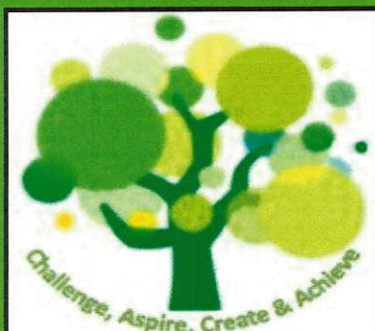


Brimrod Primary School Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2020




This Week's winners:

Attendance: **Nursery**

Punctuality: **Year 6**

Good to be Green: **Year 1**

Sports class of the week:
Reception

	Attendance	Punctuality
	No. of sessions missed	No. of late marks
Nursery	6	4
Reception	10	2
Year 1	20	6
Year 2	27	2
Year 3	9	13
Year 4	12	4
Year 5	23	2
Year 6	24	0
	Attendance Stars Year Nursery	Punctuality Stars Year 6

Lateness is starting to creep up again. Please make sure that if your child starts at 8.45 they are at the gates at 8.45 ready to be let in. If your child starts at 9.00 then they should be ready at the gate for 9.00. A few minutes grace will be given to the few families who have children starting at the same time at different gates however after this your child will receive a late mark. Please support us with this. Thank you

Uniform

Please can all parents/carers please ensure that you child is coming to school in the correct school uniform. I have noticed as the weather has changed that some girls are coming to school in tights and leggings under their skirt. This is absolutely fine as long as they are plain black or grey. Also ensure that you child is dressed for the weather. Coats, are needed every day and soon, gloves, scarves and hats will be needed.

Coming soon!!!!

Spelling Shed



In response to the many requests from parents to be able to help their children with spelling at home, we have invested in an online homework programme for spelling called "Spelling Shed". This will run alongside the other online homework that all children have for maths and reading. You will be provided with logins and passwords shortly!

News and Notices

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Homework

Homework is an important part of learning and allows children to consolidate what they have been learning at school. Here at Brimrod we have invested in a number of online programmes for your children to use online to do their homework. All work is set for each individual child to ensure that it is the right level and it is important that they get into the routine of doing it. Password reminders are being sent home again by teachers so please can I ask that you take a copy of them or take a picture of them on your phone so that you have them to hand.



WOW—Park and Stride



Please remember that even if you are not local and usually come to school in a car, your child can still earn badges if you park and stride. This means parking further away than you normally would and walking the rest of the way. It would be great if everyone could get a little healthier and do their bit for the environment. You can do it!!

Part of our Gaming & Gambling Series

What you need to know about... GAMES CONSOLES

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What are they?

'Games Consoles'

Much like a television allows you to watch movies or a radio allows you to listen to music, a games console allows you to play video games. The most modern ones are names you might be familiar with – Sony PlayStation, Microsoft Xbox, and Nintendo Switch – and almost all of them can now connect to the internet and be enjoyed online with friends.

Know the Risks

- Online Content**
While modern consoles don't strictly need to be connected to the internet, many of them video enable up an internet browser or provide the ability to stream TV shows and movies, so it's important that the appropriate filters and parental controls are in place to restrict children viewing any unsuitable content.
- Addictive nature**
Games consoles require video games, and both can ultimately contribute towards or create the habit. Playing too much and too often can force children to become reliant on the good feelings released when playing games, making them more likely to want to play them more frequently and for longer periods of time.
- Hacking risk**
It's almost impossible to avoid signing up to different services when using modern consoles. Simply most of all these services can be confusing and in a worst-case scenario, thieves could gain access to personal information, addresses and bank details by hacking online profiles.
- Online Chat**
Once connected to the internet, players can talk to each other either over the internet using text chat functions on the consoles. Without the proper protections in place, children could speak to anybody of any age and that is something to be aware of as well as ensuring they can report things about.

Safety Tips

- Check contacts**
Online predators and hackers often use tactics to build relationships with children get them to illicit personal details through gaming platforms or gaming communities. Be on the lookout for suspect communications such as intrusive personal messages or people you suspect might not be who they say they are.
- Look for behaviour changes**
Becoming withdrawn, irritable and anxious when not playing on a games console are trademarks symptoms of gaming addiction. If children turn angry when asked to stop playing, that could also be a sign that an intervention is needed.
- Keep details private**
Games consoles will almost exclusively ask you to enter your details securely on the console itself, or through a trusted website tied to the console make. If somebody claiming to be working for Sony, Microsoft or Nintendo asks you to share your passwords or account details, do not give it to them.
- Use parental controls**
Most gaming consoles will have parental controls which can be used to set up things like family management accounts. From here, parents can often set age limits on games and content, spending restrictions, limit play time and set up passwords and authentications to help keep children safe.

ONLINE SAFETY

All the information that you need can be found on the school website. **Please check the school website** for the latest updates, letters and policies.