



Raglan Upcoming Dates

- Art Café** – Tuesday 27th February – Friday 1st March
- Pre Loved Uniform Sale** – Friday 1st March
- School Photos** – Wednesday 6th March
- Pandas Family Assembly** – Friday 8th March
- Book Fair Opens** – Friday 8th March

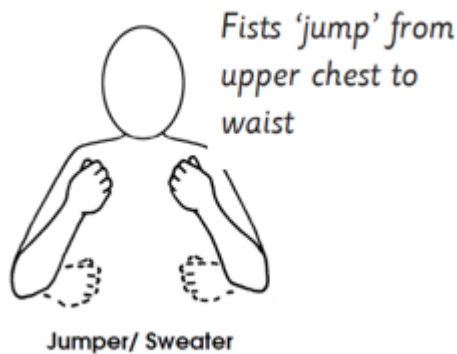
Week beginning 26th February

Language of the Week

Language	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Welsh	Helo	Bore Da	Prynhawn da
St David's Day 1st March			

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KqIT-Zk3_ek

The Makaton Sign of the week 'Jumper'



Character Virtue of the Week



Double click on the link below for a video

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful half term. I am hoping that your children read a new book over the half term, (or are about to finish one), for upcoming World Book Day.

It has been a busy week of learning in our school this week. On my learning walks this week I timed my visit to EYFS very well indeed! The children in nursery were making vegetable soup! Children were also having great fun (whilst learning) listening to adults reading a story with puppet props.

I then visited the reception classes where I was really pleased with the quality of the children's sentence structuring, and their developing phonics knowledge. It was lovely to see the children enjoying construction as well as making bracelets using different elements of nature for a pattern.

I also timed my trips to KS2 well. Both Year 1 and 2 have been blitzing times tables this week, and looking for patterns within times tables. Year 1 have also been placing numbers in ascending and descending order. Year 2 have been exploring the commutative law in maths (swapping numbers and still getting the same answers.) Year 1 have also been exploring different elements of the weather. It was terrific to visit both year groups in PE and see Year 1 developing gymnastic movements and Year 2 children working together brilliantly as teams.



What a brilliant experience it is dropping into the ARPS each week. In Sharks and Frogs I have seen children learning Makaton and the new sign of the week (properties), securing phonics, and also working through their individual Speech and Language target work. It is terrific seeing the differentiated learning that goes on – often there are 5 or 6 different learning experiences happening. This is done to try and meet the individual needs of children as much as possible.

Year 3 have produced some stunning Art pieces this week. The use of the colour blue as a back drop for their Art pieces was highly effective. In English children have been developing their retrieval skills by reading and learning about Elephants in Africa and Asia; as well as finding out the differences between the two species of elephants. I was filled with joy dropping into maths sessions in Year 4 across the week. They have been converting improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa. This is underpinned by a knowledge of times tables. You cannot do this effectively without knowing your times tables. Children in Year 4 have also begun science work on living organisms. More to follow on this!

Once again I was wowed by Year 5 maths books! Children have been securing learning perimeter and compound shapes. They have also been solving perimeter themed logic and reasoning questions. In whole class reading Year 5 have also been developing their retrieval and inference skills. In Year 6 children have been securing more complex area and perimeter questions; using algebraic formulas to do so. I really look forward to my teaching commitments in Year 6 each week. I was delighted to begin the creative writing piece based on the story of the Alchemist's Son. The range of vocabulary that children are using in their narrative pieces is growing substantially and therefore is their depth of description and pace of the story itself which makes you feel like you are part of what the children are writing.

