



# Bryony School Newsletter

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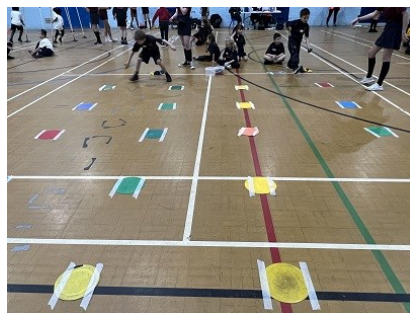
### HSSP - Multi Skills

On Thursday we took a team of children from year 3 and 4 to the Howard School Sports Partnership 'Physical Me' Multi Skills Festival. We had an amazing afternoon of throwing beanbags onto a dartboard, bouncing, rolling balls to certain parts of the wall to get points, passing the ball around themselves, running, throwing beanbags up with claps in between then catching them.



The skill stations were designed to help the children to improve and progress their physical skills (Agility, Balance and Co-ordinator) and hopefully give them some self-confidence and an experience to remember as a team. On each activity the children could get bronze, silver and gold. We got lots of bronze, silver and a few gold medals.

Overall, when all the points were added up everyone got a silver! Well done everyone because you all tried so hard and were a credit to the school.



Congratulations to **Nancy** and **David** who were chosen for the Endeavour Award in our team.

**Mrs Foot**



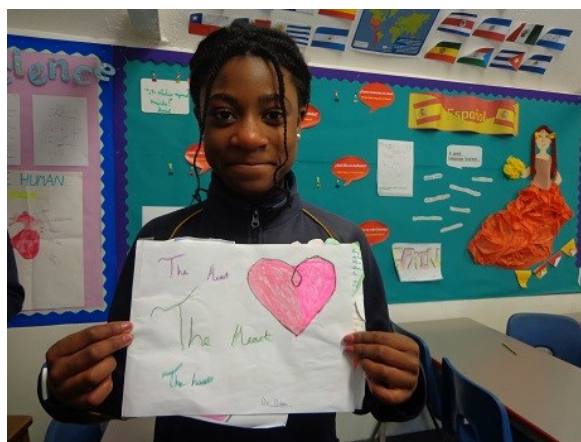
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## Science Projects

Year 6 went away over the holidays and researched the circulatory system ready for a new term in Science.

Look at our amazing homework projects!

### Miss Jug



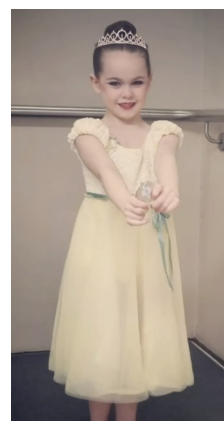
## Dance Festival Success

**Magdalena (Maggie)** took part in the North Kent Dance Festival last weekend. She had an amazing day with all her hard work paying off.

Maggie came 1st in Song and Dance and ended up winning the Junior Song and Dance Trophy for the highest score in the festival. She also came 2nd in Character Solo. She also competes in a Quartet with also won 1st place and won the Quartet and Trio trophy for all ages.

### Amazing work!

Well done we are really proud of you



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## Reminders

### World Book Day

Please look at the separate ParentMail sent last term regarding World Book Day and the various activities we have planned to make the lead up to, and the day, a great success.

Please remember the sponsored read event taking place between the **25th February and 3rd March.**

*"If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books."* **Roald Dahl**

### Absence

If your child is absent from school please report this using ParentMail by 8.45 a.m., if possible. For absence other than illness or appointments please complete the absence request form available from the school office. [office@bryonyschool.org.uk](mailto:office@bryonyschool.org.uk)

### Lost Property

Please **label** all your child's uniform and property. It makes it easier to return lost items. Please show your children where their clothing is named so they don't get muddled up with other peoples belongings

Friends of Bryony School is registered with Mynametags so should you make an order, please help FoBS by entering the school ID '1559' when you checkout.

<https://www.mynametags.com/affiliate?id=1559>

### Uniform

Uniform is available at **Schooltime**  
23 Railway Street, Chatham ME4 4HU.  
01634 831684 or order online at:  
<https://schooltime.co.uk>

### Morning and After School Care

If you require morning or after school care please complete the ParentMail form, in advance.

