

Newsletter 11 May 2018

Dear parents and carers,
Please help us to ensure that our staff can get to work on time!

Staff car parks are for members of staff, school club coaches and approved permit holders only so please do not park in these at any time of the day. If you are a permit holder and have a permit issued from the school please ensure you display this on the dashboard clearly. Members of staff have been unable to park on occasions due to parents/carers taking up spaces so please park considerately in the surrounding roads when dropping off/collecting children.

Mrs Sansom
Headteacher

Reading Challenge

A big thank you to everyone who took part in the Reading challenge. There was a huge range of books that children read, which was great to see! The total raised was £975 which will be used to buy new books for our libraries. Thank you for your continued support with our fundraising.



School Council

A big thank you to all of the School Council, who performed amazingly in both the Key Stage 1 and 2 assemblies on Monday. They taught the rest of the school about democracy and our democratic system. Their hard work and effort to learn their lines and decode tricky words made me so proud!
Well done, Miss Philpot

Your Views Matter to Us

We would like to hear your views about the school to improve our school improvement plan for the next academic year. Please go to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> and click on 'give your views' on the top grey bar. There are 12 quick questions to respond to and space for explaining your answer if required. Thank you in advance.

Values Based Education

We will be learning the value of 'Quality' this month. Pupils and our school community will learn to ensure they use the best materials and do their best with those materials. We will reflect that quality thoughts lead to quality words which lead to quality action.

"Quality is not an act, it is a habit" Aristotle

"Quality means doing it right when no one is looking" Henry Ford

School Crossing Patrol

Our resident lollipop lady who patrols at the top of Gaynes Park Road will not be at her post due to other commitments on the following dates:

15 May – 25 May

18 July – PM

Parental Donations

Thank you to those parents who are kindly making monthly or one off donations to our school fund account. We are using these funds to support the purchase of resources in school. If you do not currently make a donation and would like to, our bank details are as follows

Acct name: Branfil school fund account

Sort code: 30.14.24

Account number 00976304

This academic year we have received £510 in parental donations. This is very much appreciated.

Thank you.

The Friday Night Junior Club

A Friday night Junior club is held at The Robert Beard/Olive Academy in Hornchurch from 6.30pm – 8.00pm. This is an opportunity for our Y5/6 pupils who are soon to make the transition from primary to secondary education to meet other children and make new friendships. The activities include games, pool, arts & crafts, table tennis, Xbox, sport, life skills and many more.

For more information contact 01708 450609 or 07947 257562.

School Nurse

Our school nurse, Denise Ellis, will be doing drop in sessions on Wednesday 23 May & Wednesday 18 July. She is here for anyone who has any concerns about their child and would like to discuss them with her.

Havering Catering Competitions

Flyers will be coming home with your child shortly advertising competitions for KS1 & KS2.



'The Crunch Bunch Badge Days' is aimed at KS2 and involves badge collection on specific days. Once the full 10 badges are collected children are entered into a prize draw for a bike and a crash helmet.

'The Crunch Bunch Colour me in and recipe' competition is for KS1 only and involves a poster being coloured in and a recipe competition. The winner will receive a terms worth of school lunches which will be honoured when they move up to KS2.

Keep a look out for flyers coming your way soon!

Theme Day & School Census 17 May

Thursday 17 May is CENSUS day in school and some of our funding is reliant on the number of children in Reception and KS1 who stay for school lunches. To encourage children to stay for lunch we are holding a theme day which is 'Fun at the Circus' and the meal that day will be:

Beef Big-Topped Wedges

Fish Fingers with Curly Fries

Cheese & Tomato pizza with curly fries

Sweetcorn & Peas

Ice Cream Tub

(also available fresh fruit, yoghurt, cheese and crackers)

Please encourage your Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 child to have school dinners next Thursday and help us with our funding.

