



Key Dates Coming Up

- Tuesday 28th April** – Neurodiversity Day
- 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 Monday 27th April 2026

Language of the Week

| Thai | Hello | Good Morning | Good Afternoon |
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| | Women say 'Sawatdee kha', and men say 'Sawatdee khrab' | Sawatdee tohn chao | Sawatdee tohn bai |

<https://youtu.be/VOKgTMWi-zA>

The Makaton Sign of the Week – Butterfly Character Virtue of the Week - Resilience



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was Computing Cafe as you know. I would like to thank Miss Grange and the staff Team for arranging the cafe and welcoming you all in before school.

It is a very powerful tool and supports many areas of the curriculum. Alongside the vast array of positives that technology gives us is the obvious dangers that social media poses for us all, especially children.

I would again urge all parents and carers to ensure you know exactly what your children are accessing, and check their phones (if they have one) daily.

Thank you for supporting our Computing Cafe and do ensure you know everything your children do online.





Being Resilient: Jason Pearce Ex-Professional Footballer

On Wednesday this week Ex Charlton Captain Jason Pearce led assembly. He shared with the children his journey from beginning football as a child to having a successful professional career at five clubs - winning promotion three of these. He explained to the children that number of failures he experienced, as well the number of times he was told he was not good enough. His message was one of resilience and never giving up.

This was an inspirational assembly with a very powerful message: "Work hard, never, ever give up when you fail or are told you are not good enough!"

A massive thank you to Jason for the time he gave us on Wednesday.



Tigers Family Assembly

A massive **congratulations** to Tigers Class for an incredible Family Assembly. I always love walking into Tigers Class and marvelling at the enthusiastic hubbub of learning happening. I felt like we had two terms of learning all packed into 20 minutes such was the volume of topics covered. I particularly loved the DT Project! The Pneumatic powered devices (toys) were awesome! They have made every success of Year 3, and they deserve every credit for this morning's performance. What an array of learning! Well done to Miss Nelson, the adult Tigers Team and the children.



The Raglan Charity Shield: The wait is almost over!

We look forwards to welcoming you all down to Bromley Rugby and Football Club tomorrow for the second Raglan Charity Shield Staff vs Parents Football Match.

Gates for parking will open at 11 am. Kick Off is at Noon. Raffle to be drawn after the game in the Bar Area of the Rugby Club. Please do carpool if you can as this will help not overcrowd the carpark area.

We do not want to turn people away from the parking area but if the carpark is full the staff marshalling this will need to for Health and Safety reasons. We must respect the Rugby Clubs rules with parking.

We are all hoping that tomorrow's second Charity Shield exceeds the success of last year's inaugural match.



And Finally...

It is with great joy that children are still handing in Book Blurbs from new stories they read over Easter (and have just finished.) Please do hand your Book Blurbs directly to me - it isn't too late to be awarded the maximum 20 Head Teacher House Points for this.

Again, helping your child master their phonics, which then helps them become a fluent reader opens up the whole the curriculum early on. Being a fluent reader and reading for understanding increases every child's life-chances immeasurably!

READ, READ, READ more...

In addition to this please ensure your child is accessing TTS Rockstars so they can help their class win the latest Times tables battle! The winning class earns their additional break time.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at tomorrow's match.

Thanks for your continued support,

Mr De Freitas

Music of the Week

Earth Song - Michael Jackson



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 do you do to look after our earth?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XAi3VTsdTxU&list=RDXAi3VTsdTxU&start_radio=1

Eco Council Corner

Eco Council will be holding their annual litter pick event on Saturday 16th May at 10am – everyone is welcome!



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

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





Raglan
Primary
School

Neurodiversity Day

Tuesday 28th April 2026

"Be Someone Else for a Day!"

Understanding Masking & Empathy

What Will the Day Involve?

Dress Up as Someone Else!

• Sibling • Teacher • Parent



Mask Competition!

Create a Mask That Shows Your Feelings!



Fundraising

Raising Money for Resources that are...

"Necessary for some, useful for all!"



Sensory & Learning Resources for Our School

Embrace Differences • Encourage Kindness • Celebrate Uniqueness!

Donations Welcome at the School Gate

Thank You for Your Support!

NEWS FROM FOR

Tesco Stronger Starts

There's still time to add some more blue tokens to our Tesco Stronger Starts campaign if you are shopping at the Homesdale Road, Elmer's End, Orpington or Bromley stores until this Sunday 26th April. Please support us in this final push to get as many as possible. Thank you!

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

Plus Rooms Boards Campaign

We're teaming up with Plusrooms again for another round of advertising boards in the run-up to this year's Summer Fair. To unlock the full £1,500 donation from them, we need at least 50 host properties to display a board advertising Plus Rooms and our summer fair. The boards will be up for six weeks, from 11th May to 20th June.

If your home has a fence or somewhere suitable to secure a post, you're eligible. Plusrooms will handle the installation and removal, and no one needs to be home when they do it. Properties anywhere within the M25 can take part, so feel free to rope in helpful friends or family too. Keep an eye out for an email from the school with the sign-up link.

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

Contact FOR: for.ptabromley@gmail.com

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

SENDAT PARENT WORKSHOPS

Supporting Parents and Carers of Children Transitioning into Year 7

Join the SEND Advisory Team's (SENDAT) free workshops designed to support families as children move into Year 7, including those with an Educational, Health and Care plan (EHCP).

Practical advice on:

- Visual supports to ease transition anxiety
- Boosting independent learning
- Working together with your child's education setting
- Building executive functioning skills
- Growing practical independence from Year 7 onward



22/29 APRIL, 6PM - 7.30PM OR 12 MAY, 10AM - 11AM ONLINE

**The Phoenix Children's Resource Centre,
40-42 Masons Hill,
Bromley, BR2 9JG**

Email: sendat@bromley.gov.uk



SENDAT PARENT WORKSHOP



Supporting Parents and Carers of school-aged Neurodivergent children and young people.

What to expect:

- A safe, supportive environment
- Practical advice and guidance
- Space to explore your young person's strengths, motivators, and areas for development

Tea, Coffee
Snacks
provided

3 course workshop
Wednesday
10, 17, 24 June 2026

Start from 6pm - 8pm

**parents to attend all 3 workshops*

**Phoenix Children's
Resource Centre**

40-42 Masons Hill
Bromley BR2 9JG

BOOK NOW

Email: sendat@bromley.gov.uk

These are adult-only sessions. There are no crèche facilities.



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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.