## Junior Clubs from w/c 20th February 2023

Day of the Week	Lunchtime/ After School	Type of Club	How to Sign Up	Teacher
Monday	Lunchtime	Library	See Mrs Foot	Mrs Foot
Tuesday	Lunchtime	Japanese Club	See Mrs Atkins	Mrs Atkins
Tuesday	After School	Netball Years 3-6	Via ParentMail invitation	Mrs Atkins
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Homework	See Mrs Foot	Mrs Foot
Wednesday	Lunchtime	Art and Mindfulness	Ongoing	Mrs Kilbourne
Thursday	Lunchtime	Construction	See Mrs Foot	Mrs Foot
Thursday	After School	Tag Rugby	Via ParentMail invitation	Mr Johnson
Friday	Lunchtime	Choir	Via ParentMail	Mrs Foot

## Online Safety

This week's #wakeUpWednesday poster focuses on 'What you need to know about Spotify'

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeUpWednesday>

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SPOTIFY**

Spotify is a digital music, podcast and video service which gives users access to millions of songs and other content from creators all over the world. Since launching in 2008, Spotify has revolutionised the way music is listened to. It now offers the ability to manage and share more than 100 million tracks and five million podcast series, plus personalised recommendations, new release updates and the option to create collaborative playlists. As of February 2023, it is the world's most popular audio streaming subscription service with 485 million users globally.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**EXPLICIT LYRICS**  
As per Spotify's terms and conditions, people need to be at least 18 to use it. The platform doesn't restrict users from listening to explicit content, but young teenagers could still be exposed to explicit lyrics. Spotify has introduced a parental advisory filter to help parents control what their children can listen to. This filter can be turned on in the app settings to prevent explicit lyrics, violence, discriminatory language and swearing.

**PARENTAL ADVISORY EXPLICIT CONTENT**

**AGE-INAPPROPRIATE PODCASTS**  
Spotify's podcast community has grown exponentially and its become a popular base for millions of users to listen to. However, it includes some material which isn't suitable for minors, including advice, interviews and more - with content covering an array of topics. This includes some material which isn't suitable for minors, including advice, interviews and more - with content covering an array of topics. This includes some material which isn't suitable for minors, including advice, interviews and more - with content covering an array of topics.

**ACCESS TO SPOTIFY LIVE**  
If your child has a Spotify account, they'll also be able to access their Spotify Live. While it's a separate streaming service, Spotify Live allows people to listen to live discussions on the main Spotify platform and, more recently, users can enter virtual rooms to chat with other users, opening up direct conversations with strangers and individuals who might not necessarily be there for the right reasons.

**GROOMING TACTICS**  
Although Spotify doesn't come with dedicated chat functionality, comments were added in January 2022 after reports of an 11-year-old girl being harassed on the platform. The new feature allows parents to control what their children can listen to by using parental controls to restrict what they can listen to. This feature can be turned on in the app settings to prevent explicit lyrics, violence, discriminatory language and swearing.

**OVERSHARING**  
Spotify provides a perfect way to play music, with the ability to connect to other devices, such as a Bluetooth speaker or on your phone. While this is a useful feature, it's also easy to forget your location history. Spotify tracks your location history and it's available to users with a Spotify premium family subscription - meaning that parents can view and manage the content their child listens to.

**SWAP TO SPOTIFY KIDS**  
If you're concerned about what your child might hear while streaming music, Spotify Kids is a separate, ad-free service specifically designed for children aged 12 and under. It allows younger users to enjoy human-curated, child-friendly content (such as music and podcasts) and is available to users with a Spotify premium family subscription - meaning that parents can view and manage the content their child listens to.

**TALK ABOUT THE RISKS**  
As with any platform, it's good practice to talk to your child about what they should be aware of when using Spotify. For instance, it's important they're aware never to share any personal information with strangers and what they should do if they're exposed to inappropriate content. Encourage them to think critically about what they see and hear so they feel comfortable raising any concerns with you.

**KEEP AN EYE OUT**  
If you're concerned that your child is spending too much time on Spotify or you've noticed they're being particularly secretive about how they're using it, encourage them to talk about what they're listening to, it's always prudent to show an interest in their online habits from the outset - so you're confident they're using apps and services in the right way, for the right reasons, and they're not being drawn into anything they shouldn't be.

