



# Bryony School Newsletter

Friday 20th November

## Anti Bullying Week

On Monday, children and staff wore odd socks to school to launch the start of Anti-Bullying Week.

**"We are wearing odd socks to show that we are different, but still show kindness to each other."**  
- Kesi



**"We are wearing odd socks to show that we must not bully anyone."** - Honey

These are some of Year 2's thoughts on **Anti-Bullying**.

**"We should be kind."** - Darcy

**"We are all different and if someone is different we should be friends."** - Amrita

**"We all have our own personality."** - Isabelle

**"We aren't the same because it would be boring!"** - Rosie

**"Do not leave anyone out!!"** - Isabella



The children in Year 2 discussed why we were wearing odd socks and that it is OK to be different! In the afternoon, the children designed their own odd socks.

**Mrs Dyne**

## Odd Socks' Preschool

Preschool are wearing their odd socks today and talking about kindness. We have had a story about friendship and talked about how we are friends with everyone and how we can be kind.

**Mrs Reid & Mrs Robinson**



## FoBS Christmas Raffle

FoBS are holding a Christmas Raffle which will be drawn on 11th December. FoBS have been unable to hold the usual fundraising activities due to COVID-19 restrictions but funds are still being used to benefit your children, most recently the Wet Play Boxes and each child will receive a Christmas gift. We would be so grateful for your support by purchasing the raffle tickets your child should have sent home or by donating a prize or both! Your ongoing support is most welcome.

Prizes have been generously donated by **Mrs Bernini, Mrs Powell and Ms Goldsmith**



Please email [admin@bryonyschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@bryonyschool.org.uk) if you would like to buy more tickets.

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## Investigating Forces

Year 5 have been investigating the forces of gravity, friction air resistance and water resistance. Before half term, the class designed an experiment to investigate the effects of air resistance on different sized pieces of paper.



The experiment would show which pieces would fall the fastest or slowest due to air resistance slowing the paper down.



Although our experiment didn't quite go to plan, the children explained why this was and how we could have improved our investigation.

The behaviour has been impeccable with these science investigations and all children have been extremely inquisitive, progressing in their knowledge brilliantly!

**Mrs Platford**

## Pen License Success

Well done to the following children who have attained their pen licenses this week...

**Inara, Ovo & Ryanveer 3C  
Jeevat & Naila 3R**

Well done to all of you....



## Diary Dates

**W/C 23rd November - Infants  
Letters to Santa**

**Wednesday 25th November - Year 5  
Curriculum Meeting (GoogleMeet)**

## Evolution Studies!

Year 6 have been studying inheritance and evolution with enthusiasm and an inquisitive nature. As part of our studies, we had a role play lesson where we looked at different philosophers and scientists and their theories on evolution. To ensure the children could become fully immersed in their role we used some very interesting masks!



Of course, the children found this hilarious and Mrs Platford had to put on a mask to save some of the embarrassment!



Lots of the children commented on how Ashton's mask actually resembled him anyway! Despite the comedy, the children listened intently to the different character's evolutionary theories.

Great work Year 6!

## Important Reminders

We strongly recommend that you download the ParentMail App and set notifications/alerts for emails and forms so that you do not miss anything.



Afterschool club telephone number when collecting your child is **07564 906654**

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## Road Safety Week with our Infant Children

This week in year 2 we have been learning about Road Safety. **"We went online to learn about road safety."** - Rosie. On Tuesday we joined Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in a virtual meeting with **Paul Binnie** from Medway Council.



**"When we cross the road, we must hold a grown up's hand."**- Isabella

He spoke to us all about road safety. We all discussed different types of traffic and the 4 main important rules of crossing the road. **STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK.**

**"We have to look left and right and stop, listen and think before we cross the road."** - Honey

After our meeting, the children went outside to observe the surrounding area of Bryony School. They noticed cars, yellow lines, pavements, zig zag lines and kerbs.



**" We looked outside of the school at the road and we looked at what we could see and ticked it off the list."** - Isabelle

Mrs Dyne

### 'Preschool' Crossing

Preschool having fun but also learning some very important road crossing skills.



Mrs Reid & Mrs Saroya

We were very lucky on Tuesday morning to be able to speak to **Paul Binnie, Road Safety Officer at Medway Council**, using Google Meet. He spoke to **Reception** and KS1 children about the importance of keeping safe on the roads.



He told us the 4 important things to remember when crossing the road with actions. **Stop, Look, Listen and Think** He also sent us worksheets to complete.



We couldn't wait to practice what we had learnt!



