

July 2021



Transition Activities



Visiting new classrooms and teachers is a hugely important part of our transition process for each year group. Following a recent directive from the Local Authority informing schools that the usual activities cannot go ahead due to bubble-mixing, we have needed to adapt our plans. However, we wanted to reassure you that each class will still meet and spend time with their new teachers before the end of term in a COVID-safe (but still enjoyable!) way. Current Reception and Year 1 children will also get to see their new classrooms. Our teachers and teaching assistants can't wait to meet their new classes and we know the children are excited too!

Diary Dates

- 8 July WestEnd Dance YR/Y1/Y2
- 15 Jul - YR Pirate Day 1-3 (tbc)
- 22 Jul - non-uniform day
- 23 Jul - 1 Sept - School Holidays
- 2 Sept Inset Day - children not in school
- 3 Sept - children return to school

Planning to Progress – A note from the local authority

In response to the third national lockdown and children only returning to school full time in March 2021, the local authority has worked closely with teachers to create Citywide 'Planning to Progress' documents for English and maths.

These documents streamlined the National Curriculum in every year group and identified essential objectives that would support pupils in progressing into their next academic year. No objectives were left out and the remaining desirable objectives allowed for teachers to further consolidate and extend learning. Teachers have used these guides to plan curriculum lessons that ensure children have been taught the key knowledge and skills in reading, writing and maths for their year group. By doing this, the Programme of Study (POS) for each year group has been adapted as gaps in knowledge have been identified and fundamental learning revisited to secure coverage.

These documents have been used across Brighton and Hove Primary schools and have been also shared with our secondary colleagues who will be using them to inform their planning for new pupils in September. This has provided a consistent Brighton and Hove approach and will support all pupils as they transition to their next stage of learning.

Change of address/contact details

Please let the school office know if you have changed your address, mobile phone or home telephone number. Thank you.

Miss School Miss Out

90% attendance may look impressive but it means missing 19 days of education in a year.

Phonics and Spelling

Year 1

In all of our lessons at the moment, we're celebrating spelling! We'll be giving certificates to the children who are using their sound mats, best bet posters and common exception bricks to correctly spell Year One appropriate words. Look out for lists of Year One Common Exception words being sent home to practise reading and spelling.



Thanks for your support!

Your School Lottery

We have currently sold 135 tickets, a huge thank you to those of you who have bought one. The annual amount we are estimated to make will be £2,808 this will go towards books, please can you help us make the annual target £3,000!!

Please help us get the tickets count to 160! Click on the following link to buy a ticket www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

If you purchase a ticket by 17th July 2021 you will be in with a chance to win a Year of Fruit and Veg home delivery i.e. 12 monthly fruit & veg boxes delivered to your door.

Thank you for your continued support and Good luck!

Reception Class - Pirate Day

15 July (to be confirmed)

We will be hosting a thrilling Pirate Adventure Show. YR Children to dress up in Pirate Clothes ready for lots of pirate activities. Please do not buy any special clothes, children can wear simple trousers, leggings and t-shirt. They will be making pirate hats and eye patches on the day.

Safe Play in the Sun



As the weather gets warmer (we hope!), we would like to remind you to please apply sunscreen to your children before school and send them in with a hat to wear during outside play. No adult can apply sunscreen to a child at school, but children who are able can apply more sunscreen themselves during the day. Please let your children know that they must not share sun protection products.

