

Brimrod Primary School Newsletter

Friday 23rd April 2021



Brimrod Primary School Values

Challenge, Aspire, Create and Achieve.

This Week's winners:

Good to be green: Year 6

Attendance: Year 6

Punctuality: Year 2

This Week's Home Learning Superstars!!!!

Year 1 Finnley Blackband


Year 2 Emily Chen

Year 3 Ibrahim Nawaz

Year 4 Abdullah Muhammad

Year 6 Haniya Ahmed



	Attendance	Punctuality
	No. of sessions missed	No. of late marks
Nursery	7	2
Reception	12	2
Year 1	20	6
Year 2	14	0
Year 3	17	14
Year 4	8	1
Year 5	7	4
Year 6	0	2
	Attendance Stars Year 6	Punctuality Stars Year 2

This is a real improvement on before the Easter holiday. Well done!!

Let's see if we can manage to get no red numbers next week!!



Over the last year, we have all been faced with many challenges. Many of us still have challenges to overcome and some of us may have overcome some of these obstacles put before us. However challenge is more than overcoming problems; it is pushing us to be the best versions of ourselves. Every challenge is as great as any other whether that is scaling Mount Everest or managing to take that final jump off the climbing frame. Challenge allows us to see what we are capable of.

How could you challenge yourself this week?

Challenge definition: (the situation of being faced with) something that needs great mental or physical effort in order to be done successfully and therefore test a person's ability

Which of these could you tick off this week?

- Drink more water ☐
- Do homework straight away ☐
- Get up earlier and do some exercise ☐
- Read every night before bed ☐
- Do a chore around the house before being asked ☐

Challenge 1



Our challenge this week is to ensure that we are walking to school so that you can achieve your next WOW badge for April (Mount Everest)



News and Notices

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Our school values here at Brimrod are very important and are part of everything that we do. It is important to us that you, as parents, are aware of these values and how they run through our curriculum as well as our way of being. Each week you will see a section on the newsletter that links to one of these areas and will show you examples of the work that we have been doing.

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Safeguarding— Dropping children at school

Over the last week, we have seen a number of occasions where children have been left outside the school grounds on their own as parents have dropped them off and left.

This is very dangerous as there are no staff outside until the time allocated for their class. Until the children enter the school premises they are the responsibility of parents.

Children in Nursery, Reception, Years 3,4,5 and 6 become school's responsibility once they come through the gate that has been opened by a member of staff and who is manning the gate. Please stay with your child until they have gone through the gate.

Children in Year 1 and 2 must be walked down to the playground and stay with parents until the class teacher has taken them through the classroom door.

Thank you for your understanding. Our main concern is the safety of our children

Healthy School—Sweets

Can I just remind all parents that sweets are not allowed in school in lunch boxes or in children's pockets. A chocolate biscuit is allowed in lunch boxes and fruit can be brought in for break times. Thank you for your understanding

Walk to School

We are continuing with our challenge to get children and the environment healthier with our Walk Once a Week Challenge. At the end of next week children who have walked at least once a week since we returned from Easter will be able to collect their next badge. (April—Mount Everest)

Lateral Flow Tests

Can I please remind all parents that if your child is sent home due to having one of the main symptoms of Covid and they are given an LFT test by a doctor or anyone else, they still need to book and get a PCR tests even if the LFT test shows negative.

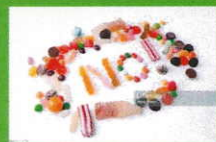
School Photographs

We will be going ahead with school photographs this year but will only be able to do individual photographs and not siblings due to not being able to mix bubbles. Photographs will be held in school on Tuesday 27th April.

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Learning in Class



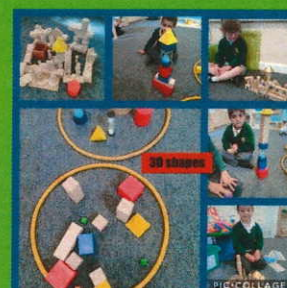
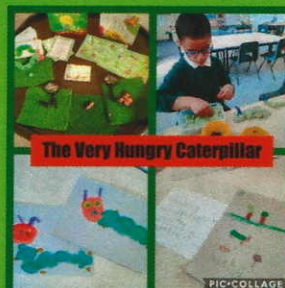
Year 6 discussing similes and metaphors



Year 4 Trombone lessons



Year 1 learning about measuring and planting beans



Reception learning lots about caterpillars and how they change and sorting and building with 3D shapes

Learning Outdoors



Year 5 planting out their crops for their school allotment



Nursery getting out and about looking for mini-beasts. They looked at them carefully and drew some amazing pictures!!

