

BANDON HILL BULLETIN



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FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER



Assistant
Headteacher Update



It was lovely this week to see children from Years 4, 5 and 6 attend their first session at running club. They started with a fun (but rather competitive game) to warm up, before heading off around the playground and ball court for some long-distance running practice. In the coming weeks, Miss Browning will be working the children hard and is excited to see them challenge themselves in the different games and activities.

The children enjoyed this week's assemblies. Sutton Schools came in on Monday to talk to them about what they are thankful for; there were some wonderful examples given by the children. On Tuesday, Mr Haddock proudly announced the names of the Year 6 Senior Prefects, Prefects, Team Captains and Well-being Ambassadors. Their roles will include helping with school tours and visitors to the school, representatives at sports days as well as everyday jobs that staff may have both in the office and the classrooms. In singing assembly (the first of the year), Ms Nazir introduced a new song to the children which they will learn over the next couple of weeks.

Lastly, you should have received a letter about a meeting being held by Mrs Horne and Mr Haddock next **Tuesday 24th September at 2:30 pm**. During the meeting, she will share the RSE resources we use in our lessons. They come from the educational resource 'Kapow'. If you would like to attend, please arrive promptly at the main office entrance.

I hope you have a lovely weekend - let's hope the sun continues to shine!

Miss Hatchett

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WHAT'S
NEW?





UPCOMING EVENTS



September

September: Monday 23rd, 30th

October: Monday 7th, 14th,

- Prospective Parents School Tours - 9.30am

September: Wednesday 25th

October: 2nd, 9th, 16th,

- Prospective Parents School Tours - 2.00pm

Tuesday 24th

- PSHE and RSE parent information meeting - 2:30pm.

Thursday 26th

- Flu Vaccinations Reception - Year 6

October

Thursday 3rd

- Year 4 Assembly
- Year 6 to the Army Museum

Friday 4th

- Individual School Photographs

Monday 14th

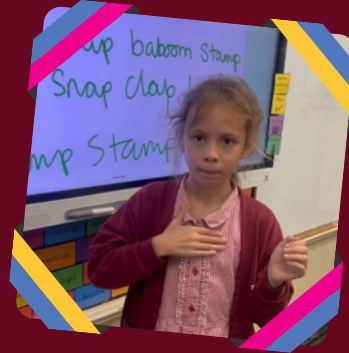
Thursday 17th

- Parents evening - 3.30 - 6.00 pm

HALF TERM HOLIDAY - Monday 21st October - Friday 01st November



AROUND OUR SCHOOL THIS WEEK



HOUSE POINTS

UPDATE

Mason
House

Shanahan
House

Weir House

Widdowson
House

376

231

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WINNER



CURRICULUM UPDATE - EYFS

Nursery have had another wonderful week. The children are more settled and are learning our daily routines. We introduced rhyme time this week, which is part of the Little Wandle foundations for phonics scheme. This provides phase 1 phonic activities linked to a different rhyme each week. Next week, we will be thinking about our feelings and emotions. Our book of the week will be 'The Colour Monster'.

A few reminders for you:

Please ensure all items of clothing and belongings are named so we can prevent them becoming lost or mixed up with others.

You may send in a bag of spare clothes to keep on your child's peg in case they need to be changed.

If your child borrows clothing from Nursery, please wash and return it to us. Our stock runs low quickly!

We have a school Instagram account which gives parents an insight into daily life at Bandon Hill. Please search for @bandonhillprimary



Recreation have had an amazing first full week! They have all been doing well with lunch and everyone has had a go at trying something new.

Next week, we will be starting our maths and phonics carpet sessions which we are very excited about. In maths we will look at numbers, and in phonics we will focus on the sounds S, A, T, P.

At home, please remind your children about using manners, sharing and being a kind friend.

Please note: PE will start after October half term, once we know the houses your children are in. This half term will focus on basic activities and games.

Polite reminders:

- Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform (as photographs)
- Please can you send your child with the school book bag as they fit into our bookbag boxes rather than rucksacks.
- Please send in water bottles everyday ensuring they are named.



