



Key Dates Coming Up

- Friday 8th May** – Penguins Family Assembly
- Saturday 16th May** – Eco Council Litter Picking Event
- Friday 22nd May** – Sports Day
- Saturday 20th June** – Summer Fair

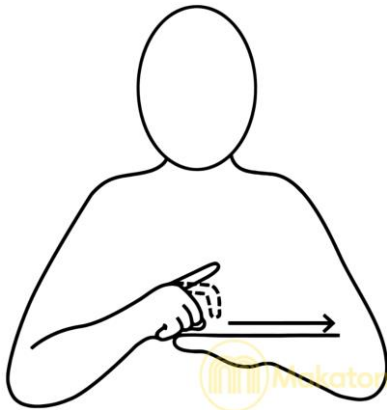
Week beginning Tuesday 5th May 2026

Language of the Week

Bengali	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
	Hyalô হ্যালো	Shuprôbhat সুপ্রভাত	Shubhô bikel শুভ অপরাহ্ন

<https://youtu.be/3lu-W6DboCc>

The Makaton Sign of the Week – Caterpillar Character Virtue of the Week - Confident



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you well. It has been another busy week in our school.

Eco-News

On Saturday 16th May Mrs Prescott and Mrs Schaper will be leading the local litter picking campaign. This yearly initiative begins at 10am and concludes at 11am. Children, families and school staff will be involved in clearing our surrounding streets of litter.

We hope that many of you will support the project, meeting at the school for 9.45am.

Please do contact the school admin email address for further information or register your interest on this online form [Raglan Primary School Community Litter Pick on Saturday 16th May 2026 - 10.00am to 11.00am – Fill in form](#)





The Raglan Charity Shield

Last Saturday the second Raglan Charity Shield was played at Bromley Rugby and Football club. The event was incredibly well supported by our families.

In what turned out to be a spirited and competitive match; the staff prevailed 1 - 0 thanks to a wonderfully taken free-kick by one of our Teaching Assistants.

The weather was wonderful, the build up to the game tremendous and the quality of football on display was of high standard.

It was a wonderful turnout from families right across the school, as well as families that no longer have children in the school.

The funds raised from the event look to surpass that of last year, and will go into the pot to build a permanent shelter over the ARP outdoor learning area, as well as support further resourcing of the schools' football and PE programs.

I would like to say a massive thanks to the local businesses who sponsored the event through the program advertising. A huge thanks to Bromley Football and Rugby Club for hosting the event. Thank you to our match day referee. An enormous thanks to the parents and staff that played and managed the teams, as well as the staff that volunteered to help out on the day.

A massive thank you to the families and staff that came and supported the event. A big shout out to Petts Wood Football Club for using their kits.

In addition to that an absolutely huge, huge thanks to Mr Diamond, Mr Woods and Mr Sykes for driving the event, generating the sponsorship and organisation of it all. Without their energy, enthusiasm and commitment this just would not happen, and be the success it is



Our two winners of the shield design poster who presented Mr Sykes with the Charity Shield for the win.



The Action!



We now look ahead to the third Raglan Charity Shield. The countdown is on.

Thank you all again for your massive support with this. This was another wonderful Raglan community day.

Assembly Celebrating Neurodiversity

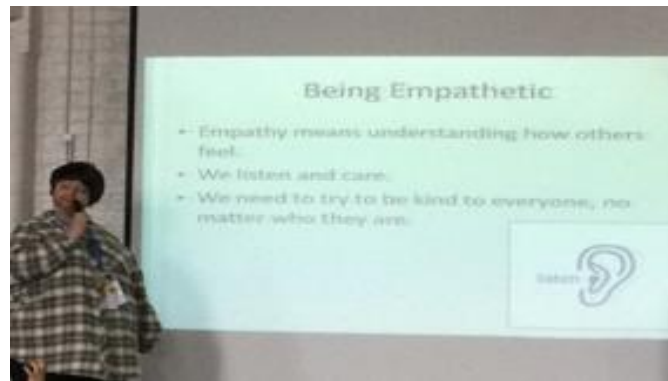
This week in assembly Mr Hunter and the SEND Team lead the celebration for Neurodiversity.

The day's theme centred round 'masking' and how challenging neuro-diverse people find a variety of different contexts throughout the day.



Children and staff came to school dressed up supporting this wonderful initiative.

Miss Dray shared her journey through life as someone that is neuro-diverse as well as some of the neuro-diverse superpowers that she has.



We were also extremely lucky to have one of our current parents, Mr Hassan, in to also share his journey as someone that is neuro-diverse; and how he makes every success of his life using his own superpowers. Mr Hassan explained ADHD to the children in the most of inspired ways. His messages really resonated with the staff and children.



The day was an excellent success.

Please do read on for more information about our Neurodiversity Celebration.

Our celebration of Neurodiversity Day was a truly memorable and meaningful occasion for everyone in our school community. Pupils embraced the theme with creativity and enthusiasm, producing an array of amazing masks for the competition that beautifully represented a wide range of emotions. Mr Hunter and some of the SEND Champions delivered a thought-provoking and inspiring assembly to share the key messages around 'masking'. Some adults within school shared their own neurodiverse experiences, which encouraged us all to reflect on the importance of understanding and valuing different ways of thinking and experiencing the world. A special shout out to our guest star Mr Hassan, who shared his own experiences about ADHD and what it means to him.

Central to the day was raising awareness of masking—how some individuals may hide their true selves to fit in—and how challenging and exhausting that can be. Through our shared experiences, we explored how we can create a more inclusive environment where everyone feels safe, accepted and able to be their authentic selves. This is truly the Raglan way.

