

# **NEWSLETTER**

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#### **Ragian Upcoming Dates**

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Maths Calculation Event — Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Treat Thursday Feast — Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Puffins Family Assembly — Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Year 5 and 6 Athletics — Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Half Term — 27<sup>th</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June Back to School — Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

## Week beginning 20th May

# Language of the Week

Language	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Bulgarian	Здравей	Добро утро	Добър ден
	Zdravey	Dobro utro	Dobyr den

#### https://youtu.be/27Hfd853J50

#### The Makaton Sign of the Week 'help'

### **Character Virtue of the Week**





20th May HELP.mov

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to congratulate the Year 6 children on the way they approached their SATs this week. The papers continue to grow in complexity and demand. That said, the children went about completing these with vigour and determination. The children and staff team have put in an enormous amount of work to prepare as best as possible for these statutory national tests. They all deserve huge praise for this. If there is any justice they should do really well. The results aside; what we do know is that the Year 6 children will leave us soon extremely well prepared for secondary school and should make every success of this. I am very proud of them all.

A massive congratulations to the Year 6 children and the staff team for their efforts.



#### Nursery Parent Consultations - 10th June

Nursery staff will be holding parent consultations on Monday  $10^{th}$  June from 4-6pm. Appointments will be available to book on Arbor with your child's key person from 10am on Wednesday  $22^{nd}$  May until 10am on Wednesday  $5^{th}$  June. If you have any queries, please come and see us at the Nursery.

#### St Marks Vs Raglan

Raglan played St Marks in their first ever home game yesterday. We took the lead 1-0 and then got picked back to 1-1 and unfortunately St Marks scored again just before half time. We had a glorious chance to equalise with a shot at the goalkeeper which would have made it 2-2 but sadly we didn't quite manage it. It was a great game of football. There was a big crowd supporting and cheering both teams along. Well done to the girls who played really well and showed great determination, skill and actually played the better football despite the score line. It was also good to showcase our up and coming year 5 footballers as part of the team.

#### **Karate Success**

A massive congratulations to JKA Karate Club. They won 46 medals in the recent JKA London and South East Regional Championships. 3 pupils from Raglan won 5 medals in total. Congratulations to them and all their hard work!



# **BPV Send Coffee Mornings**

Are you a parent or carer of a child/YP with a disability, neurodiversity or an additional need (no diagnosis required)? Join us at our supportive coffee mornings.



Summer term dates and venues



19/5/24 United reform Church
-Widmore Road, Bromley
2/5/24 Penge east Community Centre
17/5/24 United Reform Curch
Widmore Rd, Bromley
7/6/24 United reform Church
Widmore Rd, Bromley
20/6/24 Lookout coffee shop - Biggin
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5/07/24 United Reform Church
-Widmore rd, Bromley

For more information regarding Bromley Parent Voice coffee mornings please email info@bromleyparen tvoice.org.uk

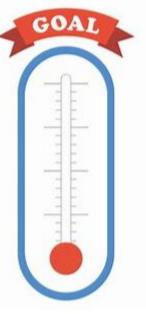
All sessions run from 10am-11.30





Raglan School Council would like to invite you all to our first ever Treat Thursday Feast. We will be selling treats like cakes, fruit pots and icelollies. Join us on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May in the Key Stage 2 playground. (If it is raining we will use the link corridor). Please come along and support us raising funds for our wonderful school. See you there!





#### **Land Art**

Year 1 had fun during Outdoor Learning this week creating 'Land Art' in the style of Andy Goldsworthy!



#### **Attendance and Punctuality Information**

As you know we expect your children to be in school every day and arrive on time. Being in school every day and on time means that children will be accessing the full curriculum; and in the routine from the beginning of the school day. We appreciate and understand that children will be off school when they are ill. To be clear, if a child vomits, has diarrhoea, or both they should be away from school for 48 hours after the last episode. If a child is running a temperature they should also be kept off because this is often the infectious time for colds, flus and infections. We expect parents and carers to inform the school immediately and by 9am if your child is off ill. You should call in or email the admin team.

We also appreciate and understand that on occasion traffic can cause lateness. That said, we do expect children to be in school on time, daily.

If a child's attendance is 90% or below we have a legal obligation and government statutory expectation to act on this. The government refer to attendance at or below 90% as 'Persistence Absence.'

