

Newsletter

February / March

Spring feels like it is on its way despite the rain. We are looking forward to using our school grounds for learning and for play and can't wait to get the swimming pool up and running!

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day dressing up was amazing! What a range of fantastic outfits and absolutely everyone took part. Well done to all! We also loved seeing all your 'extreme reading' entries - congratulations to Poppy Hawken, Finley's mum and Mrs Hext who all win a £10 book voucher.

E-safety talks

Our Key Stage 2 children have enjoyed E-safety talks from Andy Potter, our local PCSO in the last few weeks. I know he was very impressed with their knowledge already and helped answer any further questions they had.

Stay and Play Session

It was great to have such a brilliant number of people come to the Reception Stay and Play session. We hope you all found it a useful afternoon.

Absences

We would like to remind all parents that if your child is ill, you should ring the school before 8.30am to leave a message on the answer machine with the child's name and why they are off school. Mrs Wall checks the absence calls first thing and if you ring later than 8.30am we might just miss your message!

Payments

Thank you very much to everyone getting on board with our paperless system. It is much easier for Sue Wall in the office if everything is processed through ParentPay and I know that lots of parents have said how convenient it is. On a further note, Mrs Rundle is hopefully due back after Easter. We are keeping our fingers crossed she makes a speedy recovery and we see her back in the office in no time!

SATS week

The Year 6 children will be sitting statutory tests in the week beginning the 8th of May. It is essential that the children are in school that week.

SPTO

We still have lots of pupil logins for your child's pupil tracker assessment data in the office. Please pop in and grab them at your convenience.

Parking

Just a reminder, please be considerate and mindful when parking near the school in the mornings and evenings at collection time. I have had a number of people speak to me about near accidents out there, particularly at home time, please ensure you park in designated areas and reverse out of your spaces with due care.

Dogs

We are still finding dog mess in the school grounds in the mornings before school. If you see anyone walking their dog out of school hours on the site please help us by making them aware that dogs are not allowed on site at any time. Many thanks.

Chocolate Bingo

We are hosting this great fun family event on Friday 24th March at 6pm, first game at 6.30pm. There will be lots of chocolate prizes and everyone is welcome. Each game is £1 - you can play all 5 games and the flyer or just one or two. Please feel free to bring a bottle (50p corkage) and refreshments will also be available on the evening. We will have a small break for food and drink half way through. Bring a dabber or a pen with you!

Alongside this we are holding a **non-uniform day on Friday 17th March** for the whole school at £1 each to raise funds for the event.

May Fayre

In the Summer term we are hosting a May Fayre. This will take place on Saturday 20th May. If you would like to be a 'buddy' for the organisation of this event or have any ideas to make it a great day, please see me or your child's teacher. We would love all of your help!

Facebook

We now have a Facebook page for 'Brixton St Marys'. I will be using this as a bulletin board to let you know what is coming up and to show all the exciting things that have taken place at school. Please like our page or share with it with others.

DATES for your Diary

March	
9.3.17	Quince Honey Farm Trip (Y1&2)
9.3.17	Maths Workshop 3.30 & 6pm
16.3.17	Eucharist 10am
17.3.17	Non-Uniform Day for all £1 (Fundraising for Choc Bingo)
20.3.17	Parent's Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
20.3.17	Parent/Governor Drop-in
22.3.17	Parent's Evening 3.30-6.30pm
24.3.17	Enterprise Day - Comic Relief
24.3.17	Chocolate Bingo
27.3.17	Ugly Bug Ball Y1 & 2
28.3.17	Multisports ICC Yr 5&6
29.3.17	USF Football Festival
30.3.17	Stover Trip (Reception)
30.3.17	Easter Service 2.15pm
31.3.17	School closes for Easter holidays at 3.15pm
April	
18.4.17	School opens at 8.50am

Kind regards

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