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## NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2024

Letter 7

16<sup>th</sup> February 2024

### Headteacher's notes...

In this last week before half term, the school has been overtaken with Romans as children, staff and volunteers from Year 3 all took part in activities on their *Roman History off the Page Day*. They looked fantastic in their costumes and thank you to everyone who came and helped on the day. Year 2 had a successful visit to the Church yesterday and enjoyed exploring all around. They were commended for their behaviour – well done to all of them and thank you to all those who supported this visit.



It has been a busy few weeks since the start of term with lots of successes once again and I hope that you have found this week's Parent Consultations useful and informative. We have continued to have a number of staff and children off unwell and hopefully half term will give everyone the chance to get better. As we finish today, we say goodbye to Mrs Slowe, one of our Teaching Assistants and Midday Supervisors, with our thanks and best wishes.

We wish you all a good half term and look forward to seeing you when we return on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**.

For ideas and activities to do over the break please visit: [Brampton Village Primary School - February Half Term Activities](#)

### Sports News

Congratulations to our gymnasts who took part in a competition on Tuesday. 12 children from Year 3 and 4 went to the HSSP Key Steps Gymnastics Competition where each performed a floor routine and then a jump. Everyone had a wonderful time and enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to all the supporters who came along.



### World Book Day

A reminder that World Book Day is fast approaching on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** and as part of this, we will be inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character or to come with a small prop/badge/accessory or object linked to their book. Please do not feel that elaborate or expensive costumes are necessary.



### 2 Maple and 5 Willow Parent Consultations

Unfortunately, appointments were not able to take place earlier this week in 2M and 5W. New dates are:

2 Maple	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February, Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February, Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30 – 6.00pm
5 Willow	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	3.30 – 6.00pm

In order to book a new appointment please visit [SchoolCloud - Brampton Village Primary School](#). If you have any problems please contact the school office. Bookings for 5W are open from 7.00pm this evening.

## PTA News

**The grand total is in:** The discos raised a fantastic **£2446.47** , which will go towards the cost of the playground works that the school are looking to complete over the summer holidays. Thank you again to DJ Pete Robbins and all the volunteers involved either on the day or in the planning.

## Summer Fayre



Do you want the Summer Fayre to happen this year? We need additional volunteers to help with the organisation of this event if we are to go ahead. Interested in finding out more or keen to get stuck into something? We're holding a planning session on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb (7:30pm) at the Holiday Inn (Brampton Racecourse) in their bar area. There are lots of ways you could get involved so come and find out more.

Please use the signup link below to let us know (even if you can't make the session on the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb) so we know who wants to get involved. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-47949147-summer>

**World Book Day Competition** - Your children will all be getting some information on Friday about a fantastic competition sponsored by **Image Exclusive** where your children have the chance to win

- Family Portrait Experience including a framed picture + £10 book token
- Family Portrait Experience including a mini framed picture + mini art set

There will be a first prize and two runners up per year group so why not use half term to draw your favourite book character on the entry form. Return your forms to school once completed.

**Cake Friday** - 8 March (Maple and Brambles to provide cakes). Sign up link will be available post half term - please save the date!

Many thanks

PTA Team

## What's On after Half Term

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Y5/Y6 Quicksticks tournament  
HSSP Y5/Y6 Netball 3:20 – 4:15pm  
NFL Y5/Y6 3:20- 4:15pm  
Y6 RSE meeting 5.30pm (on Teams)

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February

Book Fair (after school)  
Choir 8.20am  
Book Fair (after school)  
Football match (to be confirmed)  
HSSP Girls Football Yr3 -6 3:20 – 4:20pm  
Y6 Rotary Quiz 7.00pm

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March

Book Fair (after school)

### **A message from Brampton Spartans:**

*Brampton Spartans is your local Children's Football Club. We have loads of opportunities for parents and children to get involved in the club. Please take a look at the following and don't hesitate to get in touch if you want to know more.*

### **Soccer School**

*Each year we run a Soccer School for Year 1s on a Sunday Morning from 9:30 - 10:30, in preparation for an Under 7s Team to be formed the following year. We are contacting you at this time to invite any parents of current Reception aged children that would like to attend Soccer School in September to please contact us on the following email [bsfcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:bsfcsecretary@gmail.com) Everyone is welcome, across all abilities.*

**Soccer School – Coaching** *We are on the lookout for 2 coaches that would like to take on Soccer School for the coming 24/25 season (starting in September), unfortunately our current Soccer School coach will be leaving us at the end of the season. The club will pay for qualifications you will need. We also have a team of coaches that are on hand to offer advice, support and training if needed. We won't be able to run Soccer School without the support of new coaches, so we are hopeful there are some willing volunteers. Please contact us on the following email address if you are interested: [chairmanbsfc@gmail.com](mailto:chairmanbsfc@gmail.com) .*

### **Girls Football**

*As a club, we are extremely keen to make football accessible and inclusive for everyone. We are looking to run some girls only training sessions with our female coaches in order to gauge interest in creating girls specific teams. We plan to run these sessions during Spring and early Summer for all ages and abilities. If you have a girl who is interested in free football training and is excited to learn how to play the beautiful game please email: [bsfcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:bsfcsecretary@gmail.com) .*

### **Joining an existing team:**

*Currently we are running an U7, U8 Blue, U8 Red, U9 Blue, U9 Red, U10, U11, and U12 team.. While some of our teams are full, we are always on the lookout for new players to train with us, or to supplement the teams or even to join teams fully if there are places. In some cases, if we get a lot of interest we can create an additional team in that age group. If your child would like to play football and isn't part of a team, you can email your interest to: [bsfcsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:bsfcsecretary@gmail.com) .*

*Finally.... Brampton Spartans is an inclusive club, we are here to serve the children of our community and we make the very best efforts to provide football for everyone. We are very flexible with our teams and as long as there is enough interest we are happy to start-up new football teams when needed, please feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions on how we can support your needs.*

*Kind regards*

*Brampton Spartans Committee*

### **Information from Empathy Lab: Empathy and Reading**

*Empathy is our ability to experience and understand someone else's feelings. It creates stronger, kinder communities. Children won't thrive without this crucial life skill, and developing it improves their wellbeing, reading for pleasure and active citizenship.*

*Excitingly, research shows that empathy is a learnable skill, and that books play a key role in developing it. When children identify with book characters, they learn to see things from other people's point of view. As they read, they are building their empathy skills.*

