



At The School Gate



Community Newsletter - Brampton Village Primary School

Week Ending 6th March 2026

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Headteacher's Log

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant week it's been at Brampton Village Primary School! There's so much to share with you all, and I'm genuinely excited to tell you about everything that's been happening.

Let me start with World Book Day – what an absolute joy it was to see our pupils arriving at school dressed as their favourite characters. The effort that went into those costumes was incredible, and I want to say a huge thank you to all of you for making it such a special day. It really does make a difference when families get involved like that. I have to admit, I was rather pleased with my own Willy Wonka outfit, though I have to report that I wasn't quite as unique as I'd hoped. I spotted six other Willy Wonka's wandering around school, and there were even two Charlie Buckets, which was brilliant. Interestingly, despite all those golden tickets being handed out, I didn't spot a single Oompa-Loompa anywhere – perhaps they were all too busy in the factory!



Prior to World Book Day, we've also held our Book Fair, which has been a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to explore new stories and discover books that really capture their imagination. Our Reading Buddies programme continues to grow. Watching older pupils supporting younger ones with their reading is genuinely heartwarming. It builds confidence, develops leadership skills, and most importantly, it keeps that love of reading alive and thriving throughout the school.

On the sporting front, we've taken part on a NFL festival and had an exciting Year 5 football match. I'm delighted to tell you that our football team played brilliantly and secured a fantastic 6-5 win on penalties. It was a thrilling match, and the pupils showed real determination and teamwork out on the pitch. That's the kind of spirit we love to see.

Finally, I want to mention our Year 6 pupils that are returning from their residential trip to Hilltop in Norfolk. Sixty of them spent time away from school, and these experiences are so valuable for their development. Residential trips create memories that last a lifetime and help our pupils grow in confidence and independence. Huge appreciation to all the staff that accompanied them throughout the week.

It's been a busy and joyful week, and I'm so proud of everything our school community has achieved together. Thank you for your continued support. See you at the school gate,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Chris Hill'.

Chris Hill, Headteacher

Headteacher Awards

Dancing competition medals and awards won by Edith (Y3) and Betsy (Y4)
Roman Villas made for homework projects by George, Elliot and Mason (Y3) plus some creative Windmills by Benjamin, Chester, Lucy, Evie and Grayson (Y1).



Tree points -scores so far up to 5th March 2026

	BEECH	20996
	MAPLE	21912
	WILLOW	21280

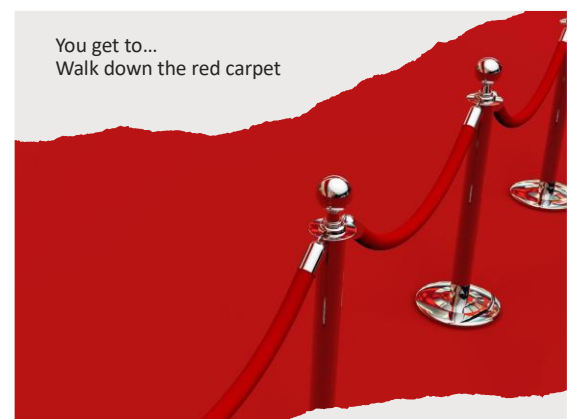
			
Good manners	Taking care of the school environment	Personal achievement	Headteacher Award
			
Lunchtime Award	Independence	Helping others in the school community	Sportsmanship

VIP Celebration Assembly this week

The following children have been selected to receive our VIP awards this week. They have walked (and in some cases danced) down the red carpet. They will now wear their VIP lanyard for a week and then enjoy snacks and drinks with me next Thursday.

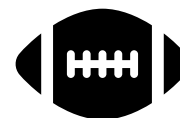
VIP roll of honour (Friday 6th March 2026) –
Congratulations to:

Oba A	Joshua F	Noa MM	Finley W		
Archie K	Luna S	Louis H	Roisin K		
Bella C	Harley L	Lyla-Mae W	Summer C	Alana-Rose M	Elora E
James H	Jessica B	Faith M	Anna R	Nimueh L	Brody M
Aubrey S	Charlotte M				



NFL

On Tuesday morning eight children represented Brampton at the NFL festival at St Ives Outdoor Centre. They had to adapt fast as a new rush system had recently been introduced. The children played well against some well organised teams. Again than you to all the parents for their support and to Caoimhe for our post match cake.



