

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families and Friends,

It has been a busy and productive week in school!

This week, I had the pleasure of teaching Class 1 for the first 3 days of the week. We learnt lots of new things including: new phonics sounds; the story of the Little Red Hen (with actions!), as well as learning how to count forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s! I was extremely impressed with how our youngest members of the schools have adapted to their new curriculum and look forward to working with them again.

Mr Agar is now, thankfully, back in school and all is well in the Agar household. However, Mr Agar did get a chance to teach Class 1 this week via Zoom! The children took part in maths and English lessons, ably assisted by Mrs Beevers and myself in the classroom. It is reassuring to see that our remote learning option will work in the future if we do have to have members of staff or children having to work at home. This means less disruption to children's education and, therefore, their futures.

This week, we took part in a *very* wet Forest Schools. We will endeavour to go to Forest Schools in most weathers to help build up children's resiliency and for them to experience different learning opportunities in different weathers. However, please can I reiterate the need for children to have warm and waterproof clothing and footwear for these sessions.

For future Forest School sessions, **children may now come to school on Wednesday morning in some of their Forest School kit.** However, they should wear clean footwear (trainers or school shoes – whichever is most practical) and, wherever possible, have the Brompton School jumper, cardigan or hoodie on top, so that students understand that we are in 'school mode' and not 'forest mode' on Wednesday mornings when we complete our Skills Checker and Grammar Hammer. Children will then be able to add extra layers and remove any clothing/footwear that they should not wear to the forest in the afternoon. This should hopefully limit the number of bags and clothes children need to bring to school on Wednesday, saving us space in cloakrooms and time for getting changed (meaning more time in the forest!) If you are unsure about any of this, please message Mr Cooper via Class Dojo.

Finally, next Friday, we will be interviewing for our new Higher-Level Teaching Assistant, who will be replacing Miss Draper at the end of the half-term. I will inform you if/who we have successfully appointed via Class Dojo on Friday evening.

Have a great weekend,

Mr Cooper (Interim Headteacher)



Getting to Know Each Other

As we are currently unable to hold social events as a way of getting to know each other better, I thought it would be a great idea to have a weekly feature on the Newsletter over these next few weeks, where we can learn a bit more about our families and staff. So I would be delighted if you could share with me your thoughts and news around the following topics:

Wk1 – Getting to Know our Governors: a feature introducing our Governors and some interesting facts about them. Is there anything you would like to know in particular about them?

Wk2 – Share your Charity: is there a charitable cause that is close to your heart? Let us know what it is and why.

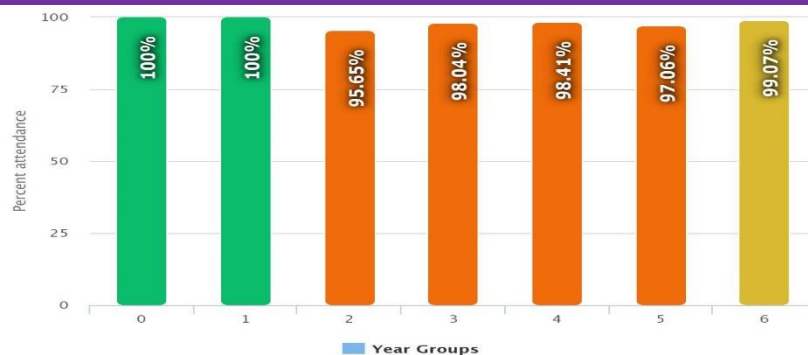
Wk3 – Let's Help each Other: many of our families are self employed, so let's hear about what you do and share the wonderful businesses in our community. From Bee-keepers to Builders, from Wellbeing to Fish & Chips, from Holiday Cottages to Music – we have it all here within our Brompton Family!

Wk4 – Half Term Quiz about the Staff!!! – let's see what you really know about us!

Please send me your submissions by Friday 2nd October on email, along with any thoughts you may have about future features.

Mrs Hargreaves

This Week's Attendance w/c 28.09.2020



Next Week Activities w/c 28.09.2020

Monday	Sausage in a bun & potatoes & peas Photography After School club ends 4.30pm
Tuesday	Pasta Bolognese Skills Checker & Grammar Hammer (moved from Wednesday for this week only) Art After School Club ends 4.30pm
Wednesday	Roast Chicken Dinner Sign Language Lunchtime Club Forest Schools – can come to school in Forest clothing and school jumper Golf After School Club – att Snainton golf centre 4-5pm
Thursday	Mexican Beef Tortilla Boats PE Yoga After School Club ends 4.30pm
Friday	Fish & Chips HLTA Interviews Sports After School Club ends 4.30pm



Term Dates (Academic Year 2020-21)

	Break up	Return to School
AUTUMN TERM 2020		<u>Wednesday</u> 9th September
OCT HALF TERM 2020	Friday 23rd October	Monday 2nd November
CHRISTMAS 2020	Friday 18th December	<u>Tuesday</u> 5th January
FEB HALF TERM 2021	Friday 12th February	Monday 22nd February
EASTER 2021	Friday 26th March	<u>Tuesday</u> 13th April
MAY BANK HOLIDAY 2021	Friday 30th April	Tuesday 4th May
MAY HALF TERM 2021	Friday 28th May	Monday 7th June
SUMMER 2021	Friday 23rd July	Wednesday 8th September 2021 (TBC)

Teacher Training Days 2020/2021 :7th & 8th September, 4th January, 12th April and 26th July **Please avoid booking holidays and other non-essential term-time absence during these term dates.**

Pick-up and Drop-off Times (all from the main school gate)

Class 1 and 2

Drop-off: 8.45-8.55am

Collection: 3.20-3.30pm

Class 3

Drop-off: 8.35-8.45am

Collection: 3.30pm

Parents with children in multiple classes

Drop-off: 8.35-8.55am

Collection: 3.30pm

Brompton Buddies: please come to school back blue door and use doorbell as usual and collect or drop-off at your desired time (7.45am-5.30pm).

