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Every Child Every Day

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Bramley Vale Primary,

Busy is, as busy does

We are in and on! Lessons and learning are motoring! Mr Grafton has introduced a new morning activity in Classes 3 to 6 – Flash Back 4 (a maths review). Those children arriving late are needing to catch up on this at breaktime so please ensure you child is at school on time – we start at 8.45am.

We look forward to meeting parents/carers at parent's evening after half-term. We will share with you your child's academic targets for the year. We are always ambitious for your children and progress is key! This first parents meeting is where children DO NOT attend as it is a chance for teachers and parents to information share.



We need your support as much as ever. 2025-26 has been the year of reading and the fact that people are reading less and less has been in the national headlines. We know being a confident and fluent reader is a 'game changer' and hence your support at home hearing your child read for pleasure is key!

Sporting Calendar!

We have started the school year with two of our traditional events – football and cross country. The school ran our annual intra school cross

country event, making good use of our woods. This was followed this week by the cross-country event held up at Hardwick Hall. There were nine schools in attendance, as ever many were much bigger than BVPS. We took two teams to represent the school. The weather was roasting and the distances were punishing but all the girls who ran did themselves and school proud! The Y3/4 team finished 4th overall whilst the Y5/6 girls finished in 1st place with Darcie coming in third overall.

Our school football team made a strong start and for the first time we had a mixed team of boys and girls playing. This shows that our



work with Chesterfield Town to promote girl's football has paid off big time! Mr Grafton who took the team spoke of how high the standard of football was and that the teams were closely matched! Again, we played much bigger schools as well as small schools. And the final result.....they won the tournament! Amazing, and the team will progress to the next round.

Uniform – part of our values

Zoe Clayton has been working to look at suppliers for our school uniform. We have potentially found a new supplier at a lower cost but still good quality. Some children are trialling this uniform to see how it holds up under daily use and washing. We will keep you posted on any revisions of pricing. All uniform is sold at cost price.

We are seeing children not wearing the agreed uniform in school – we have Royal Blue hoodies and jumpers.

Please ensure your child is in the correct uniform or let a staff member know if there is an issue (as sometimes happens). Correct uniform is part of the home/school agreement and failure to follow the agreement may lead to your child being sent home.

Please also name all uniform AND should you end up with the wrong hoody coming home – please return it to the school office.

Kick off!

We have had a message from Alyss at Chesterfield town:

If possible, please could you send out our attached October Football Camp flyers to your schools' parents? Your support would be very much appreciated!

We have a 20% discount on bookings until 16th October - use code OCT20 at checkout.

Below is also a link to book on

<https://bookwhen.com/soccerschool>

Bramley Vale Stars!

Certificates and BADGES have been handed out in assemblies as we recognise this half-term's value 'PRIDE'.

This week: **No assembly this week as Class 4 are out on a trip**

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| • Class 6 – | EYFS – |
| • Class 5 – | Lunchtime Award – |
| • Class 4 – | Kindness Award – |
| • Class 3 – | |

Last Week:

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| • Class 6 – Miles | EYFS – Lexi |
| • Class 5 – Alex B | Lunchtime Award – Edith and Rose |
| • Class 4 – Milo | Kindness Award – Eden Hepworth & Dad |
| • Class 3 – Theo | |



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Staying Healthy

We have had the usual coughs and colds to start the school year. Children have been reminded of the importance of hand washing and we have tissues for noses to be blown in all classrooms. The school nurse team is in soon to carry out the annual flu vaccination nasal spray. Unless you have contacted to say otherwise, your child will be inoculated against flu – I have had my jab!



Please also look out for hair lice, aka nits. Please treat early with conditioner and combing to get eggs and adults dealt with. Tying hair back helps as hair lice are transmitted through contact.

Early years children are once again brushing teeth in school as part of the Smile for Life programme! We are a healthy school so please do not send your child with sweets in a pack lunch – a KitKat (or similar) is fine!

Out and About!

We have had our first class trip of the year! With Class 5 travelling to Bosworth to explore Roman/Celt history. It sounds like it was a great day of history brought to life. All the other classes are heading out this half-term too! Please check the class pages for photos of the day.



The London Residential was a great success and the children were brilliant. We travelled down the Thames and then on to the London Eye, as well as taking in a West End musical

(Lion King) on the first day. We also went on a water wipe-out course! On the final day we battled teenagers to get on rides at Drayton Manor Park. It was an exhausting three days!



Back in school the junior age children were off timetable and worked on Eco projects across school! We have amazing school grounds and it is great the children were able to make the most of their time outdoors!

Yours sincerely – Mr Rumsby