

NEWSLETTER

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Raglan Upcoming Dates

Life Bus — Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th March
Provision Visit to Biggin Hill — Wednesday 27th March
CASPA Day — Thursday 28th March
Last day of term (school finishes at normal time) — Thursday 28th March
Back to school — Monday 15th April

Week beginning 25th March

Language of the Week

Language	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Tamil	Vanakkam	Kaalai Vanakkam	Madhiya vaṇakkam
	வணக்கம்!	காலை	மதிய வணக்கம்
		வணக்கம்	

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The Makaton Sign of the week 'Happy Easter'



Character Virtue of the week



Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is racing towards an end. Your children have been working with great enthusiasm and energy which for this time of the term is terrific. As the summer term approaches us and the weather warms up I would like to remind parents and carers to please ensure your child has a hat they can wear in to school on sunny, warm and hot days. Please ensure it is named.

I would like to send out a massive thank you to our Lunchtime Supervision team. The team on both playgrounds do an incredible job across the week. Anything and everything happens at lunchtime. Apart from the supervision, the staff are our first line for first aid, they resolve any issues between children, facilitate friendships and game play, as well as use the time to further strengthen partnerships with children. It is the busiest time of the day with so many moving pieces. Every staff member and team is an important one, but I thought that with summer looming it was a great time to recognise the selfless, enthusiastic and determined way the lunchtime team go about making lunch the best and safest experience they can for your children. On the Key Stage 1 playground our Year 5 and 6 Agents for Change are also supporting play, games and friendships. This has been a huge success. One that other schools in our Trust are mirroring. They also deserve every credit. At present we are looking to encourage more Year 4 and 5 children to join the Agents program for next year and follow in the footsteps of the Year 6 Agents for Change – who will leave a thriving legacy.

Again, a massive thank you to the lunchtime supervision team.

There has been a lot of learning going on across the school this week again but I wanted to give a special 'shout out' to Year 2. They stepped back in time to the Victorian era this week. Tuesday was Victorian Day. Children and staff came in to school in costume and role – experiencing a day of what it was like to be at school in the Victorian period. The children discovered how different that experience was to todays! A massive congratulations to Year 2 and the Year 2 Team of adults for making this a day to remember.

Home Learning Change

I would urge all parents and carers to read the separate letter that has come home about the changes we have made to Home Learning.



Help needed from builders/carpenters/handy people

We desperately need help with building something that will create shade in our KS2 playground and provision playground. If there is anyone in our parent body that could help us, please get in touch by emailing eprescott@raglan.bromley.sch.uk

JTA Success

The JTAs received an exciting delivery this week - new school banners celebrating our Gold Level *Travel for Life* accreditation from Transport for London. These are now displayed by both school entrances to promote the travel status to the wider community. Well done JTAs!



Lacrosse

Last Friday, children from Year 3, 4 and 5 got to experience the exciting and fast paced game of lacrosse. Coached by an expert player, the children were exposed to some basics of the game including holding the stick, moving with the ball and picking up the ball from the floor.

The children then competed in some head to head games and activities where they put these newly found skills into practice.

The day was a real success and the children clearly enjoyed the sport. Seeing as it is clearly extremely popular, I will be looking into the viability of bringing a lacrosse club to Raglan in the future.

My thanks to both coaches for creating such a wonderful experience for the children.

Mr Boorman Year 4 teacher and PE lead







Update:

ESOL Family Learning Programme starts 26th April

Czy mówisz po angielsku w drugim języku? Você fala inglês como segunda língua? Вы говорите на английском как на втором языке? Vorbiţi engleza ca a doua limbă?







நீங்கள் இரண்டாவது மொழியாக ஆங்கிலம் பேசுகிறீர்களா?

We are pleased to say that the ESOL Family Learning English course will begin at Raglan after the Easter holidays. This is a **free** opportunity for parents/carers who speak English as a second language to improve their English and gain a better understanding of what their child is learning and how to support them. It will be led by an ESOL tutor from Bromley Adult Education College.

Miss Goulds has already spoken to a number of parents who have shown an interest and they will be sent a letter and form to complete in due course. There will be a limited number of places on the course and these will be offered on a first come first served basis.

If you are interested in joining this course and are yet to speak to Miss Goulds, please email year 1 @raglan.bromley.sch.uk.

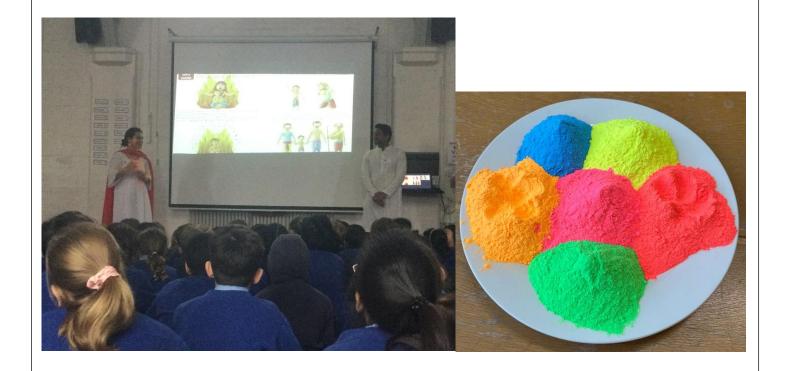
Provision

The Provision have had a lovely time mud painting outside. They were asked to paint anything that they could see and use their imagination. The results were brilliant!



Holi Assembly - Inspirational!

