

Brambleside Primary Newsletter

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Team Brambleside raise £700 for Skylark Ward at KGH



On Wednesday, Mr Brown and four of our Year 6 pupils visited Kettering General Hospital's Skylark Ward to present a cheque donation of £700.

The donation comes as a result of our school coming top of the schools' leader board for last year's Beat the Street initiative for which we won £700 in sports vouchers. As a school we decided to donate the cash equivalent to Skylark Ward at Kettering General Hospital.

Skylark Ward Manager Donna Mason said: *"This is absolutely fantastic news and I am so grateful that Mr Brown and team have chosen Skylark Ward to donate to. We will use the donation to buy specific equipment for the benefit of those babies and children who are cared for on Skylark Ward."*

Keep a look out for news of our donation and visit to Skylark Ward on KGH's facebook page and in the local media!

Used Book Sale Thurs 5th March After School - in the Hall

After the success of the last Used Book Sale (we raised a fabulous £82.30!), we are having another one after school on Thursday 5th March in the Hall. Come along and buy some bargain books! All monies raised will be reinvested in to our school library. (If anyone has any books they would like to donate, please bring them to the office - thank you).

PE Socks

Please can we remind children to bring a pair of socks in their PE kit, especially if they are wearing tights to school. Thank you.

Dates For Your Diary

March 2020

Thurs 5th March - World Book Day

Thurs 5th March - Used Book Sale - after school in the Hall

Mon 9th March - School Class Photos

Fri 20th March - FOBs Mother's Day Present Room

Fri 20th March - Year 1 West Lodge Trip

Thurs 26th March - Rock Steady Concert
9.00am to 11.00am (more details to follow)

Thurs 26th March - Year 2 Manor House
Museum Trip

April 2020

Wed 1st April - Parent Consultations

Thurs 2nd April - Parent Consultations

Fri 3rd April - FOBs Easter Bonnet Parade (KS1)/ Easter Egg Decorating (KS2)

Mon 6th April - 17th April - School closed for Easter break

Mon 20th April - School reopens

Wed 22nd - Fri 24th April - Year 4 Frontier
Centre

28th April - Year R - Royal and Derngate
Trip



Advice Regarding Coronavirus

You will be aware of the changing situation with regard to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

At Brambleside Primary School, we are following the advice from Public Health England and the government, found at the following websites: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Travel advice for those travelling and living overseas:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/travel-advice-novel-coronavirus>

Public Health England blog:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

The latest advice is that if you have returned from the following specific areas since 19th February, you should call NHS 111 and stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have symptoms:

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in the Lombardy and Veneto regions of Northern Italy as designated by the Government of Italy
- Daegu or Cheongdo in South Korea
- Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days)

If you have returned from the following areas since 19th February and develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS 111:

- Northern Italy (defined as North of Pisa but not including Pisa, Florence and Rimini)
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar

If you have a cough, or fever or shortness of breath and have visited any of the following areas in the last 14 days, stay indoors and call NHS 111 informing them of your recent travel:

- China
- Thailand
- Japan
- Republic of Korea
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau

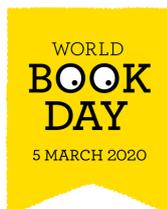
The poster (on the back page of this newsletter) has been designed for education settings, and we are following its guidance.

We will keep you informed of any changes to school protocol.



World Book Day

Don't forget it's World Book Day on Thurs 5th March 2020. The children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character or a character from a book they have shared in school.



A Special 'Leap Year' Birthday for Mrs Thorley



We would like to wish a very happy 'Leap Year' Birthday to 1TB's TA, Tracey Thorley, who turns 60 (or 15 in leap years!) on Saturday 29th February 2020!

Mrs Thorley and her family made headlines locally in 1996 when her twins, Tayla and Joshua, beat the odds and were born on 29th February, 36 years to the day after their mum!

We hope that they all enjoy their birthday celebrations on Saturday!

Crazy Hair Day Success

A big thank you to everyone who took part in Crazy Hair Day! We raised a fantastic £309.25 which will be donated to Aaron's Just Giving Page to help him reach his target.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/aarons-beat-cancer-page>

Picture News



Question:

Will emojis ever be as important as words?

News:

The new batch of emojis to be released in 2020 has been revealed. One of the new emojis is called "pinched fingers" and depending on where you are in the world it could have a completely different meaning.

British Value:

Individual liberty.



Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our children, please contact the school and ask for Mrs. Eaton-Brown, (Designated Safeguarding Lead). Mr. Brown and Mrs. Goosey are also trained Designated Safeguarding Leaders. Alternatively contact the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub on 0300 126 1000.



Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it
with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it
by washing
your hands with
soap & water or
hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



**After breaks
& sport
activities**



**Before
cooking
& eating**



**On arrival at
any childcare
or educational
setting**



**After using
the toilet**



**Before
leaving
home**



Try not to touch your
eyes, nose, and mouth
with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come
into contact with your mouth
such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share
items such as bedding,
dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings [gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19). Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Wuhan and Hubei Province in China should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See **NHS.UK** for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately

