



# Bryony School Newsletter

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### KS1 - Art

This term KS1 have been getting messy with papier mâché! The children are making globes to link with their previous topic 'What a Wonderful World' as well as their current topic 'Explorers'.

*"I liked sticking all the paper on the balloon!" - Sienna*

*"I liked getting messy!" - Meera*



We are looking forward to completing and painting our globes over the next couple of weeks!

**Mrs Dyne and Mrs Saroya**

### Afternoon Tea

Friends of Bryony School are holding a Mother's Day Tea with your child at the infant site next week. Mums (or Nans/Aunts in Mums place if you are not able to attend) of the children from Preschool to year 2 are invited. Please see the separate ParentMail form for more details.



### Gymnastics

**Ollie** from Year 1 was very excited to tell us about his gymnastic award he received. He said he was awarded the certificate for great balancing on the beam! Well done **Ollie** this is fantastic



### Football

**Austin** from Year 2 received 'Man of the Match' at his football game last weekend.

This is great news **Austin**, Well done!

### Trampolining

**Atilla** from Year 6 has achieved 'gold' at the DMT, South East Gymnastics Regional Competition.

Wow! **Atilla** this is amazing and good luck in your future competitions!



### Mother's Day Shop

Friends of Bryony School will be holding a Mother's Day present shop in school on Friday 17th March.

Gifts are priced at **£5**.

Please see the ParentMail sent today for more details.



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## Online Safety

This week's #wakeUpWednesday poster focuses on 'What parents & Carers need to know about I pads!'

National Online Safety produce these guides every Wednesday and post them on their social media sites.

The guides contain information to help keep children safe online and to give parents and carers advice from industry professionals covering topics such as Spotify, Games, Messaging Apps, Social Media and Tictoc. #onlinesafety

For more information on these guides please follow the link:-

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/faqs/wakeupwednesday>

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

Apple debuted the first iPad in 2010, kickstarting the tablet market, and it remains the best-selling tablet to this day. Although Apple doesn't offer a child-specific version, iPads are hugely popular with youngsters due to their ease of use and endless choice of apps. There's a selection of models, with different-sized screens and distinct features - including the standard iPad, the iPad Air, the iPad Pro, and the iPad mini. Thankfully, they all offer parental controls so you can regulate how your child uses the device... and how long they spend on it.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

**PHYSICAL DAMAGE**  
While some tablets (such as the Amazon Fire Kids edition) come with rugged shock-proof cases, iPads aren't built for rough-and-tumble. They're also more expensive than most of the tablets, and any damage your child does could be costly to repair. Buying a case is a sensible idea, and a screen protector for the device could be a wise move, especially if it's being used by younger ones.

**SCREEN ADDICTION**  
Like most digital devices, tablets have the potential to become quite addictive. You might find your child spending too long sitting on their iPad, which could lead to irritability, mood swings and a loss of interest in more important tasks. It's more important than you realise, so be sure to visit the built-in Screen Time settings to see how you limit how long they're able to spend on the device each day.

**INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**  
Even if it would never occur to you, your child could be exposed to age-inappropriate while apps or advertisements. There's always a possibility that something unexpected - perhaps a video that auto-plays on a sign-in screen, or a game that auto-downloads - could appear. You can help prevent this by using the content restrictions in the Settings app (see our 'top tips' section below).

**SIRI SUGGESTIONS**  
The parental controls built into iOS (the fundamental operating system of Apple devices) remove you to block content - but your child could potentially still bypass these restrictions (either accidentally or deliberately) by using Siri. Apple's voice-activated digital assistant is able to do things like suggest functions to 'urf' in the iPad's settings menu.

**Advice for Parents & Carers**

**ENABLE FAMILY SHARING**  
Before setting up their own iPad on an iPad, it's a good idea to set up Family Sharing. As the parent, you'll be able to manage exactly how your child is able to use the device. You can do this easily by going into the iPad's settings, once there, you'll be able to set up existing Apple accounts (if your child already has one) or set one up from scratch.

**APPLY SOME LIMITS**  
The 'Screen Time' function allows you to tell the iPad to lock itself at certain periods (at mealtimes or before bed, for instance), while 'App Limits' removes access to certain apps once they've been used for a specified length of time each day. The iPad can display a reminder when these limits have nearly been reached, setting your child to prepare for the end of their gaming or viewing time.

