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NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 2023

Letter 10

17th November

Headteacher's notes...



There was a great selection of odd socks on Monday to start Anti-Bullying week, as you can see from children in 4 Willow! We spent time in Assembly thinking about this year's theme of Make A Noise and the children have been doing activities around this in class during the week.



Thank you for all your donations today in support of Children In Need. So far we have raised over £236 and our Just Giving page will remain open for the next few weeks. It can be found by clicking on [Brampton Village Primary School is fundraising for BBC Children in Need \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/Brampton-Village-Primary-School).

Last Friday Year 6, to support their topic on The Maya, enjoyed a visit from 'Mexicolore' who are specialists in focusing on The Maya and Aztecs. They did some wonderful, engaging activities as the company brought along a vast array of artefacts, clothing and musical instruments, which they used during the morning.

We have various bugs going around the school at the moment which are affecting both children and staff. Please make sure that your child is well enough to attend school and remember the 48 hour policy we have in place for any sickness or diarrhoea. We will contact you if we feel that your child is unwell and should be collected.

Sports News

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the U11 Pokemon Cup on Tuesday. Brampton made it to the semi-finals – well done. Next week children from Key Stage 1 are taking part in a Rapid Fire Cricket tournament and we wish them good luck!

Parent Computing Guide

Coming home today is the latest computing guide. This week, the guide is supporting carers and parents with Smart TVs.



Staffing

Miss Edwards, our SENCo, is currently on maternity leave and is not available to respond to any emails. Please contact the school office on office@brampton.cambs.sch.uk if you have any questions.

With Mrs Potts now on maternity leave we are pleased to welcome Mrs Morris who has joined us to work in the school office.

PTA

PTA Meeting

There will be a PTA meeting next Thursday 23rd November at 7.30pm. We are holding this one online and everyone is welcome to join. Please find the link below to dial in:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 392 098 069 657

Passcode: YtZHBk

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_YmMOZTg5OTctNGRkNy00YmFjLTk4YjQtNWU2NTA5NjQwNjRi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e327b364-041e-4c51-82f2-c906a78f9cc9%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%221e9d8e25-5225-4e22-89a8-25924b4463e7%22%7d

PTA Christmas Raffle

We are excited to announce that tickets are now on sale for the much-coveted Christmas raffle. We have some wonderful prizes already from local businesses who have once again come out in force to support us - thank you! Keep an eye on our socials for sneak peaks at some of the prizes.

Tickets are £1 each and are available through SumUp at this link:

<https://brampton-pta.sumupstore.com>

You will then be emailed with your ticket details (nb. this is not automated so please give us a few days to process the payments).

The draw will be made at our Christmas Event on the Green on Tuesday 19th December so please come along to see if you are a winner. Anyone unable to attend will be contacted after the event with details of how to collect their prize.

Round Table Santa Sleigh

We will once again be supporting the Huntingdon and District Round Table as they fundraise alongside Santa's sleigh in Brampton. If we provide volunteers to help collect, the PTA get to keep a portion of the funds raised and it is a lot of Christmassy fun to be a Santa's helper. Dates and times as follows, if you would like to help please email bramptonpta@outlook.com with which date (please note children are welcome to come along but must be supervised by an adult at all times):

Thursday the 7th December (High Street start) - 6pm meet for 6.30pm start and 8.30pm finish

Monday 11th December (Belle Isle start) - 6pm meet for 6.30pm start and 8.30pm finish

Bags 2 School

Reminder that there is a collection coming up on Wednesday 29th November.

Many Thanks
The PTA Team

What's On Next Week

Monday 20th November

Tuesday 21st November

NHS flu Immunisations

Y1/Y2 Rapid Fire Cricket

NFL Club Yr 6 3.30 – 4.15pm

HSSP Yr 1&3 Multi Sports 3:10 – 4:10pm

Wednesday 22nd November

Governing Body meeting 6.30pm

Thursday 23rd November

Choir 8.20am

HSSP Girls' Football 3:20 – 4:20pm

Yr 6 Football 3.20 – 4:15pm

PTA meeting 7.30pm

Road Safety Week

Next week is Road Safety Week. The aim is to raise awareness of the dangers of excess or inappropriate speed and to help people understand why safe speeds are so vital for safe and healthy journeys.

This is especially important around school as is parking sensibly – not at junctions, on corners or on crossings as each day there is the potential for a serious accident to happen.

Please walk, cycle, scooter or drive sensibly so that we all arrive safely. Don't forget to **Be Bright, Be Seen!**

ROAD SAFETY WEEK 
by  **Brake**, the road safety charity

Ice and hail are two of the main hazards to look out for. However, preparing adequately and driving appropriately will help you stay safer

- ◆ Tyres – most UK cars come fitted with summer tyres, consider changing to winter or all weather tyres. no less than 3mm is recommended for safer driving. Check tyre pressures regularly as they can change once the temperature drops.
- ◆ Antifreeze – check coolant level, top up if it's low or take it to your local garage.
- ◆ Battery – a flat battery is the most common cause of winter breakdowns. Check yours is OK, your local garage or battery dealer can help.
- ◆ Fuel – keep at least a quarter of a tank in case of unexpected hold ups or delays.
- ◆ Lights – carry spare bulbs and make sure all lights are clean and working correctly.
- ◆ Windscreen – renew worn wiper blades and clean windscreen inside and out. Don't try and clear a frozen windscreen with wipers as it can damage the rubber. Don't defrost your windscreen by pouring boiling or hot water over it, as it could crack.
- ◆ Screenwash – use a 50% mix of good quality screenwash to stop it from freezing. Top up regularly – you'll use a lot more in the winter months.
- ◆ Locks and seals – stop doors freezing shut by using Vaseline or a similar product on rubber door seals.

Our top tip is to take it slow. stopping distances can be 10 times longer when it's icy. Gentle manoeuvres and slow speeds are the key to safe driving in ice and snow.



New mental health text line - HEAR 85258

A new mental health free text messaging support service has launched in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to help those who are struggling to cope.

Launched by NHS Cambridgeshire & Peterborough and in partnership with the national service SHOUT, the free to use text service HEAR 85258 provides real-time support to people of all ages who are struggling with their mental health.

When texting the word HEAR to 85258, the person will be connected to a trained volunteer who will take them from a place of crisis to a place of calm. During the confidential and anonymous conversation, the texter will be supported and signposted to local and national mental health services.

Texting HEAR to 85258 is free, discreet and runs 24/7. It won't appear on any bills and requires no app, data, password, or registration. It is available for anybody who lives, works, or studies in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

For more information about what mental health, services are available in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, visit www.keep-your-head.com.

If you feel your or somebody's life is at risk due to their mental health, dial 111 and listen for the option for the mental health crisis team.

