



Newsletter

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Headline

Free School Meals

There have been national changes to the way Free School Meals are offered

Children are entitled to receive free school meals if their parents or guardians receive any of the benefits below:

- Universal Credit, provided they have an annual net earned income not exceeding £7,400 (£616.67 per month)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you don't claim free school meals but think your child may be eligible, even if they never eat school meals, or are in Years R-2, please consider claiming. The school will benefit financially and it also means if you ever wake up and find the bread is stale, you can just book a school meal for your child without having to pay for it!

Most people already claiming free school meals will not be affected because your child will continue to receive free school meals until the end of the Universal Credit rollout period - even if your earnings rise or you stop being entitled to Universal Credit. The

rollout period is currently scheduled to end in March 2022.

Once Universal Credit is fully rolled out, your child will keep their free school meal until the end of their current phase of education, i.e. primary or secondary.

If you need any further information, please visit the free school meal website:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>



Coming Soon

Scholastic Book Fair

30th April - 3rd May

2nd May - class photos

14th - 18th May - Year 6 SATs week

21st - 25th May - Year 2 SATs week

7th May - Bank holiday Monday

18th May - Tag day

Monday 11th June - Year 5 secondary transfer meeting for parents

July 6th - Sports Day

Term Dates 2017/18

Term 5

Monday 16th April 2018
until

Friday 25th May 2018

Term 6

Tuesday 5th June 2018
until

Wednesday 25th July 2018

Attendance:

Last week's top 3 :

FS2W - 98.1%

3/4F - 98.1%

3/4M - 98.1%



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Biodiversity@Brompton

Family Day: Saturday 28th April, 10am-2pm

We are looking for volunteers to help us build a path, assemble some raised beds and create a minibeast hunting zone. Come and enjoy the fresh air and spring sunshine, and help improve the school grounds for wildlife and learning. Children need to be accompanied by an adult and willing to work hard! Please let the school know if you are able to help us – you do not need to attend the whole session. Refreshments provided.

Text Messages

As you know, there have been some changes to our text service. The new system generates a number to send the messages from. This can mean that you are receiving text messages from us which have come from several different numbers. From now on staff will include the school name at the beginning of each message so you are clear that the text is from us, but this may result in more messages being sent as there is a character limit to each text. We are aware that a number of other schools are also not happy with the changes that have been made to this service and we will continue to discuss solutions with the provider and are looking for alternatives. Please bear with us for the time being!

Reminders

Scholastics Book Fair

Monday 30th April to Thursday 3rd May. 3.30pm-4.00pm in the school hall. Buying books helps get books for the school

Nut free

Please remember we are a nut free school. Any food that is sent into school cannot contain nuts or nut oil of any kind. That includes treats sent in for birthdays as well as packed lunches and snacks. Thank you for your assistance.

Money in School

Any money sent into school must be in an envelope marked with your child's name, class and what the money is for. Thank you.

British values

British values are an important part of our education offer. Through our teaching of PSHE and our Rights Respecting Schools work, we promote British values within our curriculum.



British values are:

- democracy.
- the rule of law.

- individual liberty.
- mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith

In The Community

Medway Youth Recorder Consort

If your child is in year 5 or 6 and enjoys playing the recorder, we have some information about a fun group they could join. Please ask for more information at reception or visit www.medwaymusicassociation.co.uk

Bicycles in school

The Big Pedal is the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge that inspires pupils, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school. The campaign will run for 10 days from 23 April to 4 May 2018. You may have noticed we have a few spaces for bicycles to be left at their owner's risk on school grounds. It will be first come first served if your child wants to ride their bicycle to school.

Rainham 84 Soccer School

Rainham 84 FC are looking for players and will be holding an open day on Saturday 21st April between 0900 and 1100am on our school field. For more details, please call 07595163201.

Pat on the Back

3/4A - Daniel for his improved independent work in maths and Emily for quickly settling into 3/4A, being a great role model

3/4F - Matey for his fantastic work when using a timeline to order historical events and Mia for her improvement in numeracy recently

3/4M - Jack B and Misek for their super help with jobs this week

3/4P - Jamal for remembering all the grammar terms in RWI and Riley for sharing ideas with confidence in RWI

5S - Suzannie for winning an art competition in Primary Times and Aaron for working hard on his handwriting

5/6B - Martyna for her RWI writing and David for settling into his new RWI group well

6T -Tyler for producing an excellent poem to finish off our topic on Space and Grace for producing a good piece of creative writing during our 10 minute challenge

Inclusions this week

- None

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

Head Teacher: Mrs Sue Mason

Deputy Heads: Mrs Price (4-7 year olds) and Mr Presneill (7-11 year olds)

Family Liaison Officer: Mrs Liddle (07535 696125)

This school operates a very clear whistleblowing policy for staff