

NEWSLETTER

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Key Dates Coming Up

3rd October 2025

Friday 10th October – Spooky Disco (FoR) –Ticketed Event

Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October - Parents Evening – Booking closes 12pm 6th October

Thursday 13th November – Movie Night (FoR) – Ticketed Event

Saturday 29th November – Christmas Fair

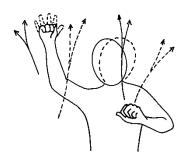
Week beginning Monday 6th October 2025

Language of the Week

	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Turkish	Merhaba	Günaydın	İyi günler

https://youtu.be/AtsDJCGu0nc

The Makaton Sign of the Week - Disco Character Virtue of the Week - Independence





Dear Parents and Carers,

On your marks...get set...go!

Last Friday we held the third iteration of the whole school cross country. This year we were blessed with very lovely weather; nice, dry conditions for excellent running - not too warm.

First up in the morning the key stage one children from years one and two took part and showed brilliant resilience with their running of the half lap of the park. In the afternoon, we welcomed the key stage two children for a full lap of the park and again they showed fantastic efforts and teamwork cheering each other from start to finish.

This was a terrific school community event enjoyed by staff, parents and carers, and most of all the children.



I would like to thank all of the staff for helping to facilitate the event, as well as the parents and carers that helped walk the children to and from the event. In addition to this thank you to our Ravensbourne PE Student helpers. The partnership we have building with Ravensbourne is excellent and we really appreciate their help.



A huge thanks to Mrs Boorman (mother of Mr Boorman) and Mrs Jones (past parent) who collated the scoring on the day (indeed a stressful job!)

Finally, a massive congratulations and thank you to Mr Boorman for organising another wonderfully successful sporting event and opportunity for the children.

The results are as follows:

1st Blue House 100 House Points 2nd Green House 75 House Points 3rd Red House 50 House Points 4th Yellow 25 House Points

A Message from Mr Boorman PE / Sport Lead:

I would like to recognise several people for their excellent contributions to this day. Firstly to Mr. De Freitas for helping me to set up the park extremely early in the morning. Secondly to the sports leaders from Ravensbourne for their excellent support once again, forging deeper links with the school and we hope to have them back for sports day next year. Thirdly to all the parents and volunteers who made this possible; in getting the children over to the park and marshalling the course for us. Lastly, but by no means least, a massive thank you to all the children for their effort, hard work, and determination to complete their runs.

I consider myself extremely privileged to work in a school that has such a priority and focus on children's well-being through physical activity and sports. I'll be looking for ways to expand sports and physical activity even further into our school community so watch this space.

Once again a massive thank you for an excellent day and I'm already looking forward to next year's iteration of the PE cafe and whole school cross country.

World Poetry Day

On Wednesday Mrs Ingrey lead whole school assembly celebrating Worlds Poetry Day. The lead into this was music of the week by Stormzy. I Before Mrs Ingrey began I highlighted to the children that 1st October also marks the beginning of Black History month, so it was apt that we feature a well-known black artist whose craft is underpinned by an excellent knowledge of how poetry works in order to construct the lyrics for his hugely successful genre.

Mrs Ingrey shared with the children a wonderful array of poetry and who poetry inspires us all. It was a very a wonderfully led assembly by Mrs Ingrey and a terrific experience for the children.



The BBC 500 Word Competition

Mrs Ingrey and Mr Boorman (who is one of the competition judges) would like to encourage as many children as possible to enter the BBC 500 Word Story Competition. Please visit the BBC website for details on how to enter. This is also a terrific warm-up to the next instalment of the Writing Competition we hold that Mr Holland organises for World Book Day next February / March.

Get writing everyone!

Nursery and EYS Team



The Early Years team, Reception and Nursery classes are looking to make music walls in their outside areas. We are looking for donations of kitchen equipment such as pots, pans, utensils, wire cooling racks, colanders, cupcake trays and wooden spoons. If you are able to help with any donations we would be most grateful. Please could you bring these to the school office.

Many thanks.

Music of the Week

Stormzy - Superheroes



- Wednesday 1st October marks the start of black history month
- · Black history month celebrates the achievements and
- · contributions of people of black heritage.
- The theme for 2025 is

"STANDING FIRM IN POWER AND PRIDE"

Can you think of any other black artists we have already listened to in assembly?