Learning is for Everyone at Raglan and Our Curriculum Drivers – Assembly

This week in whole school assembly I reminded the children about our philosophy for learning and curriculum drivers. Our curriculum drivers are the values that underpin and thread their way through the topics the children learn. These drivers were established before my time, but still absolutely resonate and are meaningful for our school, local, national and global communities. Our curriculum drivers are:

- Initiative – Get Up and Do it
- Environment – Making a Difference
- Community and Diversity – Belonging
- Communication – Finding Your Voice

There is a small catch phrase for each that I have come up with, which I hope the children will remember and know what we mean by each driver. Our curriculum drivers work in tandem with our Raglan Character Virtues of KIND, READY, SAFE, CONFIDENT, RESILIENT and INDEPENDENT. It goes without saying that we are aspirational in our expectations that children reach their full potential academically. That said, it is equally important that all children develop our Raglan Character virtues and secure the nature of our curriculum drivers, because these are the skills and attributes that will help your children succeed through every phase of their schooling and life.

Use this [link](#) to see the slides from the Assembly showing our Raglan Curriculum.



BYMT

BROMLEY YOUTH MUSIC TRUST

EASTER SOUNDS

Tuesday 9th April – Thursday 11th April
9.30am-12.30pm

For children at the start of their musical journey, in School years 3-7. £84 per course (bursaries available)

BAND ON THE RUN

BEGINNERS COURSE – LEARN TO PLAY THE CLARINET, SAXOPHONE, TRUMPET OR TROMBONE IN A BAND

STRINGS ON THE RUN

BEGINNERS COURSE – LEARN TO PLAY THE VIOLIN OR CELLO IN AN ORCHESTRA

PERCUSSION ON THE RUN

BEGINNERS COURSE – LEARN TO PLAY DJEMBE DRUMS & ORCHESTRAL PERCUSSION

KEYBOARD & UKULELE ON THE RUN

BEGINNERS COURSE – LEARN TO PLAY THE KEYBOARD AND UKULELE

Tuesday 9th April – Thursday 11th April
1.30pm-4.30pm

For children continuing their musical journey, up to grade 3 standard in school years 3-7. £84 per course (bursaries available)

BYMT WIND BAND

FOR ALL WOODWIND, BRASS & PERCUSSION PLAYERS WHO CAN READ MUSIC, FROM BEGINNER TO GRADE 3 STANDARD



Volunteers

Could you spare a bit of time each week to read 1:1 with the Reception children? If you are interested, please could you speak to the EYFS team or email reception@raglan.bromley.sch.uk.

Congratulations Green House

Congratulations to Green House for their team points victory last half term. Children in Green House came to school today dressed in green to signify their victory. A massive well done!



Reception

The Reception children listened to the story Martha's Maps and drew maps of forest school during our outdoor learning sessions.

We also discussed and learnt about the traditional Christian Festival 'Shrove Tuesday' and had fun making and tasting pancakes.

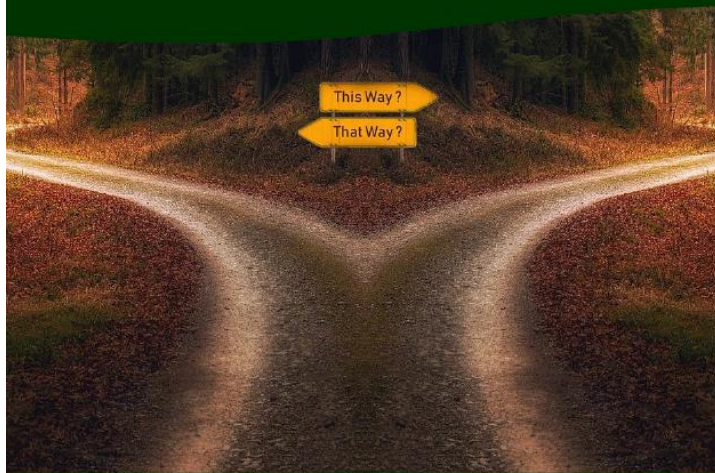


Nursery

Nursery children have been busy this week identifying different vegetables and using their fine motor skills and hand to eye co-ordination to cut up vegetables. We used the cut vegetables and made it into soup which the children enjoyed eating for their afternoon snack.



What to do after having an assessment for dyslexia?