Team: Caoimhe, Neve, Samson, Sulaiman, Jackson, Avyaan, Luke & Omar

Mr W

Year 5 Football team – penalty shoot our victory



Brampton's year 5 team took on Stukeley meadows in the Walters Cup on Thursday afternoon. The match ended in a 2-2 draw and went straight to penalties. The final penalty kick was saved by our keeper Jack which means Brampton are through to the next round. Thank you to all the parents who came along to support.

Parent Survey Launch delayed

Due to some technical set up issues I have decided to delay the release of the parent survey. This will now be released after the Easter break.

Please see below the dates of a range of key events happening at school

13 th March	PTA Cake Friday
DELAYED	Parent Survey Launch
20 th March	Red Nose Day (non-uniform day)
Wb 23 th March	Easter Competition
27 th March	Last day of term
Tuesday 14 th April	Children return to school
Wb 11 th May	Y6 SATS
11 th -13 th May	Y4 Residential
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of term
Tuesday 2 nd June	Children return to school
30 th June	Move up to new classes
30 th June- 2 nd July	HBK Transfer days (Y6 into Y7)
8 th July	Reports handed out at open afternoon 3.15 - 4.15pm

** Please note that Netball club and Arts & Crafts club has been cancelled for Monday 9th March. They will both resume on Monday 16th March.

PTA News

World Book Day competition entries

Well done to our World Book Day winners and runners up. There was so many amazing pictures so much so that where Image Exclusive would normally only choose one runner up, they actually chose 3+ in some of the years. All parents of the winners and runners up will be contacted directly by Image Exclusive so they can book in the photo shoot they won as a prize. It also raised £150 for the PTA which is amazing! The winners from each year will have been announced today during the school VIP assemblies.

WINNERS!

Brambles / Reception:
➤ Penelope Burtenshaw



Year 1
➤ Amelie Adams



Year 2
➤ Hannah Beagrove



Year 3
➤ Emily Foster



Year 4
➤ Alfie Kafel



Year 5
➤ Naomi Pasham



Year 6
➤ Tess Curliss





Brambles & Reception	Isabella F
	Imogen L
	Rhys B
	Charlie M

Year 1	Elsie B
	Finley S
	Ruby H
	Sophia B

Year 2	Caitlin B
	Ivy G
	Abel H
	Sienna M

Year 3	Nora B
	Tyler E
	Myles G
	Sophia L

Year 4	Ethan H
	Sienna B
	Ellie B-B
	Aurelia J
	Naya M
	Amelie G

Year 5	Vanessa T
	Sofia R
	Erin T

Year 6	Evelyn T
	Scarlett Rose E
	Aurora B
	Ava June T
	Huda A

Cake Friday

A reminder that Cake Friday next week (**Friday 13th March**). For the KS1 children (inc. Reception & Brambles), the KS1 hall opens at 3:00pm while for KS2 children, the KS2 hall opens at 3:20pm with cakes costing £1 for two cakes. Cakes are being provided by **Maple classes** this time around so don't forget to **bring in your cakes on Friday morning**. We could also do with a few more volunteers - If you can help (either with setup or for an hour after school), please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CADA82AA2FB6-62126784-2026#/> - Children can be collected from their classes and brought to the hall after school to meet you there.

Mini Marathon

Reminder that the **deadline** for submitting an expression of interest for one of the 25 places we have as a school is **today** which can be done through this link: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/kMgjy5y2qq>. We've already had more than 60 expressions of interest so good luck to everyone - You'll find out if you've been successful next week!

School Lottery

Finally another reminder around our weekly School Lottery. Tickets cost just £1 and you have the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot plus the regular Super Draw - This week's is for a Home Robot bundle inc. a Roomba 405 Plus combo vacuum and mop for carpets and hard floors and a Lawnmaster Ocumow to keep the garden under control. Want to know more or enter, buy your tickets online at <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/brampton-village-primary-school>

Community News- Easter HAF Programmes



We are delighted that the HAF programme, funded by the DfE, is running for a further three years.

The Easter HAF Programme is operating from 30 March to 10 April. Eligible pupils can attend a participating holiday scheme for 16 hours, fully funded. A daily meal and participation in enriching experiences are offered. Eligibility vouchers are issued to parents/carers on 2.3.26 by email and/or text and professionals can request additional codes under the wider eligibility criteria from this date.

Further details: [HAF Parents webpage](#)
Email: HAF@cambridgeshire.gov.uk