



Bramley Church of England Primary

Bramley Bulletin – 14th July 2023

In the blink of an eye, the school year has flown by and we find ourselves finishing the penultimate week with a drizzly day more akin to the end of the Autumn Term, rather than the summer. The disappointment of postponing Sports Day is turning to anticipation for some sunshine next week. I hope you all keep your fingers crossed throughout the weekend in the hope of Wednesday being beautiful blue skies.

I have asked the teachers to reflect upon the highlights of the year for this particular newsletter. They have struggled to pick specific favourites as the year has been full of fantastic learning, great fun and lots of laughter. I'm sure you will have your own highlight reel of the year which we would love to hear, if you would like to share if you have a spare moment.

Summer Term Role of honour

On Wednesday morning, it was an absolute pleasure to celebrate the Values Award winners. The teachers gave so many examples of the wonderful ways the children demonstrate our school values of **Love, Respect** and **Courage** all of the time. In recognition of their continuous high standards, the children get a Values Award badge as well as a certificate. Next week, the winners also have a special treat of going bowling for the afternoon.

This term's Values Award winners are:

Puffin – Oscar A

Ladybird – Julianna L

Donaldson – Grace L

Rosen – Maxwell M

Jeffers – Olivia N

Gravett – Lacie V

Dahl – Lena N

Lewis – Marceyanna J

Riddell – Ted P

Morpurgo – Grace M

Cowell – Kasey C

Ibbotson – Harry Q

Kipling – Isobel L

Collins – Anabelle W

Rundell – Leila D

What is going on in school?

Mrs Bellemere & Miss Porter say...

We have had the most incredible year in EYFS! We have taken part in so many new experiences such as tea tasting, trialling different exotic fruits, pancake sampling, chopped vegetables and made pumpkin soup to name a few. We have been out and about within our local community and visited our local care home sharing stories and playing games with the residents each week. We have also had the opportunity to learn all about healthy eating and keeping our bodies healthy, and Winchester Science Centre. On a normal week the children have had the opportunity to get active and have taken part in PE lessons, yoga and dancing opportunities. They have also been keen explorers down in forest school building fishing rods, making mud pies, playing on the swings and using planks of wood to make seesaws. All of the adults are so proud of the progress the children have made in their reading, writing and maths this year. Their determination and love for learning to take on the golden challenge each week has been amazing! We have loved watching their confidence and maturity grow and can see the children are ready for their next adventure in Year 1.





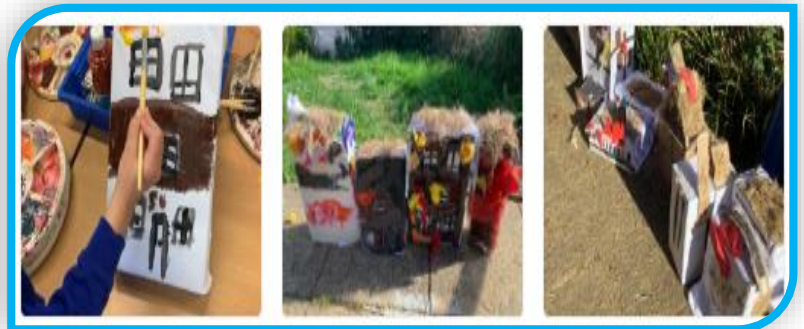
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Miss Knight, Mrs Hadlow, Mrs Norgrove & Mrs Duquemin say...

What a fantastic year we have had in year 1. Our year has been full of exciting topics, fabulous visitors, events, themed weeks, trips and more. We sat with the children last week to reflect on their year in year 1 and they shared their highlights of the year, for many this was a tough task as they couldn't just pick one. Top on the list for many children was of course our trip to Marwell Zoo (most notably the funny monkey with the moustache!) and our more local trip to visit St James's Church. They have also enjoyed welcoming visitors into school, from paramedics to pilots and more in between, and the outcome events we have had where we have welcomed parents into school, from our Christmas singalong, to making sliding stories and our most recent event with games from the past. Other highlights for the children were making shortbread in DT. All in all, it has been a wonderfully busy year and we hope the children have enjoyed it as much as we have!

Miss Oliver & Miss Mursell say...

Firstly, we would just like to start by sharing how proud we are of all the children's hard work and progress this year – they have been superstars! Thinking back to all the wonderful things we have done this year has been lovely; from our thrilling (albeit a bit drizzly) Great Fire of Bramley to our fantastic trip to the Titanic Museum, where it was amazing to see the children so enthused in finding out all about life on board The Titanic. They represented the school fantastically. A huge highlight for us both was watching the children perform in our Christmas production of 'A King is Born'. We were so impressed with the children's ability to learn speaking lines and songs, along with their confidence to get up on stage in front of all the parents and their peers to perform – we couldn't have been prouder! It has also been wonderful seeing so many of the children volunteer to represent the school in different sporting events this year, their enthusiasm to try new things and pushing themselves outside of their comfort zones has been lovely to see. It has been a delight for us both teaching year 2 this year and we can't wait to watch them continue to thrive as they move into year 3.



Mr Taylor & Mr Elkins say...

Year 3 has had an amazing year and we have been blown away by how they have grown throughout this year. They have shown our school values brilliantly across the year, and had fantastic enthusiasm for each topic, their vibrant personalities flourished during our many events, especially during our Victorian Day where they made amazing biscuits and played a range of Victorian Games. There have been many highlights for both of us to see this year, like when they created their fantastic puppet shows and their beautiful Canopic Jars. The year has ended on a high as the children have embraced our school values across the term helping one another with challenging tasks and showing great teamwork during our Sports Week games. We have watched them blossom and show how ready they are for the next chapter in their education.



