BANDON HILL BULLETIN

ISSUE 26
FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2024

Headteacher Update







We began this week remembering Armistice Day on November 11th. We marked the anniversary of the First World War ending in 1918, with a fantastic assembly led by Mr Haddock. All of our children and staff joined together in the hall and learnt about the significance of the day. We held an impeccable two minute silence at 11am. Mr Haddock reminded us of how Armistice Day was originally dedicated to the memory of all the fallen Commonwealth soldiers of the First World War, as our Reception classes waved the fantastic poppies they had made, in class to mark the occasion. We also enjoyed a 'Water Safety' assemblies this week, along with a special assembly to celebrate Children in Need too.

In two weeks time, we have our second Parent Partnership Meeting of the year. Please let you class representatives know if there are any whole school items you would like added to the agenda for the discussion. We really appreciate new ideas and suggestions so together, we can make Bandon Hill an even more special place for our children to learn and DREAM.

Our KS2 house point winners, Weir House, took a trip to Wandsworth earlier in the week, as part of their prize for winning the house point award for the 2024. All of the children we impeccably behaved as they visited the cinema to watch 'Kung Fu Panda 4'.



Finally, well done to Libby and Marques who have earnt the opportunity to represent Sutton Borough this year at football. An amazing achievement! We are all very proud of you both.

Mr Hopkins

WHAT'S NEW?

Reminders for the Year

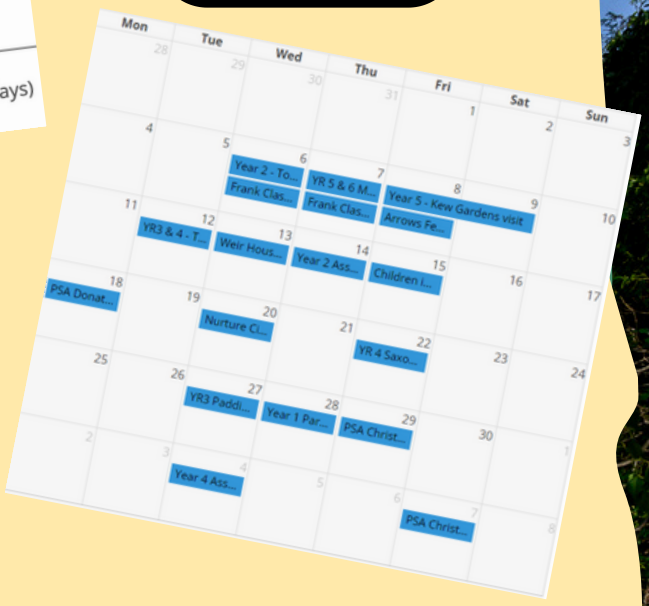
Autumn Term 2024	
First Day	Last Day
Monday 2nd September 2024	Friday 18th October 2024 @3.15pm (Finish for October Half Term)
Monday 4th November 2024	Friday 20th December 2024 @1.00pm (Finish for Christmas)



Spring Term 2025	
First Day	Last Day
Tuesday 7th January 2025	Friday 14th February 2025 @3.15pm (Finish for February Half Term)
Monday 24th February 2025	Friday 4th April 2025 @1.00pm (Finish for Easter)

Summer Term 2025	
First Day	Last Day
Tuesday 22nd April 2025	Friday 23rd May 2025 @3.15pm (Finish for May half-term)
Monday 2nd June 2025	Tuesday 22nd July 2025 @1.00pm (Finish for Summer Holidays)





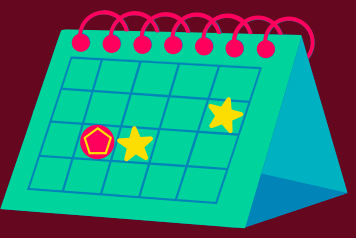
Don't forget, our **'live'** school calendar can be found on our school website or by clicking here



Everything you need to know can be found at:
https://www.bandonhillprimary.co.uk

PSA UPDATES

bandonhillschoolpsa@gmail.com









If you can spare an hour or two to help support the Christmas Fayre please email us. Thank you

BANDON HILL PSA

Upcoming Events

~~FRIDAY 11 NOVEMBER Favourite Friday £1 favourite items Class shoes, snack etc,~~

~~14 - 21 OCTOBER Party toy & Christmas jumper Harvest~~

MONDAY
18 NOVEMBER
Christmas Fayre donation and mufti day

FRIDAY
29 NOVEMBER
Bottle donation day

SATURDAY
7 DECEMBER
Christmas Fayre
12 - 2pm

TUESDAY
10 DECEMBER
Santa visit
£1 suggested donation

Ho ho ho!

