



Newsletter

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Headline:

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved our UNICEF Rights Respecting Schools Award at Level 1. Following a rigorous assessment day last week, our assessor, Mr Paul Harris, was extremely pleased with the work of the school around raising awareness of the Convention of the Rights of the Child and wholeheartedly agreed that we should be awarded Level 1 status.

The assessment included interviews with staff, pupils, parents and community members and Mr Harris requested that we pass on his congratulations to everyone for achieving our award.

He was especially pleased with:

- The school's international perspective and our commitment to the Convention on the Rights of the Child
- Personalised learning which enables pupils to develop confidence and learn about the wider world
- Relationships with partners and the wider community
- Pupils' knowledge and understanding about rights
- Curriculum links to the Convention and our in-depth learning about rights
- Displays around school to reflect our commitment to children's rights
- Respect across the whole community
- Resolution of conflicts and problem solving
- Feeling safe and knowing how to keep ourselves safe
- Strong pupil voice
- Fundraising and charity work

We are really delighted to achieve this status and are keen to start working towards Level 2 of the award over the next few years.

Mrs Marie and her team of willing and enthusiastic volunteers (parents, pupils, staff and community members) need a special mention for their work in driving the school forward to gain this status, but this award demonstrates our whole school commitment to recognising the rights of every child, across the world.

We are proud to be the first primary school in Medway to achieve level 1 – check out the weblink here:

[:https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/about-the-award/level-1-schools/](https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/about-the-award/level-1-schools/)



Our Nurture room

Coming Soon
22ND March Mother's Day market for Y1-6 children over lunch time

22nd March - FS1 (Nursery) Mother's Day tea (10.30 for morning session and 2.15 for afternoon session)

23rd March - FS2 (Reception) Mother's Day tea in the school hall at 2.00pm

24th March - Red Nose Day - Your child can wear red if they pay £1.00

29th March LKS2 (Years 3 & 4) Production - to families at 10.45 and to adults only at 2.00pm

31st March - Whole school tag day

3rd May - Class photographs

Easter Term 2017

Tuesday 21st February – Friday 31st March

Spring Term 2017

Tuesday 18th April – Friday 26th May
Bank holiday Monday 1st May

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 6th June – Tuesday 25th July

Last week's top three highest attendance was achieved by the following classes:

3/4M - 97.8%

FS2H - 98.1%

6S - 99.3%

News

Staff news

Mrs Hinchlewood is leaving us to go onto a new job where she will be able to put her hard-earned studying to good use. We wish her lots of luck in her new position in a pupil referral unit in Kent.

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Johnson will move to Foundation Stage 2 from Nursery to replace Mrs Hinchlewood as the teaching assistant in Birch class.

We are currently advertising for a Nursery Officer to replace Mrs Johnson so do have a look on the website if you think you might be interested or know someone who might be.

Year 2 - Mrs Cobley will be seconded to our sister school, Byron from next week to cover a maternity leave in Foundation Stage over there. The class will be taught by the Key Stage One team until after Easter when we have appointed Mrs Millward to take over for the Summer term.

Mother's Day market

We are selling small gifts over lunch time on Wednesday 22nd March for children in Years 1-6 - maximum spend is £2.00.

Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help out at lunch times and Friday clubs when we are short staffed. If you are interested, please speak to someone in the school office. This would be to make a list of people that we could call in an emergency.

Year 3 and 4 Production

Our production is on 29th March and will be shown to the school at 09.20, to families at 10.45 and to adults only at 14.00. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible. Thank you for your support.



Rights Respecting Schools

As a Rights Respecting School, every week we remind ourselves of an article from the Convention of the Rights of the Child:

Article 23

You have the right to special education and care if you have a disability, as well as all the rights in this convention, so that you can have a full life.

Reminders

Office Times

The school office is open from 08.30 - 16.30. If you need to speak to a member of the administration team, please come between those times. Thank you.

School Meals

Meals are cooked on the premises at a cost of £2.00 per day, £1.50 for nursery children. There are three choices which include a vegetarian and a cold option. Payments are preferably made on a Monday for a day, week or term in advance. We accept cash and cheques which must be made payable to Brompton-Westbrook Primary School. We also encourage BACS payments (Natwest sort code 60-08-37, account number 65224485, The Westbrook Trust T/A Brompton Westbrook Primary School) We have a **one-day credit policy to which we will STRICTLY adhere**. This means that the catering manager will not provide a meal for your child if you owe for the previous day. Refunds will be made termly.

Jewellery and make up

In the interest of health and safety, only small stud earrings and wrist watches may be worn. Under no circumstances may any jewellery be worn for physical education. Please consider this if your child wishes to get their ears pierced. The best time to get this done is at the start of the long summer holiday. Please remove all jewellery on PE days or ensure your child is capable of removing and looking after it themselves. Jewellery worn to school is the responsibility of the child and teachers cannot waste teaching time looking for lost items. Make-up and nail varnish may not be worn.

Pat on the Back

FS2B - Scarlett for working hard to draw a daffodil.

Danny for his knowledge about Spring

FS2H - Grace and Ruby for observational drawing

FS2L - Crystal for responding to questions. Ella for trying hard in maths

1B - Emily for being a great role model during our Spring Watch walk. Joshua for designing a beautifully detailed silhouette picture for our planter

1C - Scarlett for working hard at counting back in ones. James for working hard at reading new, challenging words

2C - Isabelle for working hard to use arrays to help solve multiplication calculations. Summer for editing her own written work independently

2R - Oliver for working hard to improve his handwriting. Alex for using multiplication skills to problem solve

Brompton Sunshines and Sure Start Children's Centre

Medway Chat 'n Play

Medway Home Start are holding an Army family focus group at Brompton Children's Centre on Thursday 23rd March between 2.00 and 3.00pm. All army families including children of any ages are welcome.

Come and tell us what we don't know so we can support you!

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, achieving equal opportunities and combating discrimination.

Head Teacher: Mrs Sue Mason

Assistant Heads : Mrs Price (4-7 year olds) and Mr Allen (7-11 year olds)

Family Liaison Officer (for families with children aged 5-11) Mrs Karen Liddle 07535 696125

Community Liaison Officers (for families with children aged 0-5) Mrs Julie Flain 07535 696126 & Mrs Shona Budge 07947 997295