

# Bromley Hills School Newsletter

Autumn Term Week 2

16<sup>th</sup> September 2022

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

A reminder that Monday is a Bank Holiday, so school will be closed. Also, next Friday is mufti day for 'Jeans for Genes' day, and we are asking for a £1 contribution (please pay on our school payment system).

This week, children in Reception started full time. This is a huge occasion and a big step for them. Welcome to all of our children in Reception and I hope they have a great start to their school year. Next week, our Pre-School children start their year – good luck to them!

This week, our Y6 children went on their residential to Astley Burf. They had a great time and the weather was good! I'm glad that they managed to go on this, as it was postponed from last year. I would like to thank all of the staff who gave up their time to make this possible.

As you can see below, we have two parent governor vacancies. This is because our current parent governors have stepped down from their roles. I would like to thank Rachael Richards and Emma Seddon for their work as parent governors on the Governing Board, especially when they attended the meetings via Teams during lockdown – It wasn't easy, but they managed! I do hope that we have some parents who would like to take up the role. Please come in for a chat if you are interested in finding out more.

As you will see below, we have a new attendance policy, which is based on the updates from the DfE. The full policy can be found on our school website but if you would like a paper copy, please ask the school office for one. The DfE have highlighted attendance as a priority across the country. Please read the main points below and if you have any questions, please ask at the school office.

As always, if you have any questions, please get in touch either by phone or email. If it is urgent, please do pop in and speak to us. Have a good weekend.

Many thanks, Jon Stevens.

## Parent Governors Needed

We currently have two vacancies for parent governors on our Governing Board. Governors meet every half term (6 times a year) as well as popping into school every half term. If you would like to find out more, please enquire at the school office. Nomination forms will be sent out next week.

## Homework

Teachers are no longer setting homework on Teams, as most children were not completing the work set. Therefore, this year, children will be bringing home workbooks to work in – maths across school, from Y1 to Y6, and English books in KS2. Please ensure that children look after their homework books and bring them in to be marked weekly.

Thank you.

## Covid-19 - The latest guidance from the DfE is the following:

Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.

Children who are unwell and have a **high temperature** should stay at home / be sent home. They return to school, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

**Our updated risk assessment can be found on the school website.**

## Information

### Dates for your Diary

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – Jeans for Genes Day

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September – McMillan Coffee Morning

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – KS1 Harvest Assembly at 9:15am

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October – Y3/4 Harvest Assembly at 9:15am

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Y5/6 Harvest Assembly at 9:15am

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Half Term

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Parents' Evening

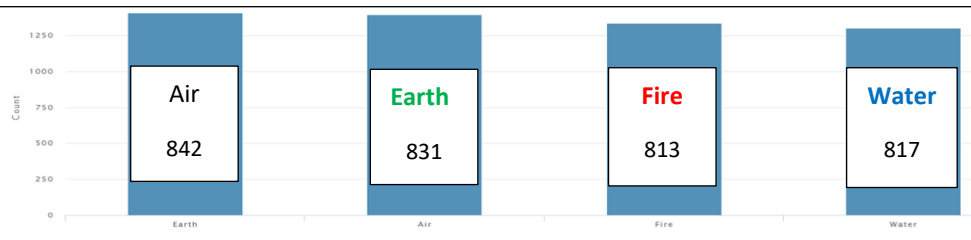
## Attendance

Class RM – 91%  
Class RB – 99%  
Class 1B – 90%  
Class 1/2Le – 92%  
Class 2L – 88%  
Class 3/4B – 98%  
Class 3/4CL – 98%  
Class 3/4F – 100%  
Class 5/6B – 97%  
Class 5/6K – 96%  
Class 5/6N – 96%

**Total attendance for this week is: 95%**

Well done to class 3/4F for **100% attendance this week.**

## House Points



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## ATTENDANCE POLICY

The school attendance policy has been updated, and a copy can be found on the school website. The main points to remember are:

- Children should arrive in school between **8:45am and 8:55am** (if late, please ensure that you take your child to the school office). School gates are locked at 9am.
- **Registers are marked by 9:05am.** Pupils arriving after this time (but before 9:25am) will receive a late mark (L).
- **The register closes at 9:25am.** Pupils attending after 9:25am will receive the mark U to show that they arrived after the registers have closed.
- If your child is unwell and won't be attending school, parents are to contact the school office via telephone by 9am on the first day of the absence, with an explanation of why they are absent.
- **Absences will be authorised** on the following grounds:
  - An absence for sickness for which the school has granted leave;
  - Medical or dental appointments which unavoidably fall during school time, for which the school has granted leave;
  - Religious or cultural observances for which the school has granted leave;
  - An absence due to a family emergency.
- **Unauthorised absence:**
  - Parents keeping children off school unnecessarily or without reason;
  - Truancy before or during the school day;
  - Absences which have never been properly explained;
  - Arrival at school after the register has closed;
  - Absence due to shopping, looking after other children or birthdays;
  - Absence due to day trips and holidays in term-time which have not been agreed;
  - Leaving school for no reason during the day.
- **Persistent absenteeism:**
  - Missing 10 percent or more of schooling across the year for any reason.

**Please remember: All absences must be authorised by the headteacher. Parents MUST request an absence in writing. School will refer cases to the Education Support Services (ESS) where children are persistently absent.**

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## FREE online programmes for parents, carers and professionals in Dudley at: [www.dudleyparents.co.uk](http://www.dudleyparents.co.uk)

### Triple P

A programme for parent/carers of children aged 2 to 11 years, teenagers and a new "Fear-less programme" for children aged 6 to 14 who suffer with anxiety



### Solihull approach

Courses from bump to baby to teenager, courses for additional needs and available in alternative languages. Our new relationships course is funded for all Dudley couples.

### Solihull approach for professionals

Funded courses on trauma, brain development and attachment. Please email for a code.



Access it all here NOW at:

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No need to book



(Most of these programmes of support are available face to face with professional help: email us for more information)

Email: [parenting@dudley.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@dudley.gov.uk) to access your codes for Triple P Fear-less, professional courses codes, for general enquiries and to find out more about activities and groups in Dudley.

