



Branston Bulletin

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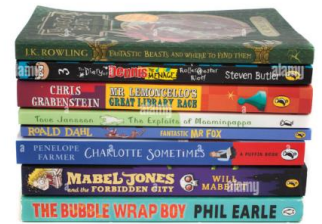
Welcome to the Branston Bulletin!

Our School Week

Wow! Such a busy week in school this week! Our week started with Mr Thornton's assembly all about Shrove Tuesday. He tried to build a 'better pancake' but despite the correct ingredients he couldn't make our pancake because ultimately there was no heat to bring the correct ingredients together. We compared this to our school, we can have all the correct ingredients for a good school but without respect, kindness and care it won't turn out like we want it to! Children will continue to learn about **respect** across the term.

World Book Day

On Thursday we had a fantastic day of activities related to one of the most important skills you learn in life, reading. The ability to read has a major impact on the future opportunities our children experience and on their wellbeing. Therefore, here at BJA we celebrated books for what they are, a pleasure to read and inspiring! The book swap was a great highlight for me seeing the children so enthused about new books.



Class Photographs

On Tuesday all of your children's smiles were caught on camera as they posed with their classmates. Make sure you look out for information on how to purchase these 'moments in time.'

Sports Hall Athletics

A group of Y5/6 children took part in a Sports Hall Athletics competition. From hurdles to triple jump, javelin to relay the children demonstrated not only great sportsmanship and behaviour but also talent as they finished the competition in second. Well done to all the children involved!



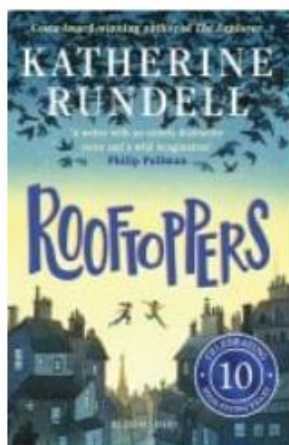
Non uniform and Chocolate Donations

Friday brought us a non-uniform day and a big thank you for all your wonderful chocolate donations towards the Easter raffle. Apparently, my request to store these in my office was turned down!!



Mr Thornton's Book Corner

Here are some book ideas which might perk up your child's interest in reading. When we read with our children, we are not just seeing whether they can read the words, we are giving them confidence to try new words and explore their understanding of what they have read. How about you try this cracking book with your children?!



Everyone tells Sophie that she was orphaned in a shipwreck - found floating in a cello case on the English Channel on her first birthday. But Sophie is convinced her mother also survived. When the Welfare Agency threatens to separate her from her guardian and send her to an orphanage, Sophie takes matters into her own hands, starting with the only clue she has - the address of a cello-maker in Paris.

On the run from the authorities, Sophie finds Matteo and his network of rooftoppers - urchins who walk tightropes and live in the sky. In a race across the rooftops of Paris, will they be able to find her mother before it's too late?

Our Pupil Voice

Layla Y3 – 'This week I really enjoyed Science. We were learning about solids, liquids and gases. We made our own water cycle experiment.'

Oliver Y4 – 'I loved World Book Day especially the live lessons which showed us different types of writing being created.'

Marnie Y5 – 'I enjoyed completing our World book Day activities.'

Jacob Y6 – 'I really enjoyed learning about Spreadsheets and creating formulas to work within them.'

Looks like World Book Day and the activities the teachers planned was a big hit this week!

Safeguarding Reminders

It is the most important part of my role to make sure our children are safe and are cared for. Please can you help us to achieve this by not parking at the top of the main school drive in the mornings from 7.30am or by dropping children off at the main school entrance in the car and not ensuring they are fully in the building before the adult leaves. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

Mr Thornton
Headteacher



Diary dates 2024-2025:

- **Parents Evening** – Thursday 13th March
- **Red Nose Day** – Friday 21st March
- **Year 3/4 Chocolate WOW Day!** - Monday 24th March
- **Year 5/6 Chocolate WOW Day!** - Tuesday 25th March
- **Spring Term 2 ends** – Friday 4th April
- **Summer Term 1 begins** – Tuesday 22nd April

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.



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.

Mr Pyburn's E-Safety 'top tip'

Helping your children recognise online scams

This week's tech tip comes from internetmatters.org and has been produced to