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Dear Parents/Carers,

Class Photos

Earlier this week, you should have received a ParentMail message from Mrs Starling letting you know that, next Friday, Braiswick Photography will be coming into school to take whole class photos. Please can I ask that children are in full school uniform.

Staffing News

At the end of this term, we will be saying farewell to Miss Briggs who has been with us for the past year training to be a teacher. She has been based primarily in 4JH and she has been a great addition to the school and I'm sure I speak for everyone in wishing her well in her new job at Seabrook Primary School.

We also welcome back Mrs M Smith who has been on leave for the past year. She times her return to Bridge School very well as Miss S Smith will be starting her maternity leave in September!

Whilst on the subject of babies, I'm also pleased to inform you that Mr Perfect's wife is expecting and it is very likely that his paternity leave will coincide with the first two weeks of the term in September. Fortunately, we have managed to secure the services of Mrs Evans again for this time.

New Classes

This afternoon, the children were told which class they would be in next year. The new classes are as follows:

New RAM	Miss Maw Mrs Shirley	New REC	Miss Cowley Mrs Swinnerton
REC -> 1CS	Mrs Cork/Mrs M Smith Miss Harvey/Mr Harvey	RAM -> 1LA	Miss Andrews Mrs Hayter
Mix -> 2GD	Mrs Dennett Mrs Smith/Mrs Upton	Mix -> 2FP	Mrs Franks/Mrs Perfect Mrs Munday/Mrs Huggett
2FP -> 3MB	Mr Beard Mrs Holdaway	2GD -> 3SA	Mrs Amelia Mrs Hughes/Miss Owen
3SA -> 4ST	Mrs Saint/Mrs Tomsett Mrs Moon	3HA -> 4JH	Mr Harris Mrs Corral
4JH -> 5JS	Miss Smith Mrs Andrews/Mrs Langsdon	4ST -> 5HA	Miss Allison Mrs Saunders/Mrs McInnes
5JS -> 6JP	Mr Perfect Mrs Brooks/Mrs Crozier	5JP -> 6AT	Mrs Allen/Mr Taylor Mrs Sopp

Parents of children in Year 1 will soon be receiving a ParentMail to let them know which class their child will be in next year.



Children will meet and be spending the day with their 'new' class teacher' on Thursday 1st July.

Enhanced Curriculum Support

Mrs C Smith will continue to work across the school 3 days a week teaching Art and DT. Mr Miles and Mrs Brookes will continue to teach music across the school for the days that they are in.

Stewart Bristow will continue the work of the Sadie Bristow Foundation in the development of tennis across the school.

Additional Support for Vulnerable Children

In order to support those children who may have additional needs, as well as those who have been significantly impacted by the coronavirus outbreak, we are creating a small team to support Mrs Long in ensuring that all children continue to thrive academically and emotionally.

Mrs Pearman will be working primarily in Year R and 1, splitting her time between Forest School and supporting children in the development of their speech and language. Mrs Pearson will be based in Year 4 and you will know that she has a wealth of knowledge and experience in specialist learning interventions (as well as being a brilliant Sports Coach!) Mrs McLean will also be working across the school supporting children with dyslexic tendencies as this is her specialism.

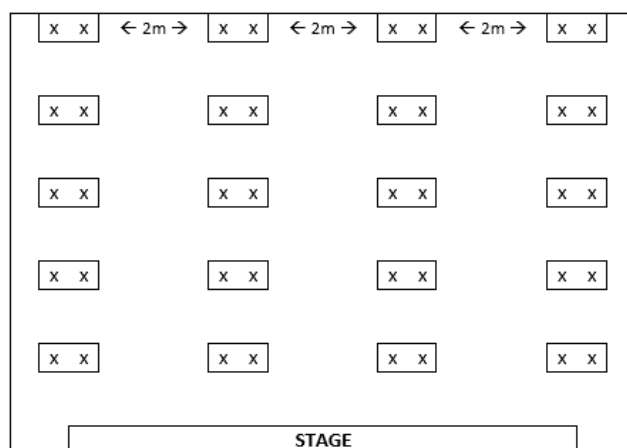
I'm also pleased to welcome Mrs Amy Kirk to our Bridge staff team. As a Speech & Language Therapist, she will be a great addition to our team

Year 1 Showcase and Year 6 Production

Over the next few weeks we have our Year 1 children showcasing their learning (as an alternative to another nativity performance) and the Year 6 children performing the School of Rock. It is very disappointing that current COVID restrictions mean that we are only able to host a very small number of parents but we have to work within the controls that are imposed upon us.

