Branston Bulletin: 10.01.25

This week's events…

The Branstonbury times tables event continues- get logged on o TTRS and play any games to earn minutes!

The School Council will be working with PC Turner on Monday 13th January

Wednesday 15th January- Swimming will start again for relevant pupils

Useful information on our website

Please go to our website: www.branstonjunioracademy.co.uk where you will find lots of useful information.

Under the 'Parents' tab, you will find information about:
➢ Information and events to support families
➢ Mobile phones
➢ Second hand uniform
➢ Holiday / Medical Appointments
➢ Useful 'Letters and Forms'
➢ Your School Lottery

Under the 'Curriculum' tab, you will find lots of useful information about how to help your child with their learning.

This page: https://www.branstonjunioracademy.co.uk/local%20events.asp has information on a whole range of local events.

Diary dates 2024-2025:

➢ **Year 6 Parents Info session on SATS** – Thursday 23rd January 2025, straight after school.
➢ **Bingo! Fundraising event (pupils only)** – Thursday 13th February 2025. 3.30-5pm. *More information will be sent out nearer to the time.*
➢ **End of Spring Term 1** – Friday 14th February 2025
➢ **Start of Spring Term 2** – Monday 24th February 2025

Please do look on our website and scroll down to the 'Forthcoming Dates' section Diary - BranstonJunior (branstonjunioracademy.co.uk) *to find dates of all events.*

Other items to note:

With the weather looking to remain cold- please ensure that children come to school in coats every day next week.

Mr Pyburn's E-Safety tips! – **Managing Devices at Home!**

Dear families and friends, welcome back to school and I wish everyone a happy & healthy 2025. I hope yours was an enjoyable Christmas - I suspect that there may have been new tech waiting under the Christmas tree for some of us. Aside from the abundance of new chargers and cables we have to now accommodate, we also have to be mindful of managing the amount of time our children spend on their new tech. The team at Lincolnshire's **Stay Safe Partnership** have compiled a 'Top Tips' list for managing devices at home:

1. **No tech in bedrooms (or tech with door open)**: keeping technology from behind closed doors reduces the likelihood children will search for inappropriate content.
2. **Watch and learn about apps together**: learn about the apps and games your children are interested in to better understand how it can be used positively, but also to understand the risks and how to manage them.
3. **Periodically check what your children are watching**: YouTube and Netflix will show you what has been recently watched. Social media can be a little more difficult to check but encourage your children to show you themselves through regular conversations.
4. **Discuss together and agree boundaries**: Keep talking about the good and the bad of being online, and explain why rules are necessary sometimes so children understand it's about their safety and not spoiling their fun.

As always, stay safe - and please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions about ways in which we can support your child stay safe online.