



Head writes

Happy New Year to all at Bannerman Road Community Academy. Although we have only been back a few weeks we have already achieved so much. Year 2 have visited the SS Great Britain and amazed the staff with their Brunel knowledge, Year 4 have been cooking up a feast with Travelling Kitchen, Year 1 have met the fire service and fired a hose across the school field, Year 6 have been wowed by a mobile planetarium and we have had an excellent class assembly from Mango in Year 3. I must praise the whole community for such a smooth and positive start to 2023, it really is a privilege to lead this wonderful school. Mr Laken.

Young Carers

A young carer is anybody under the age of 18 who provides regular support and care for a family member who is disabled, has a long-term illness, mental health issue or is affected by substance misuse.

There are lots of reasons a child might be a young carer, and not all young carers are needed to fulfil their caring duties all of the time, or live with the person they care for.



It is really important that school are aware of all students with caring responsibilities so that we can provide support in school. If you think your child may be a young carer please see Miss Lennox-Gordon or email sian.lennox-gordon@bannermanroadbristol.org.

Breakfast/Afterschool club

Please make sure you book at least 48 hours in advance so that we can safely staff these wraparound care offers. Thank you.



Dates

31st Jan—Guava Tree class assembly

1st Feb—NEU Strike day

2nd Feb—THURSDAY Pastoral coffee morning

6th Feb—Acacia Tree class assembly

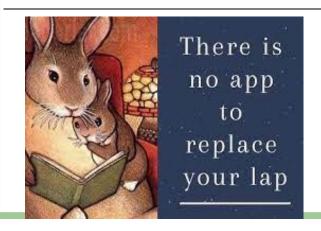
10th Feb—Friday coffee morning on CYBER SAFETY

10th Feb—LAST DAY TERM 2 (full day)



Green Readers

Children at Bannerman Road are asked to read at least 4x per week at home with an adult. We would plead with you to read with your child as this is shown to have the greatest impact on the progress your child makes. We give individual and class rewards for these every week. Let's get reading!



School Attendance

Last week our overall school attendance was 92%. If your child is unwell, you *must* call the school office on 0117 377 2080, every day by 9am, to let us know, leaving your child's name and class.

Polite reminder: All parents and carers have a responsibility to get their children into school on time, by 8:45, each day. If your child arrives late, this will be marked on the register. Arrival after 9:10am will be considered an unauthorised absence and may be subject to a Penalty Notice. Penalty notices are a fine of £60 per child, per adult.

Unfortunately we are unable to authorise holidays during term time. If you take your child away during term time, they will be marked as unauthorized, and you may face a Penalty Notice. If you are planning on going away, you must complete a holiday request form. If your child doesn't attend school and we have not been given a reason, the school are obliged to contact Education Welfare, who will investigate your child's absence.

Homework

From this term, we will be sending optional topic homework at the start of each term. This will be a range of activities that the children can pick from.

There will be no sanction for not doing them, but any work completed will be shared and celebrated.

A reminder that ALL children should completing:

- spellings
- Reading 4x per week
- Multiplication tables



If you are worried about a child or young person who could be in danger, please contact:

First Response on 0117 903 6444 or the NSPCC on 0808 800500 or contact the police directly by dialing 101.



In an emergency always contact the police by dialing 999.

Golden work

Last week we saw fabulous golden work from;

Cherry - Muneer Acer—Akram

Lime - Omar Guava—Wren

Lemon - Farzeen Apple—Emile

Bay - Hamse Yew—Shazil

Mango - Gavriella Acacia - Mohammed

PE Kit/Uniform

Banana Francesca





GUIDANCE

African Olive—Salma

Please stick to this as closely as possible and only send children in PE kit on PE days. See your teacher if unsure.

Family Support

If your child and/or family needs support, please don't hesitate to call us on 01173 772 080 and ask to speak to;

Anna Hicks - Family Support Worker (for housing, immigration queries, benefits, access to foodbanks etc.) anna.hicks@bannermanroadbristol.org

Sian Lennox-Gordon - Pastoral Lead (for support with mental health, behaviour or attendance) sian.lennox-gordon@bannermanroadbristol.org

If you have a concern or would like to arrange a meeting to discuss any of these issues, including bullying or safeguarding please contact us via phone or email.