

Bickley Primary School

March 9th 2020



National Tests for Yrs 1, 2 and 6

Year 6 parents - Please note that SATs week this year is w/b 11th May. Please try to avoid making medical appointments for the mornings of that week.

Year 1 parents - The Year 1 phonics test will take place during the w/b 8th June.

Year 2 parents - Year 2 SATs tests will take place during May. There are no prescribed dates.

New Caretaker

Mr Troth has left us and we have appointed a new caretaker who will join us just before Easter.

Cross Country

Well done to the children from Yrs 3 and 4 who ran in the Cross Country event in Crystal Palace Park at the weekend. The event was open to all Bromley schools and there were hundreds of children running in each race. We were very impressed with our children's resilience - even when losing shoes in the mud! A special well done to Sienna Curtis (Yr 3) and Anne-Sophie Charlesworth (Yr 4) who came 11th in their races and to Oscar King (Yr 3) who came 9th in his race - a fantastic achievement!

Sport Relief

Don't forget to bring your loose change on Wednesday this week as we are collecting money for Sport Relief. Children can wear sports clothing for a donation of £2 and will be taking part in a Beat the Goalie competition against Year 6 children.



Dates for the Diary:

10/3/20 - Yr 6 class photos
11/3/20 - Sports Relief
Kinetic Science Workshops Yr 2-6
17/3/20 - Reception trip to Godstone Farm
24/3/20 - Yr 4 visiting Methodist Church
27/3/20 - Yr 2 Great Fire of London day
30/3/20 - Parents' evening
01/4/20 - FoBPS Easter Disco
02/4/20 - Parents' evening
03/4/20 - Reading Café for Reception
End of Term
20/4/20 - INSET Day
21/4/20 - Back to School

Teaching and Learning Review

On 27th February we had our annual NEST Teaching and Learning Review. The director of education from the Trust, along with a NEST consultant and the Head Teacher of another NEST school, carried out an 'Ofsted style' review, during which they observed lessons in every class, looked at books across the school, listened to children read, met with a group of pupils, and interviewed subject leaders.

The day was extremely positive and we were delighted that they recognised all the hard work that is going into making the school move towards an 'Outstanding' judgement. The following are quotes from the report:

'Of note is the high degree of consistency in the level of active and engaging teaching seen and pupils show high levels of enthusiasm for their learning across the range of subjects.'

'Pupils are actively encouraged to take responsibility for their own and others' learning and show high levels of independence and engagement from an early age.'

'Pupils also have a very good understanding of how to learn and achieve success. They understand the importance of resilience and perseverance and are determined to achieve well.'

'The school environment exemplifies the leaders' high standards.'

'Teachers set high expectations and questioning is used skilfully to challenge and extend learning.'

'There is good evidence that pupils are being challenged at their level in maths across the school.'

'Pupils in Reception show high levels of concentration and engagement in activities led by adults and in those they initiate themselves.'

Well done, everyone! I am delighted that the report reflected the consistently high standards of teaching and learning and the engagement of the children.