Mrs Oliver & Mrs White

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## Forest School

We had so much fun in our new rainforest.



We made tepee's and found worms.



We made a Gruffalo' crumble and we also made a worm house!



Mrs Oliver & Mrs White

## Shoebox Appeal

**Evelyn** from **Reception** has been making up shoeboxes for children whose families are struggling this year. This is such a lovely idea and we are very proud of her.

**Bryony School** have also launched 'shoebox for a stranger' continuing our support for 'One Big Family'. Please see the ParentMail sent out earlier this week for more details.



One Big Family  
Kent

## Anti Bullying Year 5

During guided reading, Year 5 are studying, **'The Boy at the Back of the Class'** by **Onjali Q. Rauf**. This story tackles many issues including relevant subjects in today's society. The narrator shares their viewpoint of when a refugee from Syria, Ahmet, joins their class and the challenges he faces in his daily life; amongst these difficulties, bullying and prejudice are included. Therefore, in keeping with **anti-bullying week**, the children were reminded of what bullying and specifically, prejudice means.



They then focused on photos of refugees taken during 2020. Year 5 reflected on the experiences of refugees travelling to different countries and then focused on

how the bullying and prejudice on top of this, may affect refugees and their character, Ahmet, emotionally and physically.



The children showed great sympathy as well as shared their thoughts on what they would do to stop

bullying and welcome others despite differences. Great job Year 5! What a caring bunch you are!

Mrs Platford

## Thank You

We would like to say a special thank you to the following parents this week for helping resource our new Early Years forest area at the infants:-

- **Jovan's** parents for obtaining log seats
- **Theodore's** parents for obtaining cook ware and pot donations
- **William's** parents for log donations.

**Thank You!**

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## Superstar Bella

At the weekend, **Isabella** in Year 2 met with Darren from One Big Family to receive a medal and certificate for all of her fundraising (**which now stands at a total of £1720!**)



"On Saturday, I got to meet Jim and give him some food. We got him a special radiator which helps him if he is in danger. Jim was really happy and said that it was very kind of me to help him".



## Spelling Shed

The top 3 children in each year group for Spelling Shed are:-

- Reception :** 1st - **Evelyn**  
2nd - **Laith**  
3rd - **Jovan**
- Year 1 :** 1st - **Inès**  
2nd - **Hughie**  
3rd - **Charlotte**
- Year 2 :** 1st - **Darcy**  
2nd - **Kesi**  
3rd - **Isabella**
- Year 3 :** 1st - **Danny**  
2nd - **Inara**  
3rd - **Tom**
- Year 4 :** 1st - **Josh**  
2nd - **Kiye**  
3rd - **Deborah**
- Year 5 :** 1st - **Bryn**  
2nd - **Lois**  
3rd - **George**
- Year 6 :** 1st - **Gurjaan**

Well done to everyone who has logged into Spelling Shed this week.

## Head Teacher Awards

Each week I give out Head Teacher's Awards for those children we have been particularly impressed with for displaying Bryony School values.

**Olivia Yr 1** - For outstanding art skills and a truly wonderful portfolio of art work.

**Ezekiel Yr 5** - For always displaying a cheerful and optimistic attitude in school and for perseverance in learning.

**George Yr 5** - For extremely thoughtful ideas when discussing the plight of refugees and showing tremendous empathy for a character in guided reading.

**Naila Yr 3** - For a fantastic attitude towards independent learning and for persevering and trying hard.

**Oscar Yr 4** - For displaying detailed knowledge and understanding of living things and their habitats in Science. Outstanding homework on a classification key and giving appropriate feedback to his peers.

**Deborah Yr 4** - For showing great kindness to another.

**Bertie Yr 4** - For perseverance in maths.

**Sophie Yr 5** - For vast improvement in handwriting.

**Olivia Yr 5** - For vast improvement in handwriting.

**Jack Yr R** - For showing kindness to others and for being so helpful to his peers.

**Harry Yr 5** - Great improvement in presentation.

## House Points

The top house point earners for their house this week are:-

		<b>Infants</b>	
		Sai	<b>Emerald</b>
		Theodore	<b>Zircon</b>
		Kesi	<b>Ruby</b>
		Honey	<b>Sapphire</b>
<b>Juniors</b>			
Kiye	<b>Emerald</b>		
Freya	<b>Zircon</b>		
Amrik	<b>Ruby</b>		
Harry N	<b>Sapphire</b>		

### Overall House Table

<b>1st</b>	<b>Ruby</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Zircon</b>	<b>112</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>Emerald</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>Sapphire</b>	<b>86</b>