Outside learning is very important and as a school we are working hard to improve the outside environment so that it provides opportunities for learning and exploration.
Keep your eyes open for the changes ahead!

**Learning
Outdoors**



14 WAYS TO BE KIND ONLINE

Showing kindness online can mean so much to someone else. It is a choice we can all make that helps others, puts people's needs before our own and which can generate feelings of empathy and compassion. Small gestures can have a large impact and often one act of kindness can lead to more, making the world a happier and more positive place. That's why we've created this guide to suggest a few simple 'acts of kindness online' that can benefit people's mental health, support their wellbeing and encourage a more positive approach to engaging online.



1. BE POSITIVE

Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten up someone else's day.



Sometimes a friend or family member might post a question online or ask for help with something they can't do themselves. If you know the answer or are able to offer help, provide support and send a response. Something that may be easy for you might be difficult for someone else.



If somebody you know has done something good or shown kindness themselves, thank them for it. It costs nothing and showing them that you appreciate it means so much.

4. SHARE FUNNY VIDEOS OR IMAGES WITH FRIENDS & FAMILY

We often come across funny videos or images online that make us laugh and then we move on. If you found it funny, your friends and family might too. It could help someone smile who may be having a bad day.

5. LIKE, LOVE & CELEBRATE

If somebody posts something that you like on social media, like it, love it or celebrate it! It's a small gesture but could mean a lot.

6. VIDEO CALL YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY

It can be easy to be consumed by daily routine. Using apps like Zoom, FaceTime or WhatsApp are great for connecting with others far away and shows you're thinking of them even though you can't physically meet them in person.

7. TELL SOMEONE YOU'RE THINKING OF THEM

We can't always tell how people are feeling online and just dropping somebody a message to ask if they're ok or that you're thinking of them could literally make their day.

8. SHARE POSITIVE POSTS

If you see something online that inspires you, share it with people you know. An inspirational quote, a beautiful photo or a motivational video can lift spirits, improve self-esteem and help make people feel better about themselves.

9. HOST AN ONLINE QUIZ

Video conferencing apps are a great way to get friends and family together. If you know someone who is feeling lonely, host an online quiz and invite them to join in. It could really cheer them up.

10. THINK BEFORE YOU COMMENT

Sometimes thinking before you act can be just as significant as acting in the first place. Showing thought before you comment could stop you posting something hurtful, offensive or negative. It's always better to post positively or post nothing at all.

11. BE COMPASSIONATE & UNDERSTANDING

Being empathetic towards others and their situation is often an act of kindness and selflessness that gets overlooked. If you notice someone who is upset, drop them a message and offer to listen.

12. CONNECT FRIENDS & FAMILY WITH SIMILAR INTERESTS

You may know two people amongst your friends and family who you trust and know well who have similar interests and likes. Introducing them can be a great way for them to make new friends but remember to always ask their permission first.

13. RECOMMEND SOMETHING YOU ENJOY DOING TO OTHERS

If you enjoy doing something online, such as playing a game, or if you've found a great learning resource, share it with others. Even if you've watched a good film, letting others know can be an act of generosity that brings them excitement or pleasure at a time when they might need it the most.

14. PRAISE OTHERS FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS

Sometimes your friends or family might post something online that they're proud to have done. It might be an exam they've passed, learning a new skill or just completing a task. Either way, it's always kind to recognise hard work and effort through praise and celebration.

Meet our expert

This guide has been written by Anna Bateman. Anna is passionate about placing prevention at the heart of every school, integrating mental wellbeing within the curriculum, school culture and systems. She is also a member of the advisory group for the Department for Education, advising them on their mental health green paper.