We are fortunate to have a large enough hall to accommodate up to 40 people at a time – not all schools are so lucky.

As I wrote last week, parents will be allocated two tickets for one of the performances and seat will be spaced out to maintain social distancing in line with the current guidance for performances (2m side-to-side and 1m front-to-back).



Prior to attending, we will be asking all parents to take a Lateral Flow Test and not attend if they are displaying any symptoms. It is also a legal requirement that face coverings are worn at all times (unless you are exempt) and sanitising stations will also be available for parents. We will also be keeping records of all attendees for the purposes of Track & Trace.

The forms to request tickets are below.

You will be asked to select which performance(s) you are able to attend and seating will be allocated randomly. The evening performances of the Year 6 production will, understandably, be more popular but, if you can attend the afternoon performances, it would be very helpful. If we do have too many requests for the evening performances then we may need to further limit attendance, which is the last thing we would wish to do.

Year 1 Showcase: <https://forms.office.com/r/p1VhP37Xjh> - Form closes on Friday 2nd July.

Year 6 Production: <https://forms.office.com/r/XDB7u20DKJ> - Form closes on Wednesday 7th July

Summer Holiday Club

On Monday, we sent out a ParentMail to all parents if they wish to book the Bridge Bees Summer Club run by Elena Visan and Charley Windsor. Bookings should be made ASAP as spaces are limited – if we know in enough time, we can usually arrange additional staff. Please also note that parents will not be able to book if they are debt from previous holiday clubs.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Tibbles". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'T'.

James Tibbles
Headteacher

tennisathon 2021 at Bridge Tennis Club

On 18th July 2021 at Bridge Tennis Club will be the last tennisathon to be held; Jake and Stewart taking on a doubles pairing every 30mins over a 24hr period. Plan is to start 8pm Saturday; finishing 8pm Sunday.

During Sunday 18th July between 9-5 there will be:

- Quest interactive challenge around Bridge. Using the same App as Ski for Sadie. An array of on the day challenges
- mini tennis zone
- Wilson racket testing
- wheelie bin challenge
- BBQ
- Cakes and raffle - this year with prizes from Wimbledon; Roland Garros and Australian Open
- allergy info point and workshop
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Sign up for the challenge

- Reply to this email with

1: names of pairing and preferences of time slots. Running every 30mins from 8pm Saturday 17th to 7.30pm Sunday 18th

2: want to play and need a partner. Sign up as above and we will allocate nearer the time

3: T-shirt size as the entry fee includes event t-shirt; info on sizes requires

Participation £30 per person includes foundation event t-shirt; payable on the day

Email info@sadiebristowfoundation.org.uk for more info and to sign up to take part

Be great to make this last tennisathon a cracking event - "don't be afraid to be great"

Kent Test

Is your child currently in Year 5?

Are you wanting them to go to a Grammar School starting in September 2022?

If yes then registration for the Kent Test is open now.

Register at www.kent.gov.uk/ola before the closing date of 1st July 2021

Please remember to include your child's full name and their current school as part of the information you provide.

You must submit your registration to us before 1st July for your child to be able to sit the test in September. The Kent Test covers all Grammar Schools within Kent County Council. If you wish your child to go to a Grammar School in Medway, Bromley, Bexley etc then you need to check with those authorities how you go about registering for that.

Kent Test Dates are as follows:

Children at a Kent Primary = Thursday 9th September 2021 (in their Primary School)

Tests are due to take place in September 2021, and we will continue to monitor whether any adjustments are required to the Kent Test process this year in the light of COVID-19. Please register as usual if you want your child considered for a place at Kent grammar school in September 2022.

For more information regarding the Kent Test please visit www.kent.gov.uk/kenttest

If you have any questions relating to this please email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk

