



Dear Parents,

I hope you are all staying safe and well. Over the half term please do not do any school work. Children and adults need a break for everyone's emotional wellbeing.

Dates for Diaries

Monday 22nd February-School returns for children of critical workers and vulnerable children.

Monday 1st March- National Offer Day for all children moving up to secondary school in September 2021.

Thursday 4th March-World Book Day. Children are invited to dress up in their favourite book character.

School News

The previously published inset day **Monday 22nd February** was changed to Friday 18th December 2020 and therefore we will be open again for children of critical workers and vulnerable children on Monday 22nd February.

Coronavirus

COVID – Half Term Protocol.

If your child tests positive for Covid or develops symptoms within 48 hours of being in school please immediately ring 07941347259 AND email keyworker@keston.bromley.sch.uk. Mrs Davall and I will continue to monitor emails over the half term. Fingers crossed we all keep safe.

Please be reminded that activities such as playdates or the mixing of households are not permitted over the half term break and that outdoor exercise (including going for a walk) is limited to meeting one other person outside the household. We have managed to keep the school, and all bubbles within it, open since schools first returned in June (with the exception of one bubble having to self-isolate during the Christmas holidays). I'm sure no-one wants this to be in jeopardy after half-term, particularly now that the full re-opening of schools is hopefully in sight.

Communication

Please do not contact the teachers over half term as they need a break. I have told them not to respond. However, if there is an emergency-

Keyworkers-Please use the keyworker email address keyworkers@keston.bromley.sch.uk

or email the admin email address, as this will continue to be monitored by the office.

admin@keston.bromley.sch.uk

Consent to receive Direct Marketing

Please complete and return the consent for direct marketing form which was sent out on 26th January. (Attached).

Parent 5 minute catch up video calls

Thank you to those parents who attended our 5 minute catch up video calls this week. I hope you found them useful and informative. Well done to everyone including staff for taking on board another piece of new technology.

Oscar



Oscar (Y6) loves fishing and entered a competition at the end of last year and I am delighted to report that he was chosen as the winner and has been offered a free days fishing tuition with two ambassadors from the world's largest fishing company. Here he is with his most treasured catch so far, a 9lb fully scaled mirror. Well done Oscar!

World Book Day Thursday 4th March

Please visit the World Book Day website.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/events/>

They are celebrating this year with some extra special FREE digital events. Look forward to a star-studded cast of authors, illustrators and hosts – all here to help you celebrate the most exciting book day of the year! You will be able to watch them live on the website or on their YouTube Channel.

The line-up includes:

Wednesday 3rd March, 10.30am – Books that Make you LOL!

Starring: Humza Arshad, Alex Bellos & Ben Lyttleton (Football School), Jonny Duddle and Zanib Mian
Hosted by Kenny Baraka, motivational speaker

Thursday 4th March, 10.30am – World Book Day special – Bringing Reading to Life

Starring: Joseph Coelho & Fiona Lumbers, Tom Fletcher and Lydia Monks
Hosted by Nigel Clarke, TV presenter

Friday 5th March, 10.30am – Books and the Real World

Starring: Sita Brahmachari, Jess French and Katherine Rundell
Hosted by Jessie Cave, actor and podcaster

At school the teachers will read to their class. Children who attend school can come in dressed as their favourite book character and those at home are welcome to dress up for their zoom meetings and every child will create their own book.

Home Learning-“Changing to teams”

Letters were sent out yesterday to Y3, 4, and 5 parents regarding the implementation of Microsoft Teams after half term. Feedback from Y6 has been very positive. Have a play over half term.

BYMT KS2 Virtual Singalong

BYMT are putting together a Virtual Singalong of Robbie Williams' 'Love My Life' of students in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 from across the Borough of Bromley. This is a free project to take part in, and will involve your child filming themselves singing the song along to a track (in their headphones), so that they can put all of the videos together in one film. Anyone who registers will be sent all the resources that they need to take part. (See attached flyer)

Bromley Schools Collegiate



(Please see attachment)

Have a restful and peaceful half term.

Julia Evison
Head Teacher