



Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome to our new Reception Children and their families, They are all settling in really well and have had a tour of the school today, meeting children and staff.

They look to be a lovely and enthusiastic class. I think both they and Miss Tomlin will be in need of some early nights over the weekend! They'll be with us until 1.30pm next week so will have their first experience of school lunches.

### Next Week's Dates:

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2.50-3.15pm-** Y1 meet the teacher

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2.50-3.15pm-** Y4 meet the teacher

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2.50-3.15pm-** Y5 meet the teacher.

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 9am -**PTA Coffee Morning in the Dome.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September-**Y3 Swimming starts

### Future Dates:

**Dates for diaries 2018-2019 is attached with this newsletter.**

**Monday 17th September:** First week of clubs

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2.50-3.15pm-** Y3 Meet the teacher.

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 9am-**PTA AGM in the hall

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September:** Y6 Transport for London Safety & Citizenship Presentation.

**Friday 21st September:** Y3 trip to St Mark's Church, Bromley. (Aquinas Schools' Service).

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September:** Jeans for Genes Day. £1 donation to charity in return for wearing jeans to school.

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 3.30-4pm-** Bromley Admissions Talk to Y6 Parents re applying for a secondary school place.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September-**Y6 Bikeability Training.

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2.50pm** -Reception and Y1 Phonics Talk in the Dome.

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October-**Parent Consultations 3.30-8pm.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October-**Parent Consultations 3.30-6pm.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October-Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** 2 week Half Term Holiday.

### Awards

The Spike Trophy (for attendance and punctuality) went to Y6 this week. Well done!

School Council Reps for this term are: Y1: LJ, Y2: Eden, Y3: Riya, Y4: Indi, Y5: Lewis, Y6: Ophelia and Louis D-H (Head Boy and Head Girl).

House Captains – Many congratulations to the following children who have been elected by their peers to become House Captains for the term:

**Wilberforce:** Zac (Y5), Natalie (Y4), Isla (Y3), JJ (Y2), Dario (Y1).

**Crompton:** Ben (Y5), Rhea (Y4), Vinnie (Y3), Semra (Y2), Miles (Y1)

**Caesar:** Reece (Y5), Piers (Y4) Luca (Y3) Emi (Y2) Owen (Y1)

**Darwin:** Frankie (Y5) Ella (Y4) Ben C (Y3) Ava (Y2) Brody (Y1)

Y6 will be elected next week.

### School News

#### Attendance

I have been receiving a number of requests for time off for family holidays. I therefore felt it appropriate to remind parents of our Attendance Policy which can be found on the School's Website and is also attached. Holidays in term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. Unauthorised holidays may result in a fixed penalty notice per parent per child. In order to request leave, you must complete a leave of absence form, available from the office.

Please provide evidence if your child has a medical appointment and please telephone or email the school by 8.50am if your child is unwell and not coming to school.

Absences at the beginning of the academic year, including those due to illness, are only authorised in exceptional circumstances

#### Invalidated SATs Results

Each Autumn term results are sent to school following the Y6 SATs for schools to check before publication. As you are aware I was very proud of our Y6 pupils last year and the initial progress and attainment

results look very good. The official tables are published in early December when we can all celebrate. I am very pleased with the current Y6s who are rising to the challenge.

### Y6 Moving onto Secondary School

Bromley Admissions will be holding an information meeting for Y6 parents at Keston on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm. They will explain the procedure for applying for a school place. The deadline for applying online is **midnight Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

Secondary Schools will be holding their open events this month and in October. All of the details are on the Bromley Council Website. Some dates of our local schools are:-

Ravensbourne-Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September-6-9pm

Ravenswood- Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 9.30-12.30pm.

Bishop Justus Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September-6.30-9pm

Charles Darwin-Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September-9.45-12.30pm

Darrick Wood-Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 6-9pm.

