



Raglan Upcoming Dates

Half Term - 12th – 16th February
Maths Calculation Information Evening – Thursday 22nd February 6-7pm
Art Café – Tuesday 27th February – Friday 1st March
School Photos – Wednesday 6th March
Pandas Family Assembly – Friday 8th March
Book Fair Opens – Friday 8th March

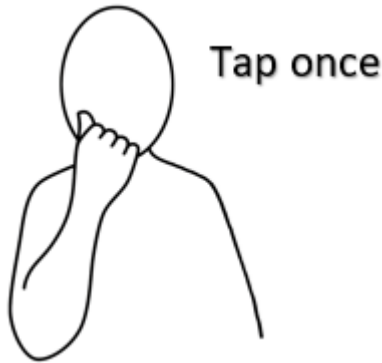
Week beginning 19th February

Language of the Week

Language	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Filipino (Tagalog)	Kumusta	Magandang umaga	Magandang tanghali

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The Makaton Sign of the Week is 'Numbers'



Character Virtue of the Week



Double click on the link below for a video



Dear Parents and Carers,

Your children deserve every credit for an amazing half term of learning. The children have embraced their topics and learning challenges with enthusiasm. It is indeed a privilege to walk through the school weekly and see the hubbub of learning taking place, across all subject areas. Your children continue to inspire us all. They provide the staff team with the motivation to keep going the extra mile.

I would like to thank the staff team for their unrelenting efforts in providing the terrific service they do for your children. I have endless conversations about children across every day and week. You would expect this because we are a school. That said, there is something extra, something special about the level of care and nurture staff provide all children. The staff team are constantly trying to think of new ways to engage children with learning and support their well-being. The children are, and always will be at the heart of our school.

Parents' Evening Feedback

I would like to thank you all for the overwhelming and incredible support you have for the school and your children's teachers. Your praise and appreciation of them and the entire staff team is very humbling and means a huge amount to the staff.



Thank you for your constructive feedback also. I have asked Mrs Prescott to arrange for external and internal signage to help facilitate entry, direction to classes and exiting. I think we also need to look at external lighting as well. Although most parents and carers are very happy with home learning, we are looking at our home learning provision going forward. There will be more to come on this after half term, in preparation for the summer term we hope. Home learning is never an easy project to ensure complete satisfaction. Some parents and carers want more, some less, some think the current provision is great, and some do not want it at all! I look at home learning like this; it has to support what we do at school, help develop the key skills (Reading / Writing / Times tables / Maths), allow children opportunities to research and be creative and prepare children for what lies ahead at secondary school. What I mean by secondary school is that getting your child into a solid and consistent routine with home learning from the onset will make the adjustment and transition to secondary that much smoother. I wish to thank you all for the huge number of positive comments about the information that was conveyed to you in the 10 minute time slot you had at parents' evening. We appreciate that it is a lot to get in, which is why the class teachers prepare the way they do in advance. So many of you commented on the excellent organisation, preparation and information delivered by the teachers. Ideally we would love to give you all more time but this would add enormously to an already huge workload that the teachers have.

We are so very grateful for the partnership that we have with you. I will be the first person to put up my hand to say that we don't get things 100% correct on every occasion, but we do everything we can to learn and improve. What the staff do ensure is an unrelenting determination to try to provide the very best of service, provision, environment, education and care for your children. We don't ever take for granted the partnership we have with you, and the strength of this means that our school has the community spirit it does. Again, on behalf of the staff team, thank you for your incredible support and kind words.

Assembly News

This week has been a very busy week of assemblies.

On Monday, as part of Safer Internet Week, Miss Grange (our Computing Leader) led assembly for Online Safety. She reminded children of some very key online safety messages such as: telling a trusted adult if an unknown person is trying to access them online, reporting negative behaviours and language used online in chat and not participating in these conversations, as well as not sharing any personal information with people that are unknown to them. Miss Grange also covered the issue of phishing and filtering in order to raise children's awareness of these two areas, and why children need to be alert to these. The slides from Miss Grange's assembly are on our website for you to access should you wish to. You can find them [here](#).



On Tuesday, as part of National Mental Health Week our Mental Health Leader (Mrs Turner) and ELSA Leader (Mrs Henderson) led an assembly. This was very informative for children. This year's mental health week theme is My Voice Matters. We learnt that every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views taken seriously. We shared a story about how a young person spoke up and used their voice to make a difference to something that mattered to them. **Your Voice Matters: at Raglan we do things as a team. When we join together we can make the biggest impact.**



On Wednesday, we had Rebecca Tanner from the London Borough of Bromley Hearing Impaired Team. This was an excellent opportunity for children to see how people with hearing impairment navigate the world around them. Rebecca was wonderfully supported by one of the children from our Speech and Language Provision (who is hearing impaired.) The presentation also featured one of the 'Gladiators' who is hearing impaired. The children found this inspiring as the 'Gladiator' hears nothing when competing! This was a superb presentation for children to experience.



On Friday, I led the half termly 'Certificate and House Points Championship Assembly.' I would like to congratulate all of the children that received Head Teacher Certificates for firstly, sustained outstanding behaviour for learning and secondly, for being an excellent role model at lunchtimes. The sheer volume of children that could have received these certificates is huge and I would encourage all those that were not nominated this time to keep being the very best person they can be. You all matter and you are all the best of role models and learners. All of these children receive 20 House Points for their efforts. This number of House Points can only be given for these half termly certificates.

House Half Term Championship

Congratulations to Green House for their triumph this half term. This is an excellent achievement and a total team effort. As a result of their victory, on Friday 23rd February children in Green House only will be allowed to attend school dressed completely in green, partially in green, or wear school uniform with a green accessory. There is no expectation for parents or carers to go and buy new garments or accessories for this day. Children in Green House will also have their celebratory additional afternoon break after lunch on Friday 23rd February. A massive congratulations to Green House.

