



Key Dates Coming Up

Wednesday 16th September - Teacher Meet and Greet

Monday 21st September - Reception Parents Phonics and Early Reading Information Evening

Tuesday 22nd to Friday 25th September – PE Café

Thursday 1st October - Year 1 Parents / Carers Phonics Information Evening

Friday 2nd October – Friends Of Raglan AGM

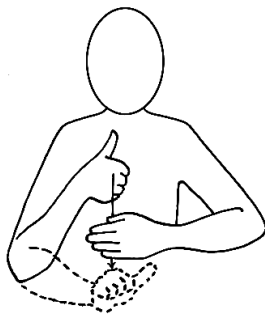
Week beginning Monday 14th September

Language of the Week

	Hello	Good Morning	Good Afternoon
Arabic	مَرْحَبًا Marhaban	صَبَاحُ الْخَيْرِ Sabaho elkhayr	مَسَاءُ الْخَيْرِ Massaao elkhayr

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0pVbp6ui5OA>

The Makaton Sign of the Week – Start/begin



Character Virtue of the Week - Safe



Autumn Term PE Days

<u>Year group</u>	<u>Days of the week for PE lessons</u>
Nursery	Friday
Reception	Monday and Wednesday
Year 1	Monday and Thursday
Year 2	Monday and Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 4	Tuesday and Friday (hockey on Friday 11 th onwards)
Year 5	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 6	Tuesday and Thursday
Sharks/frogs	Wednesday and Friday
The Hive	Monday and Friday

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week on my learning walks round the school I have been dropping in to maths lessons to see children learning about place value. It has been wonderful to see the enthusiasm that children have been showing towards maths already this academic year. Everyone knows how obsessed I am with learning and mastering times tables (as young as possible), but I cannot reiterate how important becoming an able mathematician is. Achieving a standard Grade 4 pass at GCSE unlocks A-Levels and apprenticeships for everyone. The foundations for maths lays in understanding place value, and mastering times tables.

In assembly this week we welcomed Reverend Steve back to school after the summer break. Part of his assembly was about why we come to school. He asked the children to put up their hands if their favourite subject was maths.



I was overjoyed to see a sea of hands go up across all year groups! Every subject is incredibly important and there were an equally large number of hands going up in support of all subject areas! It just fills my heart with joy that children feel positive about maths - and from an early age.

Being Kind! Welcome Back Reverend Steve



On Wednesday Reverend Steve from St. Augustines led whole school assembly. He focused on our Character Virtue of 'Being Kind.' He used the parable of 'The Good Samaritan' to share with the children the importance of being kind. Reverend Steve discussed with the children that school is not just about learning everything there is to know about subjects but far more. He talked with the children about the other really important skills to learn about - like being kind.

Reverend Steve discussed with the children how simple acts of kindness can have such a powerful and positive impact on individuals - and whole communities. His challenge to us all was to be even more kind and continue to make our school an even kinder and better place than we are already. We are all up for that challenge.

We will see Reverend Steve in a few weeks time when he leads Harvest Assembly.

Singing Assembly

Singing assembly in our school takes place every week. This can either be a whole school singing assembly or, a split KS1 and KS2 singing assembly. This year Mrs Lucas will continue to co-lead singing assembly with Miss Lavery who we welcome in to our school. This week children started learning their Harvest Festival Songs in preparation for the upcoming Harvest Assembly.

Each week children from the Raglan Melodies also help with the singing assembly 'warm ups.' This is a lot of fun and has been a terrific way to promote the success of our 'Melodies.'



Children love to sing in our school! This makes me incredibly proud. We have a large number of children that sing in the Melodies, a big number who have peripatetic BYMT, and a huge number of children participating in Rock School. I am confident that we will should produce several global superstars in the future!

PE CAFE WEEK Tuesday 22nd September



I would like to remind parents that PE CAFE starts Tuesday 22nd September and runs all week in the Gymnasium 8.40am to 8.55am. I hope we have a wonderful turnout from all year groups. Mr Boorman will communicate out more details next week.

The week culminates in the Raglan Primary School Cross Country Championships to be held again at Whitehall Rec. The KS1 event will be held in the morning after registration, and the KS2 event will be held after lunch. More specific details to follow but put the date in your diary. We hope to see you all out there supporting your children.

Schools Partnership Charlton Athletic 2026-2027



As a school we are delighted to be continuing to be a part of the schools' partnership with Charlton Athletic Football Club.

Last season many families joined this partnership and were able to access a match at a much reduced rate.

Those families that have already joined the schools' partnership with Charlton should still be receiving offers throughout this season - such as that below.

If there are more families in joining then you need to:

Scan the QR code below and sign up to the membership (no cost), and Charlton will send codes directly to your email address for the Schools' Partnership fixtures below.



For the Schools Partnership Fixtures, tickets will be available at the discounted rate of £5 for adults and £1 for U12s.

The next Schools Partnership Fixture is against Norwich City, and the code for this game will be sent out next week - so please sign up to the membership to take full advantage of this offer.

The Schools Partnership Fixtures are below:

Saturday 24th October (3pm)
Half-Term Football Festival
Charlton Athletic vs Norwich City

Saturday 12th December (3pm)
Christmas Spirit at The Valley
Charlton Athletic vs Swansea City

Saturday 6th February (3pm)
Schools Partnership Takeover Day
Charlton Athletic vs Wolverhampton Wanderers

Saturday 13th March (3pm)
Hop to The Valley
Charlton Athletic vs Blackburn Rovers

Saturday 10th April (3pm)
Schools Partnership End of Season Party
Charlton Athletic vs Stoke City

And Finally...Pedestrian Safety

It will not be long before the days shorten and the onset dusk becomes earlier. With this in mind, I would ask you all to begin taking additional care and be extra vigilant coming to and from school. Although we successfully lobbied for the 20MPH speed signs; unfortunately; there are a minority of motorists that are driving above this limit - making it unsafe for all. If you are at all in a position to capture the license plate of any vehicle you see travelling above the 20MPH limit when they pass a sign, then send it on to me please so I can forward this to the council and authorities.

Thanks for your continued Support,
Mr De Freitas

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

<https://sway.cloud.microsoft/CBPI7iGNuVJvfSko?ref=Link>



Eco Council Corner

Remember to wash and squash items before recycling



Plastic, Glass, Cans & Tins

✓ Yes please

✓ Drink and milk cartons	✓ Shampoo & roll-on deodorant bottles
✓ Glass bottles and jars - all colours (including jar and bottle tops)	✓ Fruit punnets
✓ Food tins and foil	✓ Metal & plastic lids
✓ Bleach & disinfectant bottles	✓ Biscuit tubs & tins
✓ Coffee cup lids	✓ Ready meal food trays
✓ Cleaning product bottles, sprays & tubs	✓ Aerosol cans
✓ Cooking oil bottles	✓ Plastic egg cartons
✓ Drink cans	✓ Yoghurt pots
✓ Ice-cream containers	✓ Margarine tubs
	✓ Milk and drinks plastic bottles

News from Friends of Raglan (FOR)

FOR AGM

A reminder that our Annual General Meeting will take place on **Friday 2 October at 9.00am**, immediately after school drop-off, in the school staffroom.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Simply enter through the main entrance on Raglan Road after dropping off your child, sign in at the school office and join us in the staffroom.

You don't need to wait until the AGM to get involved or learn more about us - please feel free to get in touch via email anytime via for.ptabromley@gmail.com .

Upcoming Events this half term

- **Pantomime Tickets** *The Churchill Theatre, Bromley – Saturday 12th December, 11am*
Ticket sales went live this week. There may still be some tickets available.
- **Spooky Disco** *Friday 9th October*
Booking information will be sent via school email soon, so please watch your inbox — and this space — for updates.

Contact FOR: for.ptabromley@gmail.com

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HEALTHY FOOD HABITS

FOOD EXPLORER (SEND)

This workshop is run by a certified dietician. Discover simple, engaging ways to eat together that will make mealtimes easier, healthier and more fun. Children participate at their own pace, parents learn how to adjust during this inclusive, sensory - based workshop.



Wednesday 23rd September



9:30am - 11:00am



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



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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.