

# Bradwell Village School Year Six Newsletter September 2020

#### **Dear Parent/Carer,**

Welcome to a new year at Bradwell Village School and the start of the Autumn Term! I would like to say a massive well done to all the children who have settled into Year Six and have been brilliant with all our new safety routines. Thank you to all the parents/carers who have supported their children with this at home too.

We began our year with Creative Fortnight and our focus was 'Being Happy' where we learnt about friendship, wellbeing and strategies to deal with our worries. Take a look at some of the children's fantastic, hard work and creativity on our school website. www.bradwellvillageschool.co.uk

If you would like to contact a class teacher these are their class email addresses.

6EH@bvsmk.co.uk -Miss Harris

6GA@bvsmk.co.uk -Mrs Adams

6LJV@bvsmk.co.uk - Miss Vivian

# Cycling to school

Can parents of all children who cycle to school please reinforce the safety issues surrounding riding in the road. We would also prefer it if they wore helmets.

Many thanks.

#### **Parents Evenings**

Usually after half term we have face to face meetings with all parents to discuss how your children are settling in. Unfortunately, due to the current pandemic we are unable to offer this. We will be sending home a written overview of Reading, Writing and Maths alongside a general comment on how the term has gone so far.

If you have any concerns in the meantime please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

#### **Uniform**

Despite the children not changing for PE or leaving coat on pegs, we are still seeing a build-up of lost property. Please could you ensure all clothing is labelled. Thank you.



#### Jewellery

A reminder. Please ensure no jewellery is worn on days your child has PE or Games.

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#### Parking outside our schools

Please could you be aware of the dangers of parking outside Bradwell Village and Priory Common. There are times where emergency services would not be able to make their way to the schools should the need arise. Keep your eyes open for children running to their parents. We have also had a request from Bellfounder that parents refrain from parking in their allotted spaces.

Thank you on their behalf.

## Visiting School

If for any reason you need to visit school for a meeting or to speak with anyone in the office, please ensure you gel your hands on entry and you also wear a mask.

#### Email and mobile numbers

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With the chance of home learning always a possibility, can you please keep us up to date with any changes in your contact details, especially your mobile numbers and email addresses.

Email admin@bvsmk.co.uk or see Miss Chambers or Mrs Walters in the office.

# A reminder of start and finish times

Please see below the start and finish times for each year group. Do not arrive before the allotted times please. It is starting to get busy out by the gates and it is becoming increasingly difficult for some parents to remain socially distant from others. If you have younger children starting at either Priory Common or Heelands Schools and it clashes with our start times, see the younger children settled first.

We will not mark your child as late but do let us know if this is the case. Can you let us know if you do have younger children at either of those schools as we now have the facility to record this.

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| Year Group | Start | rinish |
| 6          | 8.50  | 2.55   |
| 5          | 9.00  | 3.05   |
| 4          | 8.50  | 2.55   |
| 3          | 9.00  | 3.05   |

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## **Subject Overviews**

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#### **English**



We will be looking at a variety of text types and creating links with our topic work. After Creative Week, with a focus on well-being, we are creating our own Mr Men and Little Miss characters. We will also be focusing on the basics of spelling, punctuation and grammar.

#### Maths

This term we will be looking at number operations and relating these to real life problems. We will spend a lot of time focusing on our written and mental methods and will be utilising these for worded problems. Our Back to Basics sessions will continue to develop the speed of mental recall, particularly when it comes to times tables.

#### Science

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We will be studying the circulatory system and looking closely at the function of the major organs such as the heart. We will also be thinking about what we need to keep us healthy and how factors such as diet and exercise can impact on the way our body function. Moreover, we will be looking at electrical circuits and experimenting with various components.



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#### Computing

In Computing we will be refining our research skills as well as studying how to be safe online.

#### Games/PE



In Games & PE we will be developing our invasion games and improving our dance through the Haka.

#### **French**

French will be taught through a variety of games and songs. The children will be learning vocabulary for places around the school as well as how to talk about their feelings.

#### **RE/PSHE**

In RE we will be learning about holy books with a specific focus on the Bible. In PSHE we will be setting ourselves targets for this academic year as well as community building. We will also be promoting the values of Kindness & Respect.

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#### **Topic**

Our topic for this term is 'I Feel Good' where we will be exploring how our feelings and emotions influence us.



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In **Design & Technology** we will be designing our own products to help people feel relaxed. Furthermore, we will be considering how advertising can change the way we feel about products.



In **Art** we will be looking at how feelings and emotions can inspire art and will use these to create our own artwork.

In **Music** we will be thinking about how feelings and emotions are portrayed through music and how they have been used as a source of inspiration. We will be looking at some of the great musicians and famous pieces of music before creating our own compositions.

In **History** we will be looking at the post World War Two, how Britain changed after the war and studying some of the key figures involved.

For our International Links we will be finding out how feelings are expressed around the world and will consider how extreme, negative feelings can lead to war.

#### **Homework**

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Open ended tasks are set every week. Please encourage your child to complete them to the best of their ability.

#### Reading

We ask that the children read on a daily basis. Please encourage your child to read a variety of texts: fiction, non-fiction, paperbacks, hardbacks, the classics, newspapers, comics, magazines etc.



#### **Spellings**

Spellings are taught daily. The children are given a list of words each week that fit the spelling pattern that they are working on. These words need to be practised at home for their weekly assessment.

#### **Times Tables**

The children need to know, and be able to quickly recall, their times tables and all related facts. Any practice at home will be a great advantage.

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# Year 6 Teaching Staff

Miss Harris (Year Team Leader and Class Teacher), Mrs Adams (Class Teacher), Miss Vivian (Class Teacher) and Miss Vincent (Head of School) for Maths.

Our Learning Support Assistants are Mrs Swan, Mrs Anderson and Miss Morgan.

#### **Contact Us**

If you need to contact your child's class teacher, we are always available at the gate before or after school. Alternatively, you can email us directly on our class email addresses:

We look forward to a wonderful term of hard work, challenge and celebrating success.

Miss Harris and the Year Six team.

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