Thank you

INSET days 2018/2019

Governors have approved the following INSET days when school is closed to pupils for staff training:

3 & 4 September 2018

29 October 2018

7 January 2019

3 June 2019

Pupil of the Week



27 April

Sienna Avers, Tilly Clark, Rebekah Cave, Ruby Summerfield, Amelie Murray, William McKerrow, Joe Day, Jessica Vinten, Farid Olanrewaju, Elani Asrat, Kieran McWilliam, Harris Chowdry, Poppy Smith, Damien Cenkus, Caitlin Collins, Evelyn Fuller, Oliver Cossington, Roxie Leavens, Kara Smith, Jack Rowlandson

4 May

Michael Pedrick, Amelia Walby, Casian Pascarioiu, Lilia West, Leyla Wakeham, Jenson Morrissey, Olivia Bowyer, Joseph Teleki, Sophie Bridger, Tobeche Chesa, Thomas McDonach, Daya Ghuman, Jack Hignett, Bella Cross, Alfie Wooding, Liam Hernandez, Simran Kular, Harry Thorogood-Sneade, Georgia Fordham, Stanley Pigott,

Learning Objectives for this week

Below are links to our year group pages where you will be able to find our Learning Objectives for this week:

Reception: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year0/>

Y1: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year1/>

Y2: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year2/>

Y3: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year3/>

Y4: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year4/>

Y5: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year5/>

Y6: <http://www.branfil.com/yg/year6/>

Summer Term Dates	
Thursday 29 March	School closes normal time for Easter break
Fri 30 – Fri 13 April	Easter Break
Monday 16 April	School reopens 8:40am KS2 & 8.50am Reception & KS1
Wednesday 18 April	4 Larch swimming begins
Thursday 19 April	Year 1 – 6 Whole school Book Looks 3.45 -5.00pm
May	Y2 Assessment month
Wednesday 2 May	Reception visit to Thorndon Country Park
Thursday 3 May	School closed – Polling station
Monday 7 May	School closed – May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 8 May	School Photographer – Class photos
Wednesday 9 May	Ash class stay & play 9.05am
Thursday 10 May	Elm class stay & play 9.05am
Friday 11 May	Fir class stay & play 9.05am
Mon 14 May –Thur 17 May	Year 6 SATS
Mon 21 May – Fri 25 May	Year 6 Residential visit to Gilwell Park
Tuesday 15 May	Parent Forum meeting 5.00-6.00pm
Monday 21 May	Y1 visit to Southend Sealife Centre
Tuesday 22 May	2018 new intake meeting 5.00- 6.00pm
Wednesday 23 May	Year 5/6 visit to Stubbers Activity Centre
Friday 25 May	School closes at normal time for Half Term Break
Mon 28 – Fri 1 June	School Closed Half Term Break
Monday 4 June	School re-opens 8.40am KS2 & 8.50am Reception & KS1
Tuesday 5 June	5 Hawthorn visit to Tower Bridge
Friday 8 June	5 Alder visit to Tower Bridge
Mon 11 June – Fri 15 June	Phonics screening Y1 & 2
Tuesday 12 June	KS2 Sports morning 9.20am If cancelled due to bad weather – alternative date Tuesday 26 June
Thursday 14 June	Y5 & Y6 Lego Robotic Workshops
Wednesday 20 June	Reception & KS1 sports morning 9.30am If cancelled due to bad weather - alternative date Wednesday 4 July
Thursday 28 June	Years 3 and 4 Mad Science workshops
Friday 29 June	5 Aspen visit to Tower Bridge
Friday 6 July	Y4 Rainham Marshes Educational visit
Friday 13 July	Annual reports sent home
Monday 16 July	Year 6 play : dress rehearsal
Monday 16 July	R & KS1 Lead Learner assembly
Tuesday 17 July	KS2 Lead Learner assembly
Tuesday 17 July	Y6 Leavers’ production 7.30pm
Wednesday 18 July	Y6 Leavers’ disco tbc
Thursday 19 July	Y6 Mini Market
Friday 20 July	School closes at normal time for summer break