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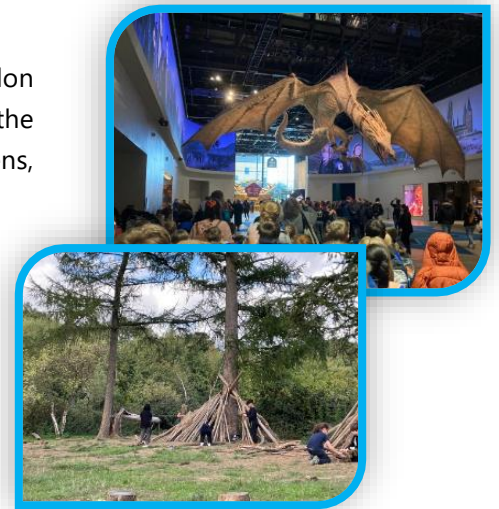
Miss Denham & Miss Humphries say...

Year 4 have had a fantastic year and we couldn't be prouder of the growth in resilience and independence in every child. The children loved going swimming in the Autumn term and their display of our Bramley values, especially courage, was outstanding. We have enjoyed many incredible topics this year such as studying Volcanoes, the Maya and animals. The children have such a variety of highlights to look back on. They enjoyed dressing up for Roman day and role-playing various members of society. We have had lots of fun during our Outcome Events, including watching our animated sports movies and creating an earthquake-proof structure out of toothpicks and marshmallows. The year has ended on a high, with our trip to Ufton Court to learn all about the Vikings where the children became fantastic vicious Vikings and learnt about various shield formations.



Mr Devon & Mrs Beasley say...

This year the children in Year 5 have had exciting school trips visiting The Gordon Brown Centre and Warner Bros Studios. During their time on residential, the children wowed the adults with their enthusiasm and teamwork as they built dens, tackled a trim trail blindfolded and explored the nearby forest in the dark. Our adventure to Warner Bros immersed them into the world of Harry Potter, where they learnt how the magic in the films was created. Another highlight was during our first history topic, where we were joined by 'Iron Age Matt,' who took us through a range of activities, including shield making, investigating different artefacts and weapons training. Amongst all of this, it has been wonderful watching the children develop new skills and broaden their knowledge across our topics throughout the year.



Miss Derry & Mrs Hanson say...



What an amazing year we have had in Year 6! We have been so proud of how the children have demonstrated our school values and been excellent role models for the younger children throughout the year. At the start of the year, we were overwhelmed with the number of children that put themselves forward to be a House Captain and their speeches were impressive – we were glad we did not have to choose! We also had our residential visit to Osmington Bay, where the children took on all the challenges that faced them. The last half term has been jam packed with events, including our Enterprise topic, where the children showed great collaboration to plan, resource and run their stalls at the Family Fun Day. We cannot reflect on this year without mentioning the children's amazing performance at the Haymarket; the children wowed us with their courage

and enthusiasm to produce a truly memorable production. This play topped off what has been a fantastic year and one we hope the children will remember as they take the next step forward in their school journey. We wish them the best of luck and know that they have a great future ahead of them!

Sports Week...

We have had a fantastic penultimate week at school with our Sports Week. Each session, the field and playground have been full of children trying out new sports, playing games to develop their skills or practising some techniques ahead of sports day. Great fun has been had by all – a lovely, fun way to end a busy year!



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As with last year, we have a Competitive Sports element, where the children gather on the field in each key stage – cheering on their peers and their houses. It is an absolute pleasure to watch team work in action and the wonderful determination and perseverance of our children. I am sure that if you live anywhere close to the school, you would have heard the screams and cheering very clearly!

The organisation of this week and both elements of Sports Day has been led by Mr Devon, he has worked incredibly hard to ensure there are a range of activities and events for the children. It is really important that sports day is fun for everyone but there is also an opportunity to practise skills in a friendly, competitive nature.

Good Bye to our Year 6

What a year group! Year 6...I can honestly say it's been a pleasure. Throughout the year you have proven yourselves to be wonderful role models, hard workers and fantastic characters. Each one of you is unique and have your own special qualities which have made you a year group to be proud of. Throughout the year, you have all demonstrated adaptability and resilience. The progress that you all have made as young people and as learners has been exceptional. You have shown us that you are ready to fly at secondary school. No matter how big the challenge that lay ahead...remember you can do it! Good luck to you all. I look forward to hearing all about your new adventures in the future.

Swap Shop

As the end of year draws near, we are looking at ways our Swap Shop can support families into next year. At the end of term, we would like to collect as many school jumpers, cardigans, uniform, trainers / school shoes, pe tops, etc as we can. We will then make them available outside school for families to come and take what they need.

Week 1 of the holidays - please drop off any items at the school entrance.

Friday 28th July – tables of clothing arranged in sizes will be in the car park. Please come along and collect what you need.

*Please ensure all items are clean and in good condition for someone else to make use of.

Inset Days for next year...

The Inset Days for the next academic year have been finalised. The school will be closed to pupils on:

- Friday 1st September 2023
- Friday 20th October 2023
- Monday 19th February 2024
- Monday 22nd July 2024
- Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Thank you for your ongoing support, we hope you all have a restful weekend ready for a fantastic last week!

Take care

Mr Steve Moore
Executive Head of School



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Key dates:

The last week...

Monday	New Classes Transition Session KS2 Bramley's Got Talent
Tuesday	KS1 Bramley's Got Talent Year 6 Leavers Service in Church Values Award Winners Bowling Trip
Wednesday	*Sports Day
Thursday	
Friday	Year 6 Leavers Assembly – Yr6 Parents invited End of term
Summer Holidays	
Friday September 1st	Inset Day
Monday September 4th	School starts at 8:30