

## Newsletter 3rd September 2021

Dear parents and carers

Welcome back to another school year. I hope you enjoyed the holiday, despite the lack of summer weather! The children have made a really positive start with their new teachers – thank you for helping to ensure they are ready to continue their learning in school again.

Yesterday, we launched our new vision for Branfil for the next five years:

### EVERYONE LEARNING TOGETHER

Branfil is a vibrant learning community where we nurture lifelong learners who embody our school values and make a positive contribution to the world.

Adults and children feel valued and love learning together. Everyone thrives and achieves personal success through being happy, safe and confident learners, who ask questions, take appropriate risks, learn from their mistakes and seek help when needed.

This vision will be central to all decisions made from now on.

We also have five new core values, to underpin the vision:

L	Love	Love yourself, love life and love learning
E	Explore	Be curious, ask questions, learn from your mistakes
A	Aspire	Aim high – keep learning and developing
R	Respect	Respect yourself, each other, and the environment
N	Nurture	Look after your mental, spiritual and physical health

We will focus on one each half term, with **LOVE** being our focus currently. Please talk to the children about what these values mean to them and make reference to the values at home too.

I feel confident that our new vision and values will ensure that every member of our school community works, and learns, together effectively to ensure we provide the very best for all of our children. I am excited and hopeful about Branfil's future – I hope you are too.

I hope you enjoy the weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Sansom  
Headteacher

### PE Days

Please see below for the days that the children will be required to come into school wearing their PE kit:



1 Lime	Monday and Thursday
1 Pine	Tuesday and Thursday
1 Willow	Tuesday and Thursday
2 Beech	Wednesday and Friday
2 Cedar	Tuesday and Friday
2 Holly	Monday and Wednesday
3 Hazel	Tuesday and Thursday
3 Maple	Wednesday and Thursday
3 Oak	Monday and Wednesday
4 Birch	Wednesday and Friday
4 Larch	Wednesday and Friday
4 Rowan	Wednesday and Thursday
5 Alder	Wednesday and Thursday
5 Aspen	Tuesday and Friday
5 Hawthorn	Monday and Thursday
6 Acacia	Monday and Tuesday
6 Chestnut	Tuesday and Wednesday
6 Hornbeam	Monday and Tuesday

### Swimming

5 Alder and 6 Chestnut will be having swimming lessons on Wednesdays up until Christmas. A letter has gone out today with all the information. Pupils should still wear their PE kits on this day. 5 Aspen and 5 Hawthorn will be swimming in the spring term.



## Google Classroom



All pupils have been given their Google Classroom invite to their new classroom by their teachers. They need to accept the invite in order to access Google Classroom please.

## Contact with teachers

A reminder to parents/carers that they can contact their child's class teacher by using the following emails:

[year1@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year1@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year2@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year2@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year3@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year3@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year4@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year4@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year5@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year5@branfil.havering.sch.uk)  
[year6@branfil.havering.sch.uk](mailto:year6@branfil.havering.sch.uk)

## Magazines Wanted

We are currently in the process of updating our school and class libraries. So that we can provide a variety of genres to the children, we are asking for donations of children's magazines, comics and age appropriate newspapers. If you have any that would be beneficial for our children, then please ask your child to pass them on to their class teacher when they have finished with them. Thank you.



## Happy Birthday!

Sienna, Johnathan, Ben, Lily, Joshua, Freddy, Oliver, Amelia, Emily, Harry, Zachary, Finley and Harry.



Wednesday, 8th September 2021	Reception children starting half days
Wednesday, 15th September 2021	Reception children starting full time

INSET DAYS FOR 2021/2022
Friday 19th November 2021
Tuesday 4th January 2022
Tuesday 19th April 2022
Friday 22nd July 2022