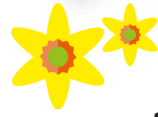




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# Newsletter



**Autumn Term | Late September 2023**

## Message from Naomi Grant

Dear Parents/ Carers,  
It's been a busy few weeks in my new role as Head of School.



This year I would really like to work on improving our attendance. It's so important that children come to school everyday. Basically, if they aren't in school, they can't learn.

We are also excited to be updating our communication systems. You have told us that we need to get better so we are!

Please make sure you download both the Arbor and the Class Dojo apps.



**ClassDojo**



Finally, we have our first parents evenings of the year on the 10th and 11th of October. I am looking forward to seeing you all there. If you are struggling to book an appointment, please phone the office.

*Mrs Grant*



# Arbor



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## Open Morning

On Thursday 14 September we welcomed parents into school for an opening morning where they enjoyed taking part in activities and to see what work their child has been doing. We thank all parents/carers who attended - it was a great chance for them to see what learning looks like at Braunstone Frith Primary Academy.



## Happy Lunches

Pupils have been enjoying the fun activities during our Happy Lunches.



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## Mealbarrow Winner

Just before the summer break [we told you](#) how our Mini Eco Ambassadors took part in the Mealbarrow competition held at Leicester's Abbey Pumping Station.



There was competition from 20 other schools with almost 200 members of the public casting their vote on which design they thought were the best. We are proud to say that we came in First Place in the public vote! Visitors were said to be "very impressed" with the range of crops and the inventiveness of the submissions.

New for this year, schools were asked to complete a 'growing report'. This included looking at: what was being grown in the barrow; the environmental practice; making the most of the space available; thinking about what went well and the most enjoyable parts of the competition; and considering any difficulties including what you would change for the following

year. Based on the reports, schools achieved either a bronze, silver or gold rating for their work. Braunstone Frith Primary Academy was awarded with a Gold rating! Well done to everyone involved. We will soon be visiting Inglehurst Junior School to discuss our work.

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## REACH IT

Our pupils have been showing great dedication to REACH IT.



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## Staff Members

Please find below a list of staff members:

**EXECUTIVE HEAD:** Mrs A Smith

**HEAD OF SCHOOL:** Mrs Grant

**OFFICE:** Miss Brewin

**SENDCO:** Mrs Jeffery

**SAFEGUARDING:** Miss Hynes

**CHAIR of GOVERNORS:** Mrs Reid-Mackay

**DEPUTY HEAD & FOUNDATION**

**STAGE PHASE LEADER:** Mrs Duggan

**ASST. HEAD KS1 PHASE LEADER:**

Mrs Patel

**ASST. HEAD Y3-4 PHASE**

**LEADER:** Mr Booth

**ASST. HEAD Y5-6 PHASE LEADER:**

Mrs Murray

**TEACHERS:**

**BUSY BEES:** Mrs Smith/Mrs Tonks

**FABULOUS FROGS:** Mrs Tatton

**HAPPY HEDGEHOGS:** Miss Croft/

Mrs Howitt

**SMART SQUIRELS:** Mrs Braim

**WISE OWLS:**

Mrs Osgood

**AWESOME**

**OTTERS:**

Miss Burch

**BRIGHT BADGERS:**

Mrs Scott/Mrs Byrne

**3H:** Miss Hession

**3S:** Mrs Summers

**4M:** Miss Morris

**4J:** Mr Jefferies

**5K:** Miss King

**5N:** Mr Naylor

**5C:** Miss Collins

**6F:** Miss Fisher

**6G:** Miss Ground

**6M:** Mrs Murray/Miss Pick

## Attendance

This year we are determined to improve our attendance at school and, in doing so, maximise the learning of all children. We need your help to do this - please bring your children to school EVERYDAY! Obviously if they are really poorly there may be times when they need a day off, but make it one day, not a week. If they are a little 'under the weather', bring them in and we will keep an eye on them. We will call you if they aren't well enough to be here but children usually 'perk up' after they get here!

Also, there are a whopping 175 days in a year outside of school! This time can be used to spend on holidays, family visits, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.

### ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Children are required to attend school for 190 days each year.

| Attendance during one school year | Equals days absent | Which is approximately weeks absent | Which means this number of lessons missed |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 95%                               | 9 Days             | 2 Weeks                             | 40 Lessons                                |
| 90%                               | 19 Days            | 4 Weeks                             | 80 Lessons                                |
| 85%                               | 29 Days            | 6 Weeks                             | 120 Lessons                               |
| 80%                               | 38 Days            | 8 Weeks                             | 160 Lessons                               |
| 75%                               | 48 Days            | 10 Weeks                            | 200 Lessons                               |
| 70%                               | 57 Days            | 11.5 Weeks                          | 230 Lessons                               |
| 65%                               | 67 Days            | 13.5 Weeks                          | 270 Lessons                               |

How does your child's attendance compare with this target?

Please remember that children who miss a lot of school achieve less.



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## Useful Numbers

**New Parks Library** – every Monday 3.30 – 4.30pm (Take ID and proof of income)  
**Binspired, Wellinger Way, Braunstone**  
 – 0116 2232256 Tuesday & Thursday 11- 4pm  
**Early Help Team** – 0116 4541004  
**Safeguarding Duty and Advice (Social services)** 0116 4541004  
**Child health advice:** - 0116 2153231  
**NSPCC** – parent helpline: 0808 8005000  
**Childline:** 0800 1111  
**New Parks Children Centre/Advice Point** - 0116 229 3257  
**Braunstone Children Centre/Advice Point** - 0116 373 7150  
**Citizens Advice Leicester** - 0808 2787970  
**Domestic Abuse support** - UAVA - 0808 80 200 28  
**Zinithya Trust Advice/Support** - 0116 254 5168

## Safeguarding

**The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)** at our school is Mrs Hynes.

The deputy DSLs are: Mrs Smith, Mrs Duggan, Mrs Hynes, Mrs Grant, Mrs Harvey, Mr Booth and Ms Wittering. They are available to discuss any issues or concerns.

## Stay Connected

Be sure to follow us on social media:

Facebook:

[BraunstoneFrithPrimarySchool](https://www.facebook.com/BraunstoneFrithPrimarySchool)

Twitter: [@BFPSOfficial](https://twitter.com/BFPSOfficial)

Youtube: [Braunstone Frith Youtube](https://www.youtube.com/BraunstoneFrithYoutube)



## Parents' Meetings

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Happy Hedgehogs Nursery           | Monday 9 October<br>1-2.30pm                        |
| Parents Evening Foundation—Year 6 | Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 October. 3.15 pm-6.35pm |
| Busy Bees                         | Wednesday 11 October 1pm-2.30pm                     |
| Frogs Nursery                     | Thursday 12 October 1pm-2.30pm                      |

Click [here](#) to make an appointment.

## Half Term

School will be closed between Monday 16—Friday 20 October for the Autumn Half Term break.

## Contact Us

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