★ This Open Meeting will take place on Zoom (Online) ★

Pre-registration required – email info@dyslexiawise.co.uk to request online registration link

FREE WEBINAR
Wed 28th February 2024

Meeting starts at 8pm

Speaker
Peter Stanton

Advice and Support from the Dyslexia Association of Bexley, Bromley, Greenwich & Lewisham
☎ 0300 999 1800 📧 info@dyslexiawise.co.uk
🌐 www.dyslexiawise.co.uk



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Upcoming Webinars

For parents and carers living in Bromley

Join us for online training sessions on a variety of topics
Time: 7.30-9.00pm

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| • Wednesday 6th March: | Navigating Bromley services |
| • Wednesday 12th June: | Reducing parental conflict |
| • Wednesday 11th September: | Effective communication between home and school |
| • Wednesday 13th November: | Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA) and parenting |

We will ask for your consent to record the webinars and for recordings to be shared.

Please register your place in advance by emailing SpecialistASC@bromleymencap.org



Friday 1st March

PRE-LOVED

SCHOOL JUMPER & CARDIGAN SALE

Great quality branded school jumpers and cardigans
only **£2** each

KS1 & KS2 Playgrounds from 3.15pm

At Raglan, we champion sustainability. Why not buy quality second-hand uniform for a fraction of the shop price and help us raise money for the school?

Save the date!

Friday 22nd March

Pre-Loved uniform sale.

Stock up on all the essentials ready for the Summer term



Maths Glorious Maths!

I would like to thank the terrific number of parents and carers who came along to our Maths Information Evening yesterday. This was led by Mr Farmer, our Maths Leader. He covered the mastery approach to maths that we use, showed the progression of maths and what children are required to do across KS1 and KS2. In addition to this, he also explained to parents the times tables expectations we have at Raglan.

Several of you have asked about the various methods we use for calculations. The link [here](#) takes you directly to the Maths Calculation Policy on our website to save you trying to find it. This is a good place to start. In addition to this we are looking to hold a follow up 'calculations maths evening' which will be a practical session showing the methods we teach children for maths across the year groups. This will be a very useful session to attend as it will help you with home learning for maths. The date of this evening is Thursday 23rd May 6pm – 7pm. We have capacity for 60 people and will confirm to you later in the year how to book your place.

Thank you to Mr Farmer for organising and leading the evening. Again, as Mr Farmer highlighted, it is critical that children learn their times tables as soon as possible. The progression of learning times tables document can be found [here](#). Use this as your guide to help your children.



St. Olave's Grammar School:

An exciting opportunity for boys in Year 5

WAKEHAM CHORISTERSHIP

Are you a boy in Year 5 who likes to sing?
Maybe you're already a member of a choir?

St. Olave's Grammar School has 4 places for Year 7 entry available every year via our Wakeham Choristership scheme singing with the prestigious choir at:

The King's Chapel of The Savoy

Singing in a Chapel Royal Choir
Musical training at the highest standard
Admission to one of the country's best state schools

**APPLICANTS MUST BE BORN BETWEEN
1 SEPTEMBER 2013 – 31 AUGUST 2014**

Applications open via our website on 26 February 2024
and close on 22 March 2024

for further information on how to apply and what's involved please see our website www.saintolaves.net



BDP Dental Bromley (Chatterton Dental Surgery)

Chatterton Dental Surgery is supporting the local community by providing appointments for dental care and advice on oral hygiene for all children. We encourage parents to book in for their children's routine dental examination. If a child has not been seen before, please click on the link and fill out the form for a new patient at www.bdpdental.co.uk/n-p. Alternatively, please call us on 02084600476.

And Finally...

Please do not forget about World Book Day coming up. Ensure that your child(ren) come to school with the book they have read and are ready to discuss this with their peers. I would also like to thank those parents that came to the Maths Information Evening led by Mr Farmer. I do hope that parents left feeling more confident about supporting their children's home learning with maths.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr De Freitas