Today Mr and Mrs Singh (parents of two children in our school) led a wonderfully inspirational assembly about Holi. This is the Indian Festival that marks the end of winter and the arrival of Spring. As well as discussing with the children what Holi is and symbolises, Mr and Mrs Singh shared with the children the story of Holi, (the celebration of the Hindu God Krishna, and the legend of Holika and Prahad.) The children were engaged and enthralled throughout. The children were fascinated with why the celebration uses colours to celebrate this time — which Mr Singh explained. This was a magical experience and an assembly to remember. We are massively grateful to Mr and Mrs Singh for their time this morning, and the assembly that they have led today. We look forward to them returning to celebrate Diwali.





Raglan's Wear Green to Be Seen Day Thursday 28th March 2024

As part of our mission at Raglan to raise awareness and celebrate neurodiversity, this year we are fundraising for the charity 'CASPA'. This is an autism charity based in Bromley which provides advice, support and a range of activities to local families, including many children and parents at Raglan.

What can I do to support on the day?

- On Thursday 28th March, come to school wearing green, or as much green as you can (no sport kits please).
- A £1 contribution/small donation.

SEND Matters live!

Thursday 18 April 2024

Bromley Council are committed to listening to your experiences as a parent/carer of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) living in the London Borough of Bromley

Join us

Thursday 18 April 2024

- Location
 4th Floor of The Central Library, Bromley, BR1 1EX
- Time 10:00-11:30am (doors open at 9:45am)

How to book

We are expecting a strong interest in this event. Please email



Bromley Council and SEL Integrated Care System (ICS), Your Voice in Health and Social Care (YVHSC) and Bromley Parent Carer Forum would like to invite parent/carers to a Q&A session facilitated by senior leaders from the Bromley SEND Partnership.

The session will involve a presentation from the SEND Partnership team, sharing our strategic vision and priorities. an opportunity for us to listen to what you think is working well and what are areas for development.



Questions and comments must be pre-submitted to agementservice@yvhsc.org.uk by Friday 5 April. parentenga











WK2 THURS 11TH & FRI 12TH

09:30AM - 12:30PM

Fun, energetic and engaging sessions, suitable for beginners or those looking to improve their Lacrosse skills

All coaches DBS checked and first aid trained

Sessions for children Year 3 - Year 9



- Skills & techniques
- Footwork exercises
- Strategy & teamwork exercises
- Fun games & matches

of £15.00 each

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mbctsuk@gmail.com 07787 510631













A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of benefit-related free school meals. Take part in sport, music, drama, art, cooking and much more during the 2024 spring holiday. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!



To find out which activities are near you and to sign up please follow our website link:

Holiday activities and food programme | Holiday activities and food programme | London **Borough of Bromley**



Or contact: HolidayActivitiesandFood @bromley.gov.uk

Funded by the Department for Education.

10 Pin Bowling Tournament

On Wednesday morning, a group of children from Frogs class travelled to the My Time Active Leisure Centre in Bromley to compete in a 10 pin bowling tournament.

Here the children competed head to head with a group of other schools in a number of categories including the highest individual score, the best team score and the individual with the most number of strikes/spares. The children performed admirably and were a credit to themselves and Raglan. They achieved a very respectable team score of 386, with some individuals managing strikes and spares along the way.

A massive well done to all those who took part, and my particular thanks to the Panathlon team for organising a wonderful event and to Mrs Spittal for assisting the children.

Mr Boorman Year 4 teacher and PE lead





Brownies

A local Brownies unit which a lot of Raglan students attend is facing closure if they don't find a new leader. 23rd Brownies Bromley is located at St Luke's Church Hall and has been running for over 60 years. Unfortunately the unit is at risk of closing at the end of next term if we don't find someone willing to take over and become the leader.

It's an extremely rewarding role but does require some behind the scenes work like planning sessions. If this is something you are interested in doing please email 23rdbromleybrownies@gmail.com

More information on this role and what it entails can be found on the Girlguiding website

Year 2 Victorian Day

Year 2 were transported back in time to the Victorian era this week and experienced what school would have been like for Victorian children. Raglan is a Victorian school so it felt extra special being able to offer the children this experience.

Children began the day by having a hand inspection to ensure high levels of personal hygiene were shown. They then entered the classroom and sat in rows silently for morning register, boys and girls were separated too. The morning session allowed the children to experience chanting arithmetic questions, copying geography learning onto blackboards, practising Victorian handwriting and learning to recite a poem. The children were then treated to a fully immersive experience from Splatt Theatre, during which they were taught how to walk, talk and enjoy afternoon tea correctly.

After a busy morning of learning, the children then enjoyed playing traditional games such as hide and seek and skipping and playing with hoops. After lunch, the children were taken outside for 'Drill' – the equivalent of PE. Children stood in lines and copied different exercises. Once this was over, it was back into the classroom to learn all about Victorian toys. They were even able to make their own windmills, peg dolls and thaumatropes which they really did enjoy.

Overall it was a super day of exciting, immersive learning!















We are really pleased to announce that last week's Comic Relief raised over our £500 target! Thank you for all your contributions!

And Finally...

With only just over a term to go in our academic year it is especially important that if your child is yet to be able to rapidly recall all of their times tables for the expectations per year group that we have, then please keep practising at home. Please access Mr Farmer's guide on our website (<u>Times Tables Progression</u>) as to what the expectations are for your child's year group. Please do utilise the links he has provided you with to help your home learning with times tables. In addition to this, I would also encourage you to READ, READ and READ as much as you can with your children. Reading and times tables unlock the entire curriculum and provide the basis for all future learning.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas