

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March

31st – Last day of school for spring term

April

17th – Back to school

26th – Parents Evening

27th Parents Evening

27th SLT Coffee Morning



May

1st – May Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED

8th – King' Coronation Bank Holiday -SCHOOL CLOSED

9th – 12th year 6 SATS

24th – Class Photos

29th – ½ term break

Message from the Head

Dear Parent and Carers

I hope that you are able to come to coffee morning on 27th April (9 am in the PA hall) as we have a visitor in to talk about healthy life styles with a focus on dental hygiene. This is particularly important as Brent has the highest extraction of children's teeth in the UK!

Thank you to all for supporting Brent's traffic restrictions during drop off and pick up – children are so vulnerable round cars, and this is having a positive effect.

Parents evenings are coming up next term, having been postponed because of strikes. Letters will be handed to children on Monday 17th. Please book your slot to see your child's class teacher – all meetings will be face to face.

I hope you are able to enjoy the 2 weeks break from school. Happy Easter to all those celebrating this important Christian event and to those who enjoy the celebration of spring with chocolate.



Angela Anterkyi

Choir Singing Sensation

The KS2 choir have been working incredibly hard this academic year, taking part in many fantastic opportunities across London. On Friday 24th March they had the tremendous opportunity of participating in the 'Brent Choir of the Year' competition against 36 other schools in Brent, singing the song 'Sing from the heart' and winning a Platinum award. The choir have also secured themselves a place in the finals on May 26th. We are exceedingly proud of their hard work and determination to succeed. Children from Year 4 and 5 have been invited to be part of a 1,500-strong mass choir at a very special event at the Royal Albert Hall on Tuesday May 9th 2023 to celebrate the London Youth Choirs 10th Anniversary.



Reception visit Tate Modern

The reception classes took train from Dollis Hill station to Southwark, and adventure in its self, to arrive at their destination – Tate Modern. They were able to see Henri Matisse’s painting, ‘The Snail’, which will be the focus of their art work next term. In the turbine hall the children heard noise from the rain forest and saw the knotted ropes hanging that were used to communicate. It was a fun day.



Year one at Transport Museum

Year 1 went to the London Transport Museum in Convent Gardens. 1T and 1S met Joe who told them all about his busy bus. 1W met Charlie who took them through a time machine to 1900.

The children saw a horse and carriage, old underground trains as well as new ones. They even got to drive an underground train! A good day was had by all!



Brent Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)



Brent offers activities for children and young people over the Easter holidays. The programme includes: a wide range of fun; educational around healthy eating, lifestyles and food preparation; a nutritious meal each day; signposting, referrals and support for parents, carers and families; a safe place for children to interact with others.

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/childcare-and-early-education/holiday-activities-and-food-programme#spring2023hafprogramme>

ATTENDANCE

The ideal attendance at school is 100%, but anything above 96% is on the right track.

Classes where there has been 100% attendance in the previous week get a very special certificate presented to them at assembly, and teachers proudly put them on the classroom door.

In the month of **February** the classes with the highest attendance were:

Attendance



3K – 97%

5M – 96%

Well done!

RIDDLE FUN!

What's yours, but mostly used by others?



Your name!

ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.