We loved the fantastic costumes inspired by the theme “Be Someone Else for the Day,” which sparked important conversations about identity and perspective - we especially love that children chose to be their teachers! Thank you to all the staff that participated in making today as brilliant as it was. We really appreciate all the donations and we are pleased to say that we have raised £302.02!

The I Can Do It Award

Raglan's, **I Can Do It** programme is back and we are looking forward for this year's children to take part in it. The '**I can do it**' award aims to support our children to become positive young people who are resilient citizens, responsible for themselves and aware of their responsibility to others. By completing a number of tasks in each school year, children will be able to practice a range of age-appropriate life skills and further develop their level of confidence in their ability to be independent.

It would be lovely if your child participated in this. Once they complete all six tasks in their year group they will get given a Certificate at the end of the term and given a badge for their particular Year Group. For more information about the **I can do it** programme please check our website here for details: <https://raglanprimary.school/i-can-do-it-award/>.

For all children that submit their Award Activities - they receive the maximum 20 Head Teacher House Points!

Gymnastics Achievement

A big **congratulations** to one of our Year 6 aspiring gymnasts who achieved a 1st Place in her club's gymnastic championships.

Well done a wonderful effort. I know we have many children that compete in gymnastics doing very well. Keep it up everyone!



Music of the Week

On top of the world- Imagine Dragons

Earth Day this year is on 22nd April.

Earth Day is an annual global event celebrated on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection and raise awareness about issues like climate change and pollution.



What makes you feel on top of the world?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cxmMD5OvYRQ&list=RDCxmMD5OvYRQ&start_radio=1

Rocky's Farm visits Raglan!

On Thursday, Reception had a wonderful visit from Rocky's Farm. It was a fantastic hands-on learning experience for all the children. The children were especially excited to pet and hold a variety of animals and many enjoyed the opportunity to feed the goats, sheep, ducks, and chickens. They showed excellent listening skills and confidently answered questions throughout the session. It was a truly memorable and enriching experience for everyone involved.



A big thank you to Rocky and all the animals!

And Finally...

A reminder that Sports Day is on Friday 22nd May at Whitehall Rec. The Reception, Sharks and KS1 event will be held in the morning, and the KS2 event will be after lunch.

Please do remember to continue to encourage your children to READ, READ and READ more.

In addition to this please have your children continue to access TTS Rockstars regularly.

Thanks for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas

Eco Council Corner

Eco Council will be holding their annual litter pick event on Saturday 16th May at 10am – everyone is welcome. If you would like to take part please could you complete the online form so we can organise plenty of litter pickers for the event!

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Please use the link below to access the Mosaic Schools Learning Trust Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Newsletter

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/GMyz7GmihT4xb1ee?ref=email>



NEWS FROM FOR

Pre-loved Uniform

Thank you for all your generous donations of pre-loved uniform last term! Donations can be placed in the yellow bin at the Jaffray Road entrance to the KS2 playground (only uniform in great condition and items that are for sale on the website, please).

More stock has been added to the website and there is plenty of summer uniform still available. We also have a few t-shirts in house colours ready for Sports Day at the end of the half term. <https://friends-of-raglan.sumupstore.com/>

Plusrooms Boards Campaign

We are delighted that Plusrooms will once again be running an advertising campaign with us. We are looking for 50 homes to host an advertising board for the six-week period leading up to the Summer Fair (11 May – 22 June). For those unfamiliar, this involves Plusrooms placing an estate agent-style board outside your home to advertise their business (and our Summer Fair). In return, FoR receives £30 per home—up to a potential £1,500. Plusrooms will handle the installation and removal, and no one needs to be home when they do it.

If you are able to take part, please sign up via the link by today Friday 1st of May: <https://pta.events/plusrooms2026>

Please note:

- Homes must be houses (not flats)
- There must be suitable ground for installation (no fully tarmacked frontages)
- Properties must be located within the M25

Summer Fair – Saturday 20th June

Please contact us at for.ptabromley@gmail.com if you:

- ***Are interested in sponsorship opportunities***
- ***Would like to have a stall at the fair***
- ***Have an idea for your class game***
- ***Have a raffle prize to donate or would like to sponsor a raffle prize***

Upcoming Events for your diary

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

Summer Fair: Saturday 20th June 2026

FOR Events Ticket Sales: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofraglan/>

Pre-loved Uniform Sales: <https://friends-of-raglan.sumupstore.com/>

Follow us on Instagram: @friendsofraglan

Follow us on Facebook: Raglan Primary School Friends of Raglan



OPEN DAY

Bromley Fire Station

Saturday, 6 June 2026 12pm–4pm

- Your chance to meet local firefighters and get fire safety advice.
- See our latest fire and rescue service equipment.
- [Food, Ice cream, Inflatables, Hook a duck, Face painting, Sand art].

4 South Street Bromley Kent BR1 1RH

For more info contact Billy Harman:

T 07521499924

E billy.harman@london-fire.gov.uk



LONDON FIRE BRIGADE



Healthy Food Habits

Healthy Food Habits offers playful, practical sessions for families. In Seed to Plate, parents learn what's easy to grow, children plant seeds and decorate pots, and the whole family tastes, learns, and grows together

Wednesday 13th May

9:30-11am

Location: Biggin Hill Children and Family Centre, Sunningvale Ave. TN16 3TN

To book just call or email us on:



01959 571 694



bigginhillcfc@bromley.gov.uk

BITESIZE FIRST AID

Come and join our **FREE**
Family First Aid course for children and
families

Bitesize First Aid for Families is a short,
non-accredited course for parents,
carers, and children. Fun, friendly, and
easy to follow, it's a great first step into
first aid, helping learners of all ages
build confidence and essential skills
together.



All Ages



Thursday 25th May

10:00-12:00 pm



To book or find out more info please call
or email:

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bigginhillcfc@bromley.gov.uk

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 Powell.

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.