CURRICULUM UPDATE KS2

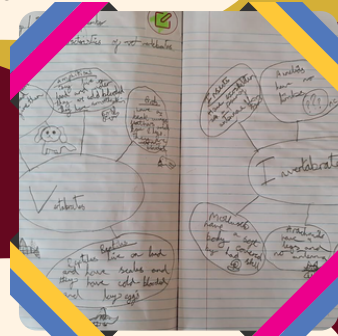


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This week, Year 3 have continued writing their diary entry based on the 'Stone Age Boy'. It has enabled the children to explore prehistoric times in an engaging way. Integrating it with other subjects deepens their understanding. In maths, the use of place value counters for exploring 'one more, one less, ten more, ten less, and hundred more, hundred less' has been a fantastic way to make abstract concepts tangible. The children have also been engaging excellently with our whole class reading text, 'The Iron Man' providing a great foundation in developing strong number sense.

In history, we have been understanding the sense of chronology and have asked historical questions about our topic - the Stone Age. We also continued this week in science, to learn more about types of rocks and how they are formed.

- Reminders:
- Weekly spelling tests are on Fridays.
- Any personal toys or fidget toys should be left at home.
- If you are able to, a kind donation of tissues would be appreciated for the classroom



In English, we have started planning a diary entry from Edward's point of view based on what we know about him so far from the story. Next week, we will write our diary entry and begin looking at letter features in preparation for writing a persuasive letter.

We have continued to focus on place value in maths, with numbers up to 10,000 and recognising that place value can be represented in different ways as well as starting to look at Roman numerals. Next week, we are looking at rounding numbers to 10,000.

In geography, we learned about France's capital city, Paris. We also noted the similarities and differences between Paris and London.

In art, we continued to learn about Berenice Sydney and explored mark-making by experimenting with various objects.

Reminders:

- PE DAYS - Frank class, Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Keller class, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

PE kits should be worn on those days and all earrings are to be removed.

- THURSDAY - Spelling tests. Please note that a list of the weekly spelling words for the year will be provided in the home learning folders this week as well as put into their contact books.
- FRIDAY - weekly times tables tests: The 2 x tables will be tested next Friday 20.09.24.

Lastly, if anyone is able to donate a box of tissues, we would greatly appreciate it.

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CURRICULUM UPDATE KS2

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We got creative and rather messy in art this week where we sketched designs inspired by Jamaal Barber. Based on these sketches, the children made their own reduction drawings using charcoal and rubbers. The children really enjoyed experimenting and using this medium as the foundation for their artwork. In the coming weeks, we will be using lino to create a similar effect.

The children came up with some great introductions for their diary entries in English this week. Based on the book, *The Amazing Tale of Ali Pasha*, the children will be continuing their diary entries as the reporter Trev and will begin planning a newspaper report next week.

The Sikh Empire is our focus in history this half term. In class, we learnt about who led the Empire (Maharaja Ranjit Singh), how it came to be and who else made up the Empire. We also explored the Sikh beliefs and discussed how they impacted on society.

Can you spot what is real? In computing, the children have explored how we can tell if something is real or fake online. The Burger King Chocolate Whopper advert we showed them, had many fooled! We also explored how to search effectively online using search engines.

Finally, in maths the children continued their learning on place value (up to 1,000,000) and have practised rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.

Thank you so much to those who have donated boxes of tissues - we really do appreciate it!

In Year 6 this week we began our DT topic. We researched what Anderson shelters were and what they might need to look like in order to keep people safe during WW2. The children then had a go at sketching and designing their own Anderson shelters.

In English this week, we began researching Anne Frank and how she and her family felt living in such a small space with so many people. The children have written a short biography on Anne Frank. We then went on to look at features of a diary entry and what we would need to include in our diaries.

Next week, the children will be doing their first set of mock SATs. The purpose of this is to allow the children to be familiar with the format of the SATs. We will be doing the tests in the classroom to ensure familiarity for the children.

Well done to all the children that have completed their homework in a timely manner. Homework in year 6 is a great revision tool to complement preparation towards the SATs exams.

Reminder: In all PE lessons and sports clubs earrings should be removed.