Celebration

Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

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| ☆ Ruben T (RAM) for showing great team work and co-operation to make a fantastic rocket model. <i>Miss Maw</i> | ☆ Joni C (3HA) for her fantastic explanation text of her Teacher Pleaser Machine. <i>Mr Ablett</i> |
| ☆ Kaylon F (RAM) for showing great team work and co-operation to make a fantastic rocket model. <i>Mrs Pearman</i> | ☆ Thomas P (3SA) for his excellent knowledge of plants and team work skills during our science investigation. <i>Mrs Amelia</i> |
| ☆ Jack W (REC) for always trying his best and working out some super tricky maths sums. <i>Miss Cowley</i> | ☆ Mishel B (4ST) often contributes well thought out answers and observations to whole class learning. <i>Mrs Tomsett</i> |
| ☆ Niall B (1CS) for his enthusiasm towards his writing and having a go independently. <i>Miss Smith</i> | ☆ Kiyoshi H (4JH) for working tremendously hard this week and showing compassion to others. <i>Mr Harris</i> |
| ☆ Emily M (1LA) for always being so enthusiastic and helping her friends. <i>Miss Andrews</i> | ☆ Sammy L (5JP) for his enthusiasm towards our science and PE lessons this week. <i>Mr Perfect</i> |
| ☆ Anya T (2FP) for being so generous with her friendship, fun and kindness throughout the whole of Year Two! <i>Mrs Franks</i> | ☆ Theo H (5JP) for |
| ☆ Melena V (2FP) for showing compassion towards her friends when they are hurt or upset. <i>Mrs Perfect</i> | ☆ Finley C (5JS) for good focus and attention and for being kind to his peers. <i>Miss Smith</i> |
| ☆ Talya Y (2GD) for trusting in her own ability in maths this week when solving a range of different problems. <i>Mrs Dennett</i> | ☆ Hari D (5JS) for challenging himself in all aspects of his school work and for being a good team member. <i>Mrs Pearson</i> |
| ☆ Imogen B (2GD) for having an excellent attitude towards her learning and always happy to help others. <i>Mrs J Smith</i> | ☆ Heather E (6NA) for always displaying a mature and focused attitude towards her learning. <i>Mrs Allen</i> |
| | ☆ William S (6MB) for pro being enthusiastic in class all week and for being focused during production rehearsals. <i>Mr Beard</i> |

Charitable Work

I continue to be inspired by the charitable work that the children and families of Bridge take part in. Not just raising money but also raising awareness of the reasons why these charities exist in the first place! One such example is Will in 3HA who, for the past two weeks, has been sleeping on his floor after being inspired by Max's Big Campout to raise funds for Porchlight. If you would like to know more or donate then the link is below.

[Caroline Kennett is fundraising for Catching Lives \(justgiving.com\)](http://www.justgiving.com/Caroline-Kennett)



Upcoming Events

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

CALENDAR >

You are also able to 'subscribe' to the calendar (there is a link underneath the calendar) which means that you can have the school calendar on your phone or tablet and any updates will automatically appear on your device!

Monday 28th June			3pm: Year 5 Music Performance
Tuesday 29th June			
Wednesday 30th June			Parent Session: Supporting children with ASD/ASC
Thursday 1st July	Transition Day: Some Year 6 children to new schools	Moving Up Day: Children in new classes	
Friday 2nd July	Class Photos		

Monday 5th July			3pm: Year 3 Music Performance
Tuesday 6th July	9.30am: Yr R & 1 Sports Afternoon <i>NEW DATE</i>		
Wednesday 7th July	9am: 1LA Showcase 2.45pm: 1CS Showcase	9.30am: Yr 2, 3 & 4 Sports Day <i>NEW DATE</i>	
Thursday 8th July	9am: 1CS Showcase 2.45pm: 1LA Showcase	3pm: Year 6 Music Performance	4pm: Year 5 Parents Zoom Talk (Sept PGL Trip)
Friday 9th July	Year 6 Residential (weekend trip)		

Monday 12th July	Year 6 return from residential (3pm)		
Tuesday 13th July	Year 6 Dress Rehearsals		
Wednesday 14th July		1.30pm: School of Rock (Cast A)	7pm: School of Rock (Cast A)
Thursday 15th July		1.30pm: School of Rock (Cast B)	7pm: School of Rock (Cast B)
Friday 16th July	9.30am: Yr 5 & 6 Sports Day <i>NEW DATE</i>		

School Dinners

Meals should be booked and pre-paid via the ParentMail website or app.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	Macaroni Cheese topped with Fresh Tomato Slice	Chilli con Carne	Roast Chicken Fillet with Gravy	Wholemeal Spaghetti Carbonara	Cod or Salmon Fish Fingers
	Veggie Bean Wrap	Quorn Chilli con Carne	Veggie Toad-in-the-hole with Gravy	Wholemeal Pasta Vegetable Milanaise	Cheese & Tomato Quiche
	Jacket Potato and Beans	Jacket Potato and Tuna	Jacket Potato and Cheese	Jacket Potato and Tuna	Jacket Potato and Beans
	Crispy Bread	Rice	Roast Potatoes		Chips
	Sweetcorn	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Spring Greens	Fresh Broccoli Florets	Baked Beans
	Rainbow Vegetable Sticks	Peas	Baton Carrots	Sweetcorn	Peas
	Apple Flapjack	Ice Cream (Frozen Yogurt for Serveries)	Rice Pudding & Jam	Peach & Apple Goodie with Custard	Biscuit Choice