



## Space Week at the Juniors

This week's Junior assembly was 'Space - The Musical'. With the help of some fun songs, models by **Matthew** and **Sivahaash** and some planet headwear by year 5, the juniors were able to understand the



movement of our planets and the names of our dwarf planets.

## New School Winter Coat



Our current bespoke Winter Coat has been a recognisable and important part of the Bryony School uniform for over 60 years. However, due to the escalating costs of the coat (an incredible +/- £200) we have had to carefully reconsider our options.

From after half term, we are introducing a new navy unisex winter coat for all year groups. This is **now in stock** at the Schooltime shop in Chatham.

This coat is **machine washable, waterproof**, wind proof, fleece lined, with a **concealed hood in the collar** and double stitched taped seams (to withstand school wear and tear). We hope you will agree this is a much more practical modern design for our children to wear and for parents to wash! The cost of this coat starts from £40 and includes embroidery of our Bryony School badge.

Schooltime no longer sell the previous school coat and FoBs are no longer selling second hand coats in the previous style.

We will be phasing our new coats in over this year. By October half term 2019, all children should be wearing this new coat please. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation. Any questions please see Mrs Notley.



### Coming up next week....

**Monday 15th** - Perform Workshops Pre-school to Year 3

**Wednesday 17th** - Year 4A, 4C and 6J Parents' Evening at Meresborough

**Thursday 18th** - Year 5 Swimming

**Thursday 18th** - MYG Hockey at Holcombe

**Friday 19th** - Year 6 Fire Service CPR Training

**Half Term Break** - Monday 22nd - Wednesday 31st Inclusive

**Tuesday 30th** - FoBS Halloween Disco.

### Medway and Kent Tests

Well done to Year 6 on your results! These show the progress made at Bryony as a result of sheer hard work and effort put in. We are incredibly proud of all our children.

This year, the number of children living outside Medway taking and passing the Medway Test leapt by nearly 50% making for fierce competition. Despite this, again we have smashed the local percentage going to grammar of 23% by approx. three times this.

We hope our Year 6 enjoy looking around all the secondary schools!

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# Year 2 Space Assembly Celebrating National Space Week

Year 2 put on a fun, fact-filled assembly last week celebrating National Space Week. The children worked incredibly hard researching information all about Space.

A spacesuit weighs 280 pounds on Earth, but weighs nothing in Space because there is no gravity. - **Jamie**

It takes 45 minutes to put on a spacesuit. - **Amrik**

They were able to show off their fantastic **Space**

Venus is the hottest planet in the Solar System. - **Shanna**

**Rockets** which they made at home as well as their **Solar System**



Astronauts have to do a lot of training before going to Space. They tread water in their spacesuits to get used to zero gravity. - **Debbie**

Mars is 55 million km away from Earth. It takes 300 days to get there. - **Caitlin**

Pluto became a dwarf planet 10 years ago. - **George**

David Bowie's 'Space

**Mobiles** which were created in our Design Technology lessons. The children have been extremely engaged in

Oddity' and Elton John's 'Rocket Man' set the mood at the beginning and end of our assembly. The children even sang along in parts they knew from carrying out extra homework, (finding out songs with a space related theme). Year 2 wrote all of their own facts to share in assembly from what they have remembered from their science lessons.

this topic and have taught the rest of the infants some very interesting facts about Space!

**Mrs Dyne and Mrs Paice**



## 'SheCanPlay'

The girls of years 1 - 4 took part in a 'She Can Play' girls football taster session this week. We were lucky to have England Lionesses U19 and Charlton Athletic Womens

player Katie Startup visit us to coach the girls. The girls were taught various techniques using drills which they then used in open play. A great afternoon had by all.



## Pre - School Butterflies

Pre-School have been learning about the life-cycle of a butterfly. We watched 5 caterpillars developing until they each formed a chrysalis. The children looked at them every day to see if anything had changed inside the butterfly garden. After 2 weeks 5 Painted lady butterflies emerged. We held one of them and then we took them outside so we could watch them fly away.

Mrs Reid

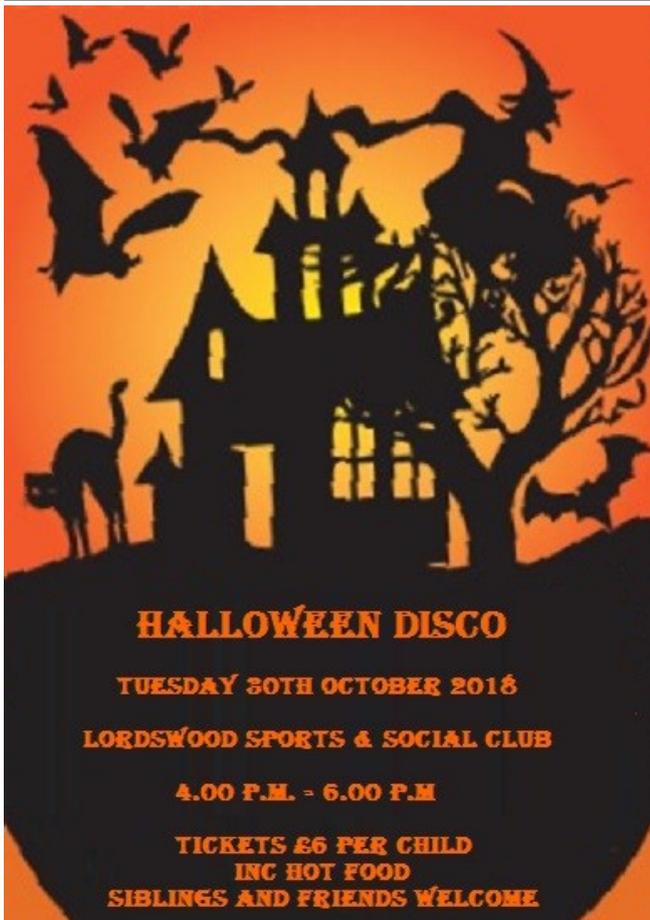


## Food Technology

Year 6 enjoyed making a mixed salad during their lesson with Ms Claxton. They used their cutting skills and worked in pairs to prepare a nutritious addition to any meal.



## Friends of Bryony School (FoBs) Halloween Disco



FoBS would like to invite Bryony children and siblings/friends (up to the age of 12 years) to the FoBS Halloween Fancy Dress Party on Tuesday 30th October from 4 -6 p.m. at Lordswood Sports and Social Club. This event is during the Half Term break.

Tickets for this event are priced at **£6** per child and include hot food and squash. Babies under the age of 2 years old are free of charge but will not receive food. The club bar will be open for parents to purchase drinks/snacks.

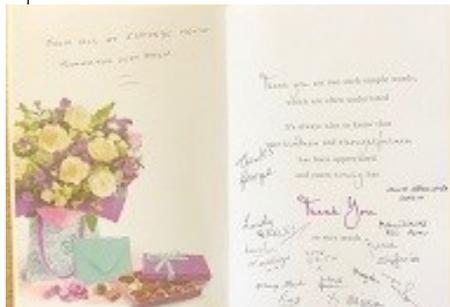
Please remember that children must be accompanied by a parent/adult carer whilst at the party as FoBS volunteers cannot be responsible for your child.

Before we break for half term—please respond using the ParentMail form and send in the exact money to FoBS via the office. Please use an envelope with your child's name /children's names on it and details of any other siblings or friends under 12 years old that will be coming with you.

**\*Tickets (including for non-Bryony children) must be purchased before we break for half term in order for Fobs to pay for catering \***

## Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival was a great success this year and the parents and children of Bryony school were again extremely generous with their donations. Special assemblies were held at both the Infant and Junior sites by Mr Johnson to recognise the meaning of the Harvest. The children gave thanks and sang songs in celebration. The food parcels were distributed by the children of year 2 and year 5 to the local residents of the Mailyns and the Platters. The remaining parcels were taken to Esmonde House in Gillingham where the elderly residents were overwhelmed with the donations and we have received several calls and cards of appreciation.



Thank you all for your generous gifts continued support.



Reception parents please have a look at the Medway Messenger this week for your child's 'First Class' photo. Unfortunately not all children were in that day!



Our Junior School Choir are off to the O2 in January to participate in the Young Voices Concert. This is the largest school concert in the world. Watch this space for further updates.