Head writes

Happy new year! After three weeks it feels as if we have never been away. We have been very impressed how calmly the children have transitioned to their new classes. It has been great to see how everybody has returned in uniform and has been making a real effort to be on time, it is important we start the day promptly to give children the best chance. We have lots of trips, PTFA events, drama performances coming up and clubs have been filled already. Thank you for your continued support, do approach us if you have any comments or queries. Mr. Laken



Dates

21st September—Protected characteristics coffee morning 0900

28th September—Parent pay coffee morning

2nd October—school photos

19th October—SEND coffee morning 0900

20th October—end of Term 1

30th October INSET DAY

6th December—Christmas dinner

12th &13th December—Yr 1 and 2 Nativity 0915

15th December—LAST DAY OF TERM IS A HALF DAY! 1200 finish.

2nd January 2024 INSET



Helping at home

Research has shown that any extra practice you can do at home will give your child the best chance of succeeding. We ask you try to:

- Read 4x per week
- Do spellings daily
- Learn to recall times tables at speed

As well as the more creative wider curriculum homework we send. If you are unsure, please see your class teacher.

Pick up punctuality

Please note, children collected after 1515 will now be put in after-school club and we will add a discretionary charge. We know traffic, delays and emergencies happen but please notify us.

Online safety

If you are unsure about the age limit for apps, games or simply want some advice, this resource is excellent

Teaching Your Child about Internet & Online Safety | NSPCC





School Attendance

Last week our overall school attendance was 90%. 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.

PTFA Events

12.10.23 1700-1900 Autumn Disco



08.12.23 1500-1700



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.

Break/Lunch Equipment

If you have any scooters, bikes, skateboards, dressing up stuff, other large items or even small world toys you no longer require, please make sure they are clean and working then bring to the office!



Coats/Bags

We go out in all weathers at Bannerman Road, as we know the importance of play. Please make sure your children have a coat every day please.



GUIDANCE

Your child should be reading daily. Therefore they need to be taking/bringing their book and reading record in a bag. This is good training for secondary school too!

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.