SPELLINGS FOR THE WEEK



YEAR 2

Group 1 - change, charge, range, orange, hinge, strange, dungeon, sponge, pigeon, fringe

Group 2 - kit, skin, mask, sketch, basket



YEAR 3

Group 1 - Words where 'y' makes an /i/ sound:

symbol, gym, myth, synonym, Egypt, lyrics, pyramid, system, mystery, gymnastics

Group 2 - gem, gym, giant, magic, giraffe, energy, digit, engine, religion, gentle



YEAR 4

Group 1 - Step 3 - Words with prefixes 'il', 'im' and 'ir'

Illegal, illegible, immature, immortal, impossible, impatient, imperfect, irregular, irrelevant, irresponsible

Group 2 words - High-frequency words

a, all, were, come, house, to, we, go, will, old



YEAR 5

Words ending in '-cial'

artificial, beneficial, crucial, especially, facial, glacial, judicial, multiracial, official, special



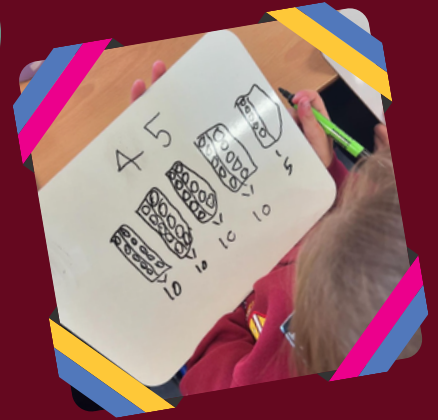
YEAR 6

Group 1 - according, awkward, conscious, dictionary, familiar, individual, neighbour, profession, sacrifice, system

Group 2 - change, charge, range, orange, hinge, strange, dungeon, sponge, pigeon, fringe



NURTURE UPDATE



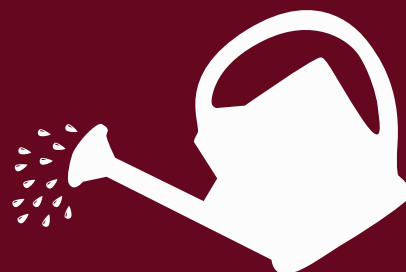
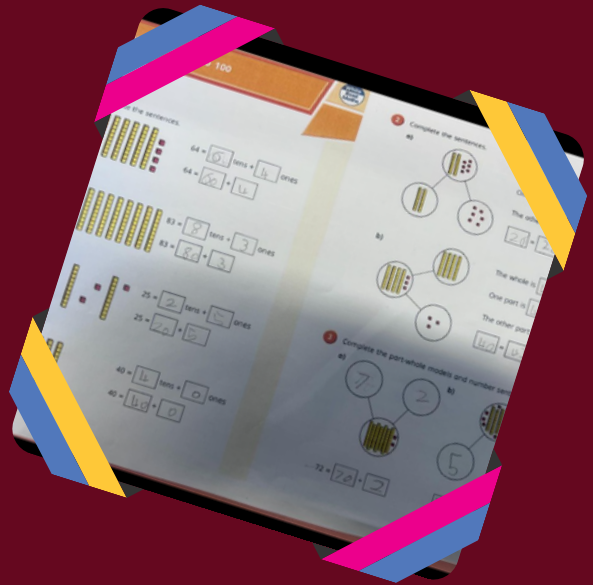
This week in Nurture, we've been working through the tasks in 'Starving the Anxiety Gremlin', where the children have openly shared their thoughts and feelings while earning stars for their efforts. It's been a wonderful way for them to reflect on managing worries.

We've also begun learning how to touch type, which has been great fun and a useful skill for the future.

We enjoyed reading "The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark" by Jill Tomlinson and discussed how our imaginations can sometimes make nighttime worries seem scarier than they are. The children are excited to write a new chapter for the book, adding their own ideas to the story.

In Maths, we've focused on partitioning numbers, and the children have done an excellent job, producing some fantastic independent work.

It's been a week full of learning, creativity and growth!





Safeguarding Update

If you have a worry about the safety or welfare of your child or any other child at Bandon Hill Primary School, please contact the school (Tel: 020 8647 5377, email: office@bandonhillprimary.co.uk) and ask to speak to a DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead).

DSLs (Designated Safeguarding Leads) At Bandon Hill Primary School	 Mr Haddock Designated Safeguarding Lead
 Mrs Newsome (DDSL)	 Miss Hatchett (DDSL)

MY FAVOURITE CHILDREN'S BOOK

My favourite children's book is Flat Stanley. It was my favourite as a child and I have enjoyed reading it to hundreds of children over the years, including my own son. I always dreamed of being able to slide under the door like Stanley. I still try it occasionally but, alas, it has never worked and seems to get harder each year. The book has great moral lessons such as with great power comes great responsibility, use your skills for the benefit of mankind and never, ever place a heavy bulletin board above your bed that will fall on you and make you flatter than a pancake!