Hayes-Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October-9-12pm

### Clubs

The cut off for applying for clubs is this Sunday. Applications will be open on School Gateway until then. Mini Trampolining and Rhythm and Beat are full, some of the clubs are low in numbers and may not run. We will advise you next week.

**Due to the work involved in the office sorting out the clubs we will not accept any late requests next week.**

### Lunchtime Cross Country Club

Letters went out this week. We desperately need parent helpers in order for the club to take place – please consider volunteering even isn't if your child isn't in KS2.

### PTA News

#### Coffee Morning and AGM

The PTA will be holding a coffee morning in the dome next Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 9am. Please come along for a coffee and meet the PTA. Younger children are welcome.

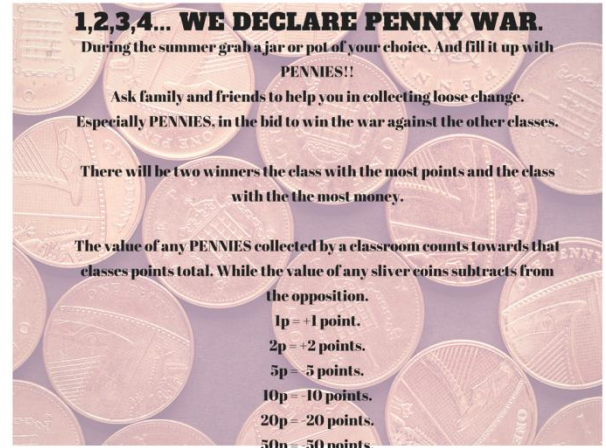
The PTA have asked if the Class Reps can attend if possible.

They will also be holding their AGM on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 9am in the school hall. If you would like to join the PTA please have a chat with them at the coffee morning next week.

### PTA Penny Jar

Over the summer holidays children were encouraged to fill a jar with pennies.

The PTA has decided to extend this activity until the end of September. So far it looks like Y3 are winning. Reception children are welcome to join in.



### Community News

**BYMT**

**Try a Musical Instrument Day**

**SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2018**  
**10.00am—1.00pm**  
**ADMISSION FREE**

Information and advice on learning to play  
Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Harp, Flute, Oboe, Clarinet,  
Saxophone, Bassoon, French Horn, Trumpet, Trombone,  
Euphonium, Tuba, Drums, Piano & Guitar

**BROMLEY YOUTH MUSIC TRUST**  
**SOUTHBOROUGH LANE**  
**BROMLEY, BR2 8AA**  
**bymt.co.uk**  
**020 8467 1566**

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Lessons for many instruments are available within school (fees are payable).

**Wickham Park Tennis Club** has an Open Weekend offering free tennis to all the family and offering huge discounts on membership and tennis lessons.

Why not come along and have a look - you can receive free coaching on the day, a huge discount off 6 months' memberships;

Adults usually £111.50 at the open day only £60

Juniors usually £32.50 at the open day only £17

Family usually £257 at the open day only £135  
(to those that have not been member in the last 3 months).

And all those who attend can receive a free trial lesson the following week and a 25% discount of the remainder of a terms coaching.

Wickham Park Tennis Club  
228 - 230 Pickhurst Rise  
West Wickham  
Kent  
BR4 0AU

Saturday 22 September 2pm – 5pm

Sunday 23 September 2pm – 5pm

Free coaching on both days;

**Adult Coaching-** 2.30 - 3pm & 3.30 -4pm

**Junior Coaching**

10 & Under: - 2.30 - 4.30pm;

Over 10: - 3 - 3.30pm & 4-4.30pm

For more information contact Rob Sheath;

[www.wickhamparktennisclub.co.uk](http://www.wickhamparktennisclub.co.uk)

[info@wickhamparktennisclub.co.uk](mailto:info@wickhamparktennisclub.co.uk)

Telephone 07956231870

COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN FOR FREE

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 11am-4pm**

A chance to visit the Roman Tombs and Garden off the Westerham Road. Please see attached flyer.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Evison

Headteacher