



# Britannia Community Primary School

## Health Week

Children can attend school in PE kits all week and must have a water bottle with them each day.

## Important dates:

23<sup>rd</sup> – Skipping Workshop

24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> – Year 1

Bikeability

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Dear Parents,

This week has flown by again and we seem to be hurtling towards the end of this academic year. As I am sure you will be aware, school have been provided with further information from the DFE regarding the end of year events and transition to new year groups and new schools. Unfortunately, it appears that once again, the children will have a different transition experience from the one originally planned and school are working hard to ensure that children still experience some of the usual end of year events in school in a COVID safe way. Sports day this year will be done in class bubbles during health week and the Year 6 performance this year will be a leaver's performance which will be professionally filmed and shared with families. Again, we realise that this may be disappointing for families but it is essential that we keep our community safe and protected from further risk.

Many high schools have made the difficult decisions to cancel their Year 6 transition days and due to this we will be providing further transition work for the children to complete within their classes at Britannia. We are currently in the process of reviewing our own Reception transition and year group transition to ensure that all risk assessments reduce any risk for all people involved.

This week the children have been working very hard in school and I would really appreciate your support in ensuring that children are reading again at home. It is essential that the children are supported in their reading across the school and that this is communicated through the school reading record to the class teacher. The Year 6 children have done a great job keeping going this week after their Robinwood adventure and I hope that this weekend they manage to get a few earlier nights. I know for definite that I will be catching up on sleep this weekend!

Over the next 4 weeks, school will be very busy and I know the staff and classes are looking forward to taking part in the activities for health week. Thank you in anticipation of your support with our charity events – many charities have really struggled during the pandemic and every little does help.

I wish you all a happy weekend full of family time, laughter and perhaps even a bit of football! Let's hope everyone is still smiling after the next match!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Longstaff



## Stars of The Week

R- Archie and Lexie-Mae

Y1- Ted

Y2-Lilly-Rose and Oscar

Y3- Kara

Y4-Harrison

Y5- Reece and Elita

Y6H-Troy

Y6B- Pippa



# **Learning at Britannia- Chat To Your Child**

## **Reception**

Reception have been talking about the things that make them happy. Talk to your child about the ways that people show they are happy.

## **Year 1**

Year 1 have been learning about the Christianity and the importance of the church. Can you look at pictures of the inside of churches with your child and spot churches in Bacup?

## **Year 2**

Year 2 have been sewing and learning to use different stitches. Help your child continue to develop their new skills at home – can they teach you a stitch?

## **Year 3**

Year 3 have been learning all about plants. Can they tell you the things a plant needs to grow and survive?

## **Year 4**

Year 4 have been busy learning to ride their bikes. A huge congratulations to Elijah and Lola for mastering a new skill. We are very proud of you !

## **Year 5**

Year 5 have been learning all about Roman Numerals. Can your child show teach you anything new? Can they come up with a challenge for their friends at school.

## **Year 6B**

The children have been learning about the Mayans and how they discovered chocolate. Can your child share their learning with you and describe the process of making chocolate?

## **Year 6H**

Year 6H have been learning about forgiveness in R.E. Can your child explain the importance of forgiveness in their everyday life?

## **Year 5 and 6 Puberty Talk**

Year 5 and 6 children have shown a mature attitude towards all aspects of the puberty talk. They showed a great respect for each other and asked some thoughtful questions. We have encouraged children to talk to you about their learning.

## **Year 6 trip to Robinwood**

The children had a wonderful time at Robinwood at weekend and it was lovely to see the children learning different skills. They overcame fears, made their own beds and encouraged each other throughout the weekend. It was a pleasure spending time with them and I am very pleased that we were able to support this visit for the children. I hope they will have many happy memories of this visit that will last a lifetime. Thank you to all parents for your support of this trip.

## **Year 5 Robinwood Trip**

Very soon the Year 5 children will be receiving letters regarding their Robinwood trip. Please ensure that you reply promptly to any correspondence so that we are able to facilitate next year's trip.

### Health Week

**Don't forget that next week is health week and children can come to school in their PE kits each day as they will be experiencing a number of different sporting events in school.** During this week, children will take part in the daily mile, skipping workshops, visits from an Olympic athlete and sponsored circuit, mini class sports day and the Football Development Programme will hold workshops. Children must be dressed appropriately for the weather as they will be outside wherever possible. If the weather is too wet some events will be re-arranged for the children and we will notify you of this.

### Race for Life

At the end of next week (weather dependent), we will be holding a school Race for Life event to raise money for Cancer Research. As you will know, charities have struggled to generate income due to the pandemic and this charity is something that is very close to many of us. Your child will come home on Monday with further information regarding this and ways in which you can support this worthwhile charity event.



## PE Kits for September

Throughout the last twelve months, children have been able to attend school on PE days wearing PE kits. This is something that both the children and staff would like to continue moving forward. All the children surveyed have voiced this strongly in pupil interviews. There are a number of benefits for the children which include increased time being active (the whole PE time is able to be used for curriculum which is something that the children need post lockdown), no difficulties with changing (we do not have adequate changing facilities to maintain privacy particularly for the children in KS2), less clutter in the school cloakrooms and reduced lost property. There has been no detrimental impact upon the children's learning in school. A survey will be sent out on School Spider next week to consult with parents and gather thoughts and ideas.