Mr Haddock



ATTENDANCE FOR THIS WEEK



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OWENS 97%.
AND
FRANK 99%

PUNCTUALITY FOR THIS WEEK



GOODALL, CURIE
AND KELLER -
ALL NO LATES!





Dare to...
Daring
Resilient
Enquiring
Ambitious
Motivated



EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE OPEN EVENTS & TOURS

For families joining our community in September 2025

Our events will offer a unique opportunity for parents and carers to tour the school, followed by the chance to ask any questions you may have with Mr Hopkins, Mr Haddock or Miss Hatchett.

Our Open Events and Tours will take place on **Monday's at 9.30am and Wednesday's at 2.00pm**

To confirm your place please call 02086475377 or email us at office@bandonhillprimary.co.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to view our fantastic school!



Fun at St Michael's

Thursdays 4-6pm

St Mike's Tykes

Fun, food and friendship for primary aged children
& your carer/s & siblings of all ages



Eat a meal together

*Journey with Jesus
and friends*

Play indoors and out



*Singing and
Music*



Crafts



Storytelling



*FREE and open to all - but please call before your first
visit so we can plan for dietary or any other needs*

Mother Berni 07502 411918

sbrvicar@gmail.com



Family Support



Primary Family Support Group

Empowering parents to
build healthy relationships
with their children

When: Wednesdays at 1pm-2pm/2.15pm

Venue: Limes College, Sutton West Site, Robin Hood Lane, Sutton, SM1 2SD

Entrance: Walk down the drive. On the right you will see the family centre and on the left next to a concrete ball court there are some blue gates (directly opposite the family centre) (not the car park gates) The gate is locked so a member of staff will meet you at the gate at 12.50pm/12.55pm to let you in

Dates:

25/09/24: Introductions, ground rules, parenting styles

02/10/24: Parent's mental health and well-being

09/10/24: Promoting positivity in children

16/10/24: Trauma and the developing brain

23/10/24 – No Group, Half Term

30/10/24 – No Group, Half Term

06/11/24: Rules/boundaries, sanctions/rewards, bedtimes etc.

13/11/24: Online Safety

20/11/2024: Attachment

27/11/24: Supporting children's mental health, anxiety, self-esteem /Zones of regulation

04/12/24: Review ending, what next, evaluation

11/12/24: Optional additional session

All welcome

Whilst we know that some parents may not be able to attend every session, we do encourage parents to attend as many sessions as possible. As the group develops with each session, trust and relationships will build and parents will hopefully feel more supported by each other and grow in confidence.

Once you have signed up to the group, we ask that parents contact Elaine or Nibby if for some reason you are unable to

We would like to extend this invite to all parents of a primary aged child in the London Borough of Sutton. We hope to offer parents a safe space to meet other parents in a similar situation to learn more about different topics and explore new ideas that will support your child's social emotional growth and development.

Parents will:

Feel more empowered and confident to trust their own judgements when supporting their children

Build self-esteem and confidence

Share ideas and tips with each other

For more information and to register your interest and to discuss any queries please call or email either: Nibby, Jackie or Elaine

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Elaine: 07736338601
eberriman@thelimescollege.org

Jackie: 07736 338809
jlawrence@thelimescollege.org



7:30 - 8:30am

WRAP AROUND CARE



3:15 - 6:00pm

Wrap around care at Bandon Hill provides pupils with:



- ✓ Child Led Nurturing Activities
- ✓ Homework and Reading Support with experienced and qualified TA's
- ✓ Opportunities to Socialise and Learn Social Skills
- ✓ A start and/or end of day reflection to motivate and encourage
- ✓ Snacks and Drinks

For pricing and to book, please contact the main office.



7:30 - 8:30am

Our wrap around care offer ensures that we are supporting not just our own pupils, but their whole family to..

Dare to Dream



3:15 - 6:00pm

Telephone: 020 8647 5377 or
E-mail: office@bandonhillprimary.co.uk
for more information...

