

Welcome

I hope you all had a relaxing half term and are looking forward to the last half term before the summer. It's been a busy start to the half term; Year 1 had a 'Great Fire of London' workshop run by The Drama Hut, Year 2 visited Odds Farm Park and we hosted **six** local schools' choir for rehearsals for the Junior Music Festival at the Hexagon.

Well done also to all of Year 6 who have been working so hard on their Charity Project this week. The Bake Sale was a great success, and today we have had a 'Dress Silly for Seb' Day which has been brilliant. It's lovely to see all the children (and staff!) join in the fun.

Congratulations also to the Year 5 & 6 children who took part in the Athletics Tournament yesterday at the Leisure Centre. The children who competed in a range of events thoroughly enjoyed themselves and competed really well.

Staff have started to think about class splits for next year and been talking to the children about which friends they would like to be with. We will share this information with the children first on the transition day on 5/6th July.

Please see the information from Friends about the Summer Fair. If you can offer any support in the run-up to the event and/or on the day, please let the committee know.

Michael Dillon - Headteacher



Year 5 & 6 Athletics

What an amazing afternoon at Bracknell Leisure Centre!

The team did extremely well and represented the school fantastically. Running, jumping, or throwing - the children managed to thrive, with many children securing wins or placing in the top 3 (out of 36 schools!).

We are still waiting for the final placement, nevertheless, the children were truly incredible.

Well done!





SATURDAY 1ST JULY 11:00 - 15:00
AT BIRCH HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

RAFFLE - INFLATABLES - FACE PAINTING
FAIRGROUND RIDES - BBQ & BAR - SWEET STALLS
CLASS PERFORMANCES - PLUS MUCH MORE!

€1 ENTRY PER ADULT - KIDS UNDER 12 FREE

**STALL HOLDERS WANTED - IF YOU ARE INTERESTED,
PLEASE EMAIL FRIENDSBIRCHHILL@GMAIL.COM**



FRIENDS OF BIRCH HILL NEED YOU!

What is Friends of Birch Hill?

This is the parent/teacher association (often known as PTA) for the school. The group raises money to enhance provision for the children by organising events like the summer fair, school discos, dress up days, events for parents. Last year the group raised enough money to pay for a new climbing frame for the playground and now fundraising is ongoing to upgrade the school library.

What can you do to help?

There are only a few parents on the group at the moment so Friends really need some new volunteers. If you choose to join the main jobs/tasks are:

- Coming up with fun ideas for future fundraising events which the kids will enjoy
- Attending meetings which are usually held every 2 months
- Reaching out to businesses to get people to attend the school fair & donate raffle prizes
- Attending events to help set up, run a stall, lend a hand, clear up
- Working with the school office to get communication sent out to parents
- Designing flyers and communication to raise awareness of events

The more volunteers we have, the less work for each person and the more fun for the kids!

If you are interested please contact friendsbirchhill@gmail.com. The next Friends meeting is on Wednesday 28th June, 6.00-7.00pm in the school staffroom.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Year 6 Charity 'Fair on the Field'	Monday 12th June @ 1.30 for children & 3pm for parents
Year 1 Phonic Screening	Monday 12th June - Friday 16th June
Year 5 & 6 Parent Workshop	Tuesday 13th June - 9am-11am
Friends Dress Down Day	Friday 16th June
Sports Day	Wednesday 21st June - KS2—9.30am, Rec & KS1—1.30pm
Year 5 Triathlon Event	Thursday 22nd June
Oakwood 2024 Meeting for Year 3 Parents	Thursday 22nd June @ 5pm
New Reception Parent Information Evening	Thursday 22nd June @ 6pm
Reception Vision, Hearing, Weight & Height Check	Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th June
Junior Music Festival (for the choir)	Tuesday 27th June
Year 4 Oakwood Residential	Wednesday 28th June– Friday 30th June
Friends Summer Fair	Saturday 1st July
Reserve Sports Day	Wednesday 5th July
Class Transition Days	Wednesday 5th July (AM) & Thursday 6th July (PM)
Annual Reports being sent home to parents	Monday 10th- Friday 14th July
Y3 Wilde Week Event	Wednesday 12th July
End of Term 'Open Door' Parent Evening	Monday 17th July - 3.30pm-5pm
Year 6 Leavers' Festival	Wednesday 19th July @ 6pm for 6.30pm.
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 21st July (time TBC)