**STOP ACCIDENTAL SPENDING**  
To empower your child with an increased sense of freedom on their device (without giving yourself something else to worry about in the process) you could enable the 'iCloud' 'Ask to Buy' feature. Whenever your child tries to download or buy an app, game or product, the iPad sends you a request to approve (or deny) it. This option can become available if you've set up Family Sharing.

**SET CONTENT AND PRIVACY RESTRICTIONS**  
The parental controls can stop the iPad from displaying explicit or age-inappropriate content (in apps like iTunes and Safari, for instance) when your child is logged in. You'll also be able to restrict the capacity to download and install apps, and you can specify permissions which prevent children from changing the iPad's privacy settings once you've selected them.

**TRACK IT DOWN**  
Just like the iPhones, Apple's iPads have 'Find My' software to help you locate your child's iPad - or indeed, any limited Apple devices that have gone AWOL, including phones, watches and AirPods. If you enable 'Find My' in the settings menu, it will display the last known location of an iPad that's been missing, as well as giving you the option to lock a missing iPad that you suspect has been stolen.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Carly Pugh is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of over 10 years in the industry. She's the author of several books on tech, and has been featured in a number of national news outlets. She's also a frequent speaker at tech events.

**NOS National Online Safety #WakeUpWednesday**

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## Junior Clubs

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

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## Reminders

### World Book Day

Please remember to bring in all your Sponsor forms and money that you have raised for World Book day.

So far we have received **£278** from the juniors and **£374** from the infants....

**Thank you** to all the children who took part in the sponsored read and to Mrs Ware for organising the whole event. This will go towards new books that the children at school can read for pleasure.



### 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

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

Donations of any unwanted uniform would be gratefully received by Friends of Bryony School (FoBs) for the nearly new uniform shop.

### Morning and After School Care

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

## Diary Dates

### March

**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.

**Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th** - Infants Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

**Thursday 16th** Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park

**Friday 17th** - FoBS Mothers' Day Shop

**Friday 17th** - Red Nose Day Comic Relief

**Tuesday 21st** - Bee Netball at Rainham School for Girls

**Thursday 23rd** - KS1 - HSSP Multi Skills Festival Hundred of Hoo Academy

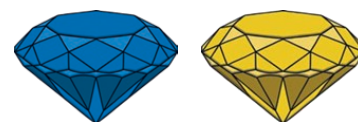
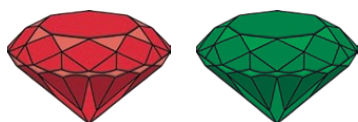
**Thursday 23rd** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park

**Tuesday 28th** - Bee Netball at Rainham School for Girls

**Thursday 30th** - Year 4 Swimming, Medway Park

**Thursday 30th** - MYG Tag Rugby Tournament, Anchorians

**Friday 31st** - Spring Term Ends



### Weekly House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	<b>Ruby</b>	242
2nd	<b>Sapphire</b>	230
3rd	<b>Zircon</b>	216
4th	<b>Emerald</b>	175

Week 8 and **Ruby** are top for the week again! **Sapphire** have taken the lead from **Zircon** and are now top for the term so far!

It's a close battle and could all still change!

Keep earning your points and make sure they get counted.

### Running House Point Scores.

<u>Place</u>	<u>House Team</u>	<u>Total Points</u>
1st	<b>Sapphire</b>	2356
2nd	<b>Zircon</b>	2347
3rd	<b>Ruby</b>	2271
4th	<b>Emerald</b>	2148

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



**Congratulations and best wishes to:-**

**Oscar, Jude & Amrita**

**who celebrate their birthdays this week !**



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

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

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

**Year 3 :** 1st - **Lyla**  
2nd - **Amelia**  
3rd - **Charlotte**

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

**Year 5 :** 1st - **Shaarav**  
2nd - **Jedidiah**  
3rd - **Angela**

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

Well done to everyone who logged in this week. Let's aim for a full house next week. Keep practising your spellings.



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

**Year 1 :** 1st - **Milan**  
2nd - **Roman**

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

**Year 3 :** 1st - **Lyla**  
2nd - **Avery**  
3rd - **Amelia**

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

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

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

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