**18 CENSORED**

**Meet Our Expert**  
Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of techradar, she has worked for various other leading technology journals, editor and consultant.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

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## Diary Dates

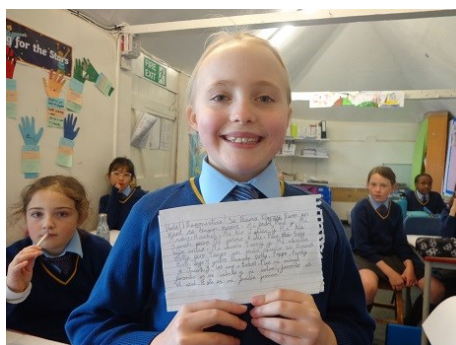
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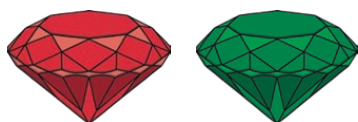
- Thursday 2nd** - Parents' Evening - 4K, 5W and 6J at Meresborough Road
- Thursday 2nd** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park - First Session
- Friday 3rd** - World Book Day - See separate ParentMail
- Thursday 9th** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park
- Friday 10th - Sunday 19th** - Science Week
- Monday 13th** - Parents' Evening - Year 1 - Marshall Road
- Tuesday 14th** - Parents' Evening - Preschool, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 - Marshall Road
- Tuesday 14th** - School Choir - MMA March Festival at The Central Theatre Chatham.
- Thursday 16th** Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park -
- Friday 17th** - FoBS Mothers' Day Shop
- Friday 17th** - Red Nose Day Comic Relief
- Thursday 23rd** - KS1 - HSSP Multi Skills Festival Hundred of Hoo Academy
- Thursday 23rd** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park
- Thursday 30th** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park
- Thursday 30th** - MYG Tag Rugby Tournament, Anchorians
- Friday 31st** - Spring Term Ends

## Spanish Holiday

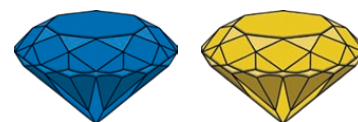
Amazing work from Darcy over the holidays! She has applied her knowledge of animals and family members to write a whole paragraph about herself in Spanish. Muy bien!!

## Miss Jug





## House Points Term 3 & 4



### Weekly House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	<b>Ruby</b>	321
2nd	<b>Sapphire</b>	303
3rd	<b>Zircon</b>	279
4th	<b>Emerald</b>	218

Week 6 and **Ruby** are top for the week. **Zircon** are holding on to the top place for the term with **Sapphire** hot on their tails!  
Keep earning your points and make sure they get counted.  
Well done everyone!

### Running House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	<b>Zircon</b>	1861
2nd	<b>Sapphire</b>	1837
3rd	<b>Emerald</b>	1739
4th	<b>Ruby</b>	1730

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**Congratulations and best wishes to:-**

**Lyla & Bibiana**

**who celebrate their birthdays this week !**



Practicing your spellings will always help you when you have your Spelling tests...

**Year 1 :** 1st - **Obarinsola**  
2nd - **Milan**  
3rd - **Roman**

**Year 2 :** 1st - **Evelyn**  
2nd - **Magdalena**  
3rd - **Jayden**

**Year 3 :** 1st - **Amira**  
2nd - **Charlotte**  
3rd - **David**

**Year 4 :** 1st - **Olivia**  
2nd - **Kesi**

**Year 5 :** 1st - **Shaarav**  
2nd - **Brendan**  
3rd - **inara**

**Year 6 :** 1st - **Ayo**  
2nd - **Bridget**  
3rd - **Josh**

Well done to everyone who logged in this week. Almost a full house. Keep practising your spellings.



Don't forget to sign in to MathShed for a place in the top 3!

**Year 1 :** 1st - **Milan**  
2nd - **Obarinsola**  
3rd - **Roman**

**Year 2 :** 1st - **Evelyn**  
2nd - **Jayden**

**Year 3 :** 1st - **Amira**  
2nd - **Lyla**  
3rd - **David**

**Year 5 :** 1st - **Shaarav**  
2nd - **Jedidiah**

**Year 6 :** 1st - **Ayo**  
2nd - **Josh**  
3rd - **Gracie**

Well done to those who were able to log in to **MathShed** this week. Great work everyone and keep practising !