



Bryony School Newsletter

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Welcome Back Bryony!

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back after the summer break and hear of their holiday adventures. Across the school the children have settled quickly which is lovely to see. I would like to say well done to our year 6's, many of whom took both the Kent and Medway test earlier this week.

We are all really looking forward to our new term ahead with some very exciting plans and events coming up. Details of forthcoming dates in September at in this newsletter –note in particular our Harvest Festival on Friday 22nd September for food and non-food donations for the Medway Foodbank .

Mrs Gee

"Work hard, be kind, and amazing things will happen." — Conan O'Brien

Special Treat for Year 6

We are so **proud** of our **Year 6's**. They have been working so hard- here they are celebrating after the end of the Medway and Kent tests! They have been treated to the post-test jam doughnut. This was a treat started by **Mr and Mrs Edmunds** in 1988 and is still very popular!

Mrs Notley



Newly Elected School Captains



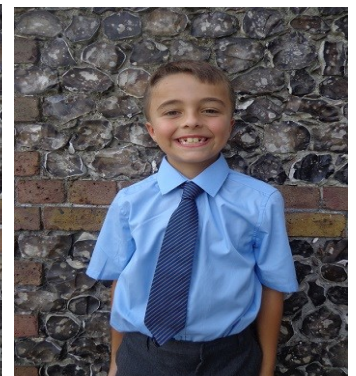
Inara - **Sapphire**



Brendan - **Zircon**



Jeevat - **Emerald**



Louie - **Ruby**

Newly Elected Sports Captains



Tom - **Emerald**



Mya - **Ruby**



Elijah - **Zircon**



Naila - **Sapphire**

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Holiday Project

Over the summer holidays, I set the children in Year 2 a creative project where they could research games from the past or make some Victorian toys.



The children have created some wonderful pieces of work, including spinning tops made out of clay and lots of thaumatropes (an optical instrument or toy) which the children have enjoyed playing with during our Topic lessons.

Mrs Dyne

Nature Sculptures



Last Friday, Year 2 went on a local woodland walk to collect resources for our 'Nature Sculptures' topic this term.

"We collected lots of leaves and sticks and put them in a big box!" - Sienna

We are looking forward to all the creations we will make over the term!

Mrs Dyne and Mrs Apps



Online Safety Bulletin

This weeks National Online Safety have produced this useful poster of Top Tips for Parents & Carers when it comes to setting boundaries for gaming! For more information:- <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

Top Tips for SETTING BOUNDARIES AROUND GAMING

If your child loves video games, then you'll probably be aware that how long they spend gaming – and what they're actually playing – can occasionally become a source of concern or conflict. The UK's main body for interactive entertainment, UKIE, has recently launched a campaign to promote safer and more responsible gaming among young people – with parents and carers helping by setting sensible and fair boundaries. Our guide has tips on try areas where you could agree some healthy ground rules for your child's gaming activity.

PROMOTE SAFER GAME CHOICES
Deciding which online games are OK – and which should be avoided – is tricky. Some titles (children in particular) can be competitive or complex with strategies, which create potential risks. Watching your child play online for a particular game, with the parental consent, can help you to understand the content that your child is playing. If you're not sure if a game is suitable for your child or you think there's something about the game that you're concerned about, you could ask the game's developer or publisher for more information. Our guide has tips on try areas where you could agree some healthy ground rules for your child's gaming activity.

ENCOURAGE REGULAR BREAKS
Help your child understand the need to take regular breaks, playing in moderation. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions.

AGREE SPENDING LIMITS
There's no doubt that gaming can be expensive, and young gamers often don't realise how much paying for add-ons, in-game purchases, and other things can add up to. Many young gamers love to buy things like in-game items, but it's important to set spending limits. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions.

DISCUSS AGE RATINGS
Children often ignore the age ratings on games – or are unsure if they really understand it. If you're happy with your child playing a particular game, then you should check the age rating. The age rating tells you how mature the content is, and it's important to check the age rating before you let your child play a game. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions.

BE PREPARED FOR TROLLS
A frequent problem when gaming online is other players who are abusive or unkind. Make sure your child knows how to report and block someone who makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions.

Meet Our Expert
National Online Safety has a team of experts who provide advice and support to parents and carers. Our experts are available to help you with any questions you have about online safety. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions. Being in front of a screen for too long can be tiring and may affect your child's concentration. Encourage your child to take breaks during their gaming sessions.

National Online Safety
#WakeUpWednesday

Hello Year 3!



Year 3 have really settled down well. Their work is amazing!

They have been using base ten to practice their place value skills.

Mrs Foot



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Reminders

School Uniform

We continue to wear the Summer uniform up to the half term break in October.

New Uniform is available at **Schooltime** .

87-89 High St, Chatham ME4 4EE. You can also visit their website:
<https://schooltime.co.uk>

Friends of Bryony School have had lots of donations for our nearly new uniform shop. Thank you for your generosity. Please contact the school office with your requirements.

This week's impromptu sale raised over **£250**.....

Junior Clubs

Check out our Junior Clubs in the chart Below.

Morning and After School Care

If you require morning or after school care please complete the ParentMail form, in advance.

Diary Dates

September

Tuesday 19th - KS1 (Years 1 and 2) - Curriculum Meeting for Parents (Virtual - Google Meet)

Wednesday 20th Yr 5 Curriculum Meeting (including 11 plus) for Parents 6.p.m. at Marshall Road

Wednesday 20th - Year 3 visit to the Guildhall, Rochester

Thursday 21st - Early Years and KS1 visit from Perform4All

Thursday 21st - Year 5 Swimming

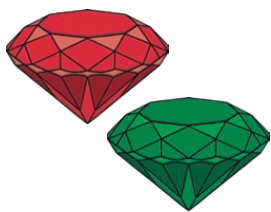
Friday 22nd - Preschool, Infants and Juniors - Harvest Festival

Thursday 28th - Year 5 Swimming

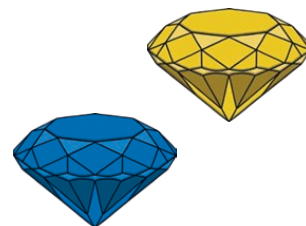
Thursday 28th - Year 3/4 Primary School Games, Tri Golf Festival, Howard School

Junior Clubs

Day of the Week	Lunchtime/ After School	Type of Club	How to Sign Up	Teacher
Every Day	Lunchtime	Library	See Mrs Foot/ Mrs Ware	Mrs Foot/Mrs Ware
Monday	Lunchtime	Japanese	See Mrs Atkins	Mrs Atkins
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Art and Mindfulness	Via ParenMail	Mrs Kilbourne
Tuesday	After School	Basketball Years 3 to 6	Via ParentMail	Mrs Atkins
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Homework	See Mrs Foot	Mrs Foot
Thursday	After School	Hockey Years 3 to 6	Via ParentMail	Mr Johnson
Friday	Lunchtime	Choir for Christmas Connects	Via ParentMail	Mrs Foot



House Points Term 1



Weekly House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	Sapphire	281
2nd	Zircon	258
3rd	Ruby	213
4th	Emerald	183

A great start to the new term.. **Sapphire** takes the lead in our first week closely followed by **Zircon**

Running House Point Scores.

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Congratulations and best wishes to:-

**Isla, Obarinsola, Olivia-Grace, Harland,
Jovan & Jaiveer**

who celebrated their birthdays in the holidays and since
the beginning of the Autumn term

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**



Practising your spellings will always help you
when you have your spelling tests...

Year 1: 1st - **Nihaal**
2nd - **Ted**
3rd - **Teniola**

Year 2 : 1st - **Obarinsola**

Year 3 : 1st - **Evelyn**
2nd - **Mireya**
3rd - **Sai**

Year 4 : 1st - **Sylvia**
2nd - **Matilda**
3rd - **Lyla**

Year 5 : 1st - **Safet**
2nd - **Olivia**
3rd - **Darcy**

Year 6 : 1st - **Ava**
2nd - **Mya**

Well done to all the children for using the
SpellingShed program to practice your
spellings throughout the year.



The more you practice the better you will
become!

Year 1: 1st - **George**
2nd - **Teniola**
3rd - **Avery**

Year 3 : 1st - **Alicia**
2nd - **Lyla**
3rd - **Avery**

Year 4 : 1st - **Amelia**
2nd - **Lyla**
3rd - **Charlotte**

Year 5 : 1st - **Olivia**
2nd - **Safet**

Year 5 : 1st - **Ava**

MathShed is a fantastic way to help you
learn and practice your Maths. Well done to
everyone who has logged in during the year.