The following is the process that we will be undertaking when your child's attendance is at 90% or below:

- **Step 1** general letter as a reminder that your attendance is below the expected 90%.
- **Step 2** if it stays this way for the next half term, we will invite you for a meeting with Mrs Collins and Mrs Lisle.
- **Step 3** for sustained persistent absence over another half term, you will be required to meet with Mrs Collins and I.
- **Step 4** if persistent absence continues for a further half term, we are required to make a referral to the Education Welfare Service, who will then contact you and the school, to establish next steps. This may be a formal action plan constructed by the Education Welfare Service. This may include an 'Early Help' referral with the Local Authority.
- **Step 5** should persistent absence continue after this; the school is legally required to make a social care referral.

For children that have chronic and ongoing medical needs, we will clearly be taking this into consideration. Parents and carers must provide the medical professional documentation supporting the medical ailment so that we can inform Education Welfare that this is the reason for the absence(s). We are not permitted to accept parental diagnosis or medical justification for absence.

#### **Leave from School Requests**

I will not be authorising the maximum number of 5 days for any exceptional circumstances for a leave of absence, unless attendance is consistently above 97%. I always look at every individual case on its own merit, and as you know, I do appreciate many of you have family abroad, cultural and faith celebrations, as well as specific family circumstances. If parents request or take children out for leave during term time and are below 90% attendance (which is persistent absence), I will consider applying the penalty fine.

#### **Penalty notices**

Under section 444 of the Education Act 1996, it outlines the legal responsibilities on parents to ensure their children attend school on a regular basis. Failure to do so is a legal offence and either a penalty notice may be issued or prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Parents/carers may be issued with a penalty notice in relation to their child's unauthorised absence at school. It is the decision of the schools as to whether absences are authorised, though they are expected to follow Department for Education (DfE) guidance. Fines are issued per parent, per child. Each fine is £60 if paid within the first 21 days, with a further 7 days to pay the fine at £120. Failing to pay the penalty notice may result in the matter being taken to the Magistrates Court for the original offence of failing to secure your child's regular attendance at school. Parents/carers should be aware there is **no right of appeal** for a penalty notice that has been issued. If you believe the fine was issued in error, please contact the school to discuss your concern regarding the authorisation of the absence.

#### MAY HALF TERM KIDS CLUB - 6occer

We are pleased to announce our new School Holiday Kids Club in addition to our regular football courses

Specialist coaches covering various activities including -

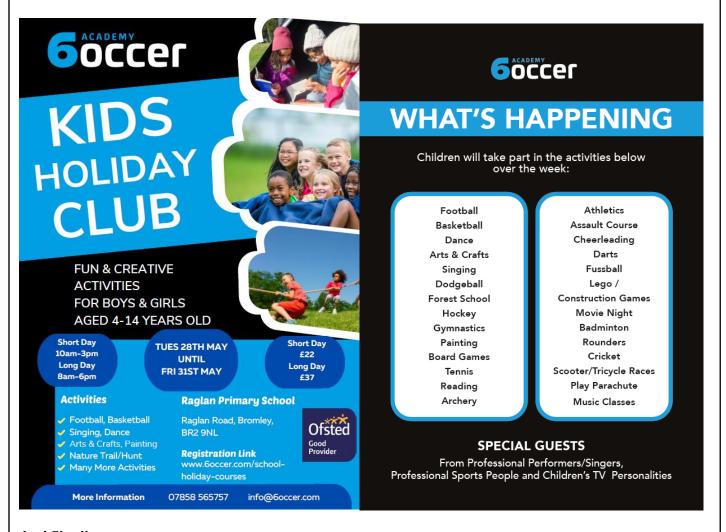
Football, Basketball, Dance, Singing, Tennis, Dodgeball, Art & Crafts, Nature Trails and much, much more

We are also very pleased to announce a professional performer with a number 1 hit will be teaching the singing and dance to the children as well as a professional footballer taking the football.

We cannot wait for the school holidays
To book your place(s) contact

☐ 07858 565757

□info@6occer.com



#### And Finally...

Once again what the Year 6 Reading and Maths Tests have highlighted is that children simply must know all of their times tables and be able to rapidly recall these as young as possible. In addition to this, children must learn their phonics proficiently to engage with reading; and then READ, READ and READ some more. With half a term of the school year to go please support your children as much as you can with these key learning elements.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas