learning from every class. It is a well-known fact that children retain more learning if they are able to share learning with others and extend their research at home.

Thank you for your continued support - let's hope the sun continues to shine this weekend for us all!

Mrs Longstaff

## Reading

**It has been noted by staff in school that children are not reading at home. This is something that we are monitoring in school and will be following up. Please ensure that you are reading every day with your child and that you record this in the reading record. Thank you for assisting us with this.**



# Learning at Britannia- Chat To Your Child



## Reception

This week Reception have been measuring height. Can they put their family at home in order from smallest to tallest? Reinforce the language taller, smaller, tallest and smallest.



## Year 1

Year 1 have met ZOG today. Can your child tell you about Zog at home? Can they describe what he looks like?



## Year 2

Year 2 have been enjoying looking at local history. Can they find out one interesting fact about Bacup?



## Year 3

Year 3 are starting a topic all about the Romans this half term. What would it have been like to be a Roman? Can they research one interesting fact to share in school next week?



## Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about Sikhism. Can they tell you anything they have discovered?



## Year 5

Year 5 have started their topic on the rainforest. Can they find out about the rainforest and the location of rainforests around the world? Do they notice anything about their location?



## Year 6B

This week Year 6B are writing stories with flashbacks. Can they research some facts about the Titanic to help them with their stories?



## Year 6H

Year 6H have been writing their own chapter of Mary Poppins. Can they tell you about their story and how it is different from the original?

## 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](mailto: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.



### Meet Vikki Williamson our new school councillor.

My name is Vikki, I am a qualified counsellor and I work for Newstart. I am really looking forward to working in partnership with Britannia Primary school, offering support to pupils to equip them with the essential skills to understand their feelings and emotions and help them to maintain positive mental health.

This can be by simply giving them a safe space to talk or can involve, for some children, activities which encourages them to express and work through any worries or concerns they may have. In the near future, I will also be offering parent support, offering both therapeutic and practical support and looking at building positive relationships with families.

## Uniform

Following a period of time where uniform rules have been relaxed, we are now asking that children are dressed in the appropriate uniform and shoes during the day. On PE days, trainers may be worn with either a green PE t-shirt or a white plain PE t-shirt and dark tracksuit bottoms or shorts. Children must wear their school jumpers on these days and not a hoodie. **Football kits are not permitted.** Trainers must not be worn on uniform days and children must be dressed in the correct uniform. It is important that we have your support in ensuring that the school expectations are maintained. Should you have any difficulties with following the uniform policy then please do not hesitate to contact school for further assistance with this.