How could you celebrate black history month?

Which artists or celebrities does Stormzy mention in his song?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=51RdSHPj-Wl&list=RD51RdSHPj-Wl&start_radio=1

And Finally...

I would like all parents and carers to ensure their login and password works for you to access Numbot (Reception / Y1) and Times Tables Rockstars (Y2 - Y6.) Friday 7th November will be our next TTS Rockstar day! Please ensure your children are dressed and raring to go for a day of TimesTables activities! More information to follow! If you are able to login successfully please ensure you are having your children access these platforms daily for 20minutes. Little and often is the way forward.

In addition to this please ensure your children READ READ and READ more! Reading unlocks the whole curriculum!

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas



NEWS FROM FOR

Spooky Disco – Friday 10th October 2025 Ticket sales close for the Spooky Disco at 9pm on Wednesday 8th October. Please make sure you book for the correct KS Group:

KS1 Disco from 3.20-4.20pm is for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

KS2 Disco from 4.45-5.45pm is for Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Tickets may be purchased here: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofraglan/

Please see the email sent out from the school on 25th September 2025 and last week's school newsletter for all the details about the event.

Fireworks – Saturday 8th November 2025

We have been able to secure a small allocation of tickets to Bromley High School's sell-out Fireworks display on Saturday 8 November. (Unfortunately, we have not been allocated any tickets for the fireworks at Southborough Primary school this year).

Tickets are priced at £13 per person (under 3s go free) and a small portion of the ticket price will be donated by Bromley High School to FOR.

There will be food and drinks available to purchase and funfair rides. Wristbands are available to pre-order for unlimited riding - the Little Thrills wristband (£12) allows unlimited riding of three younger rides and the Intense Thrills wristband (£20) allows unlimited rides on all rides. Otherwise, single ride tokens will be available to purchase on the night.

Anyone wishing to purchase tickets can do so here:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofraglan/

Please feel free to pass onto family and friends. Online booking will close on Friday 17th October.

We are on Social Media!

Please follow us on Instagram and facebook. We will post our event information there as well.

Gofundme Fundraiser for the KS2 Playground

A reminder that you can donate towards the playground updates via our GoFundMe page: Fundraiser by Friends Of Raglan: New Playground Equipment at KS2, Raglan Primary School

Upcoming Events for your diary

Please look out for emails from the school for details of events and how to purchase tickets

Spooky Disco: Friday 10th October (ticketed event)

Fireworks at Bromley High School: Saturday 8th November (ticketed event)

Movie Night: Thursday 13th November (ticketed event)

Christmas Fair: Saturday 29th November

Contact FOR: for.ptabromley@gmail.com FOR Events

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RAGLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS... DANCE CLUB!



WHEN?

EVERY FRIDAY

INFANTS 3:30-4:40 JUNIORS 4:45-5:45 WHERE?

IN THE INFANT PLAYGROUND STUDIO!

LIMITED SPACES
AVAILABLE!

BOOK YOUR FREE TRIAL NOW! SAMANTHA@SHIMMISHAKE.CO.UK



Bromley 0 to 19 Public Health Service

Free early years
support workshops for
parents and carers in Bromley

The Bromley Health Visiting Team and the Early Years Inclusion Team are running free support sessions for parents and carers of children aged 2 to 5 years 11 months with an emerging need or Special Educational Need (SEN).

Each week, we'll cover a different topic to help you support your child with:

- Sensory Needs
- · Eating Challenges
- Toileting
- Behaviour
- Sleep

Sessions will run twice weekly (Monday and Thursday) over 5 weeks, starting 23 February 2026:

- Phoenix Children's Resource Centre 12.30-2 pm
- Blenheim Children & Family Center 10-11.30 am

Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate children & a creche facility is NOT available

Speak to your Health Visitor or your child's healthcare professional about attending these sessions

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%. Even then this is not automatically granted, and I always look at every individual case on its own merit. 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 £80 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.

Parents and Carers need to be aware that if your child is absence from school for ten or more days in a row (without explanation) they are legally considered 'missing in education.' This will result in the school making a social care referral and contacting the appropriate agencies.