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BANDON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL PSA

Volunteers always needed! For more information please contact bandonhillschoolpsa@gmail.com

PSA UPDATES

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NEXT EVENT
Bottle donation
A chance to win
£10 Amazon voucher

Friday 29th November
non mufti day



Raffle Prizes
Do you own a local business?
Could you donate a prize?
Please drop us
an email

We Need You!
We are looking for help
at the Christmas fayre
we have games stalls,
tombolas and raffle
stalls
needing helpers
Drop us an email

Sports News



The Netball Team played their first match against Forresters Primary.

The A-Team won 5-0 with Sadie's epic goal scoring, which wouldn't have been possible without the rest of the team driving the ball so superbly into their D.

The B Team lost 1-0, but thanks to our strong defence we stopped lots more goals being scored.

Both teams made Miss Long and Mrs Seetaram very proud.

Winter Craft *afternoon*







Date for your diary:

Monday 16th December

1:45 – 2:45 pm

Come and make winter crafts with your children.

CURRICULUM UPDATE - EYFS

N

Nursery started the week by taking part in a two minute silence for Remembrance Day. We were extremely proud of the children who remained silent whilst watching the CBeebies video designed for young children (please search for 'Cbeebies Remembrance Day' on YouTube if you'd like to view it).

We completed our first 'Squiggle whilst you Wiggle' session this week. The children are now completing their big body movements and then drawing them on paper afterwards, giving them a chance to improve their fine motor skills. They really enjoyed this activity and were fully engaged. We are also now in full Christmas mode and are learning new songs in preparation for our Singalong on 18th December, we can't wait to see you in the audience!

A reminder that we are now collecting Nursery fund, the suggested voluntary amount is £3 per half term, thank you in advance.

Have a lovely weekend!



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Reception took part in the two minute silence for Remembrance Day on Monday. They all were amazing and remained silent while watching the live coverage from the cenotaph. Reception had created their own poppy which we took with us to assembly to show our respect.

In Phonics, we looked at **ff, ll, ss** and **j.** We also learnt some new tricky words which are: **put, pull, full** and **as**. Next week, our focus sounds will be **v, w, x, y.** In maths, the children have been engaging with activities that underline the purpose of counting. The key focus has been the purpose of 5. At home you could get your children to find you 5 objects and discuss how you could show 5 in different ways.

Next week, your child will be sent home with a reading book on **Friday.** They will have read the book at school a couple of times already so please encourage them to read with you at home with you. We then ask that you return the reading book on **Wednesdays**. Thank you!

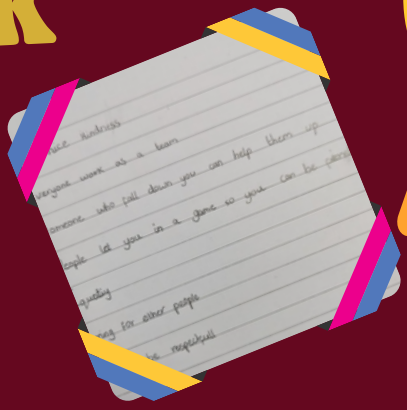
Reception are in need of some tissues! If you are able to add any to your shopping or have any spare boxes at home we would be very grateful!

Have a lovely weekend



AROUND OUR SCHOOL THIS WEEK










HOUSE POINTS

UPDATE

Mason House	Shanahan House	Weir House	Widdowson House
1784	1588	1526	1618

WINNER

CURRICULUM UPDATE KS1

1

This week in Year 1, the children have learnt and will continue to use the story 'The Gruffalo' in English. We used the story to create freeze frames and enjoyed working in groups to role play the characters. We also have been learning to use past tense. Next week, we will be desrcibing the characters from the Gruffalo story!

In Phonics, we learnt the sounds 'o in most' 'i in kind' 'a in paper' and 'e in fever.'

In Maths we have been using number lines for subtratction. Starting on the Whole number , jumping back to see where we land. The children have then been able to out this information into a subtraction number sentence.

PE DAYS

Attenborough -Tuesdays and Thursdays
Goodall -Mondays and Thursdays

Trip to Mellows park
Thursday 28th November 2024

Goodall - 9.15am - 11am
Attenborough - 1.15pm -3pm

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It has been another busy week for year 2, on Wednesday they had a talk and workshop on Water Safety, and practised and performed their assembly to you on what they have learned so far this year.

In English, we have been looking at the layout of Newspaper reports and have planned a report on the Crown Jewels that have been stolen by thieves! Next week, the children will be newspaper reporters and complete their own reports ensuring they include the five Ws (when, where, who, what and why)

We have continued the topic of addition and subtraction in maths using base 10 (or Dienes) and the children were introduced to Rekenreks this week - you would know them as Abacus. Three times a week, children will have input using them which has been recognised to help fluency in maths. We will continue this next week.

The children next week, will start to practise the Christmas songs that will be performed to you on the 11th/12th December dependent on the class (please see school calendar).

Mrs Harris will be holding parents evenings on the 2nd and 4th December.

PE DAYS

ALI - Wednesdays and Thursdays
Owens - Tuesdays and Thursdays

READING

Please read every day with your child and write a comment in the Contact Book.

SPELLINGS AND HOMEWORK

Is set and tested every FRIDAY



Safeguarding Update

This week was Anti-Bullying Week and this year's national theme is 'Show Respect' which we discussed on Tuesday's whole school assembly. We always encourage all our children to tell an adult whenever they think they are experiencing bullying. Below is a poster we display across the school to remind children about what is bullying and how to respond if it is happening to them.

WHAT IS BULLYING AND WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED?

What is Bullying?

Bullying is when someone makes you sad by hurting you or upsetting you over a period of time (so it has happened more than once).

Bullying can involve name calling, teasing, hurting/hitting, ganging up on someone, stopping people being friends and making you feel unsafe or unhappy.

Where does Bullying take place?

It can take home in school, on the playground, on the way to and from school and online.

What should you do if you are being bullied?

Tell your **teacher or any adult** in the school straight away. You may also talk to a **Wellbeing Ambassador** who can give you advice.











ATTENDANCE FOR THIS WEEK







Owens- 98%
&
Keller- 99%

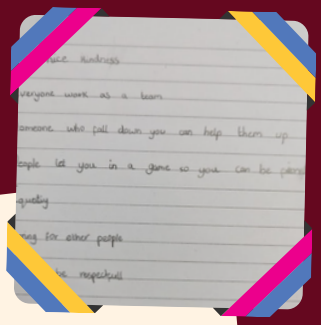
PUNCTUALITY FOR THIS WEEK



Goodall
&
Frank & Gandhi



CURRICULUM UPDATE KS2



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Year 3 have had a fabulous week!

In English we have carried on looking at 'A Bear Called Paddington'. We are currently helping Paddington to sell his famous marmalade by creating a persuasive advert. The children thought of some exciting adjectives to use whilst trying some gooey marmalade on Wednesday.

In Maths we have be learning to add 3 digit numbers whilst exchanging, this is a really tricky concept, but the children have impress us with the number knowledge.

This week in science we have continued with our topic 'light', we have learnt the words transparent, translucent and opaque. Maybe your child can find some objects that match these descriptions at home?

In a few weeks we have our Paddington Trip, we are hoping to finalise volunteers very shortly and will let you know about these this week. A big thank you to all those who have already volunteered!



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In science this half term, we are learning about electricity and exploring the enquiry question 'How does a lightbulb work?'. We'll have the opportunity to think about and explore the impact electrical inventions have had on our lives.

In maths, we will be continuing with addition and subtraction, focusing on targeted questions and activities around a specific times table.

We've been enjoying our focus text 'Hello Lighthouse' in English. Next week we will be learning about the features of journalistic reports and newspapers and will be planning our own newspaper report based on an event in the book.

We were fortunate this week to have a water safety workshop. We learnt about the different type of safety flags and what each one means, strategies to stay safe in and around water, and what to do if we fall into very cold water. It was a very interesting and valuable workshop.

Due to our Saxon day workshop next Friday, our next times tables test will be on Thursday 21st November. We will be focusing on the **7** times tables.

Dates for your diary:

- ***Friday 22nd November:*** *Saxon workshop. Children can come to school dressed as a Saxon (see workshop letter for costume ideas)*
- ***Wednesday 4th December****: Year 4 Class assembly, arrival from 2.20pm, assembly to commence at 2.30pm.*

CURRICULUM UPDATE KS2

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Year 5 have had another super week!

This week in English, we have been conducting some research into the Amazon Rainforest and organising it into sections. we will be writing our non - chronological reports in the coming week.

In our maths lessons, we have finished our unit on multiplication and division and will be looking at fractions next week.

A big thank you to all the parents who came on our trip to Kew Gardens. The children were so well behaved and enjoyed learning about all the different plants at Kew. It was fun to look at the carnivorous plants and to smell from cacao (from which chocolate is made). They also took different measurements from temperature to light exposure using a variety of equipment.

Please let us know (by way of a note in the Contact Books) if you are able to join us for the Craft Afternoon. We look forward to seeing you.

Date for your diary:

Monday 16th December 1.45-2.45pm
Craft Afternoon



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Year 6 have had another fantastic week!

In our English lessons, we have used the research we conducted last week to write a non-chronological report on the Galapagos Islands.

In our maths lessons, we have continued our topic on fractions and have revised ordering, comparing, adding and subtracting fractions.

Thank you for the tissue box donations!

A letter was sent out last week about the Christmas Community party. We have only received a handful of responses. Please ensure that the slips are sent back as soon as possible.

Date for your diary:

Friday 13th December - Christmas Community Party.

ALL of the children in Year 6 will be required to stay at school until 4:15pm.



SPELLINGS FOR THE WEEK



YEAR 1

Mr, Mrs, Ms, are, ask, little

Group 1: table, apple, bottle, little, middle, bubble, cable, uncle, ankle, eagle

Group 2: looked, buzzed, jumped, helped, fizzed

YEAR 3

Group 1: mistake, mislead , misbehave, misspell misplace, misread , mistrust, misunderstanding, misuse, mislaid

Group 2: camel, tunnel, jewel, travel tinsel, squirrel, hazel, vowel, angel, towel

YEAR 4

Group 1: sadly, completely, wildly, bravely, gently, foolishly, proudly, horribly, nervously, happily

Group 2: she, have, big, oh, here, is, went, when, about, off

YEAR 5

competence, confidence, decent, eloquence, emergent, frequent, innocence, intelligence, transparent, violent



YEAR 6

Group 1: attached, community, desperate, excellent, hindrance, mischievous, physical, restaurant, sufficient, yacht

Group 2: table, apple, bottle, little, middle, bubble, cable, uncle, ankle, eagle

NURTURE UPDATE





We've had a fantastic week in Nurture class, filled with learning, reflection, and fun activities. On Monday, we came together to focus on Remembrance Day. We watched a moving assembly and spent time reflecting on the sacrifices made by soldiers. To mark the occasion, we even made our own poppies, which helped us feel connected to the meaning of the day and remember the importance of bravery and peace.

In English, we read the beautiful book "Little Tree" by Loren Long. The story sparked important conversations about change and how it can make us feel. We discussed what makes us feel scared, how we can cope with changes in our lives, and shared strategies to help us when we're feeling anxious. We also reflected on the soldiers who fought in wars and considered how they might have felt scared too, helping us connect our own emotions to the courage shown by others.



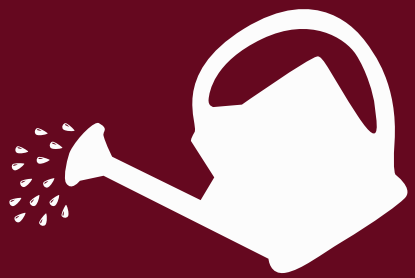
This week in Maths, we've been working on adding 10's and 100's across two numbers. The children have been practicing their skills, using different methods to add larger numbers. It's been exciting to see their confidence grow as they master this new concept, and they've enjoyed applying their learning in various problem-solving activities.



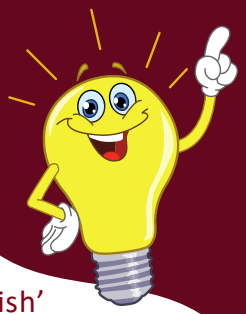
Next week, we're looking forward to our first Nurture school trip to the cinema! It's going to be an exciting adventure, and we can't wait to share the experience with the class. Keep up the fantastic work, everyone!











Teachers and their favourite books

Mrs Newsome thinks that ‘The Rainbow Fish’ by Marcus Pfister is one of her favourite books.

She says, ‘I really love the pictures, particularly how there is such a lovely blend of colours and shiny scales on the fish.

This is a classic story about being humble and sharing with others, thinking about friendships and what makes others happy.

It shows the true meaning of happiness by looking at what makes the Rainbow Fish truly happy. It also shows us that although we could be the most beautiful, the most successful or have the best of things, this doesn’t guarantee us real happiness and mean that we could still be lonely and unhappy.

I think that this has a great meaning behind it and it is told in a very caring and selfless way.’





Bandon Hill
Primary School

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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Cognus
No Limits on Learning

Does your child have an EHCP or SEN provision?

Join us at the Parent Trainings Cognus Therapies is offering!

with valuable information, engaging sessions and resources from our fantastic team of therapists!

TOPICS

- ✓ Sensory Integration
- ✓ Emotional Regulation
- ✓ Communication rich environments
- ✓ Fine, gross motor and independence skills

INTERESTED?

- ✓ Visit the Cognus website or use the QR code below.
- ✓ Look for upcoming trainings.
- ✓ Fill in the form to reserve your spot (only 50 spots available per training!)

Scan the QR code to find out more information and to book your slot!

Sunrise Stars

7:30 - 8:30am

WRAP AROUND CARE

Sunset Stars

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.

Sunrise Stars

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

Sunset Stars

3:15 - 6:00pm

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