The totals were:

Green House:	2017
Red House:	1757
Blue House:	1740
Yellow House:	1609



Home Languages Survey

I wish to thank you for completing the Home Languages Survey. Our EAL and Language Lead, Miss Goulds, is compiling the information so that we have an accurate picture of the languages spoken throughout the school community. We are looking at different strategies to further strengthen the provision of language acquisition and development for all children; but especially for those who do not have English as a first language.

Boys' Football

On Monday, Raglan boys travelled to Warren Road Primary School to play our third Premiership fixture. Coming off the back of a win and a draw whilst not conceding a single goal in the process, we were keen to challenge Warren Road and take home all three points. To my delight, the boys were victorious winning the game 3-0. After a slow start, the boys began to showcase their defensive solidarity and attacking flair, going into halftime two goals ahead off the back of some fantastic forward play. During the halftime interval, the boys listened diligently and remained focused to ensure we entered the second half with humility and composure, which helped dictate the play and score an additional goal. We now go into our final game against Redhill with everything to play for. I am massively proud of each player, and their continuous positivity and willingness to grow individually and as a collective. A massive thanks to all the parents as well - your continued help with transport and positivity in supporting the boys both on and off the pitch does not go unnoticed. Mr Sykes

Bake Off

The EYFS Team would like to say a big thanks to everyone. Our Valentine Bake Sale and Raffle was a great success and that is all thanks to parents/carers and children. We have managed to raise over £700. This could not have been achieved without your generous and kind support.

The efforts which the children went to made it really hard to judge and there were so many fabulous cakes to choose from. Our expert panel of Independent judges were blown away (Giles from Hit & Miss, expert baker and staff member Michelle Belton, our very own Mrs Prescott, and three children from KS1 & KS2 happily helped score the winners).

Raglan Bake Off Winners

Parent Baker: Mrs Sally Kemble | Runner up: Mrs Sallie Pitfield

Staff Baker: Miss Day | Runner up: Mrs Henderson

KS1: Lennie Robinson Hutton | Otilie Friars

KS2: Amelia Walter | Runner up: Noah Jordan

Valentine Raffle Winners

Glam Night: Elsie Gouldridge

Indulgent Pamper: Amy Paige

Wellness Pamper: Karly Cameron

Quiet Night In: Tiffany Trood

We hope you all managed to grab a slice of cake, they really were tasty. Thank you to all our star bakers.



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20mph Petition Update

Thank you all for your support over the last four weeks with our 20mph speed limit petition. The response from parents, carers and students has been wonderful to witness. Once again, it reminds me of what a great sense of community our school has! Our paper petition filled an impressive 78 pages and received 567 signatures and, when added to the supporting e-petition, we have received over 900 signatures of support.

The paper petition was delivered to the council offices today, along with a covering letter, co-signed by our Raglan JTAs. The timescale for a formal response from Bromley Council is currently 10-14 working days, so I will update you as soon as I receive their reply.



DENTAL BEAUTY

— MOTTINGHAM —

WELCOMING NEW **NHS** PATIENTS

Half Term Kids Day

FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY





Free Kids check-ups
Goody bags, Surprises and fun!

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Join us for our Half Term Kids Day on Friday 16th February



Free Dental Check-Ups

Our team of experienced and friendly dentists will be on hand to provide comprehensive dental check-ups, ensuring each child receives personalised attention and care.



Goody Bags

Every child attending the event will receive a delightful goody bag filled with dental care essentials and some surprises that are sure to bring a smile to their faces!



Surprises Galore!

Throughout the event, we have planned numerous surprises. From interactive games to engaging activities!



Tips & Tricks

We will show your child how to brush their teeth thoroughly and start a good dental hygiene regime at a young age.

This event is completely **free of charge**, and we welcome children between the ages of 4-16 who do not have regular access to dental care.

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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.

Science Club

Raglan Science Club were fortunate enough to be chosen as panel members for the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize 2023. We were sent a bundle of the 6 shortlisted titles and the children did a fantastic job of reviewing each of the books against set criteria. We had a clear winner that we nominated and we will be waiting to find out the overall winner when they are announced in March. The children very much enjoyed this experience and, as an added bonus, the school get to keep the books, which will be a wonderful addition to our Science resources that will inspire our children to read about Science.



Safeguarding over the half term

A reminder to all parents and carers that should you need to contact the school for any family emergency or safeguarding concern please email:

safeguardingteam@raglan.bromley.sch.uk

The emails are accessed by the school Strategic Safeguarding Team comprising of Mrs Mead, Mr Hunter, Mrs Collins and I. Parents are reminded that I am the Designated Safeguarding Leader, and that Mrs Ingrey, Mr Hunter and Mrs Collins are all our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leaders. We all access the safeguarding email inbox over the break to check for any messages.

And Finally...

As World Book Day approaches I would ask that you all try and ensure that your child reads a book over the half term in preparation for our World Book Day Celebration. As you know we are expecting children to bring in a book they have read to promote and share with their peers. We are hoping to make this year all about the book and the reading.

In addition to reading, I would implore you to have your children keep learning and mastering their times tables as early and as soon as possible. The children in Year 4 last week had their mock times table test (the real statutory test is in the summer term.) The result of their mock test was very positive and this is because so many of them have mastered their times tables in Year 3, and further strengthened them this year.

This half term has whizzed by. It always does I find! I wish you all a safe, relaxing and happy half term.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 19th February ready to go for the second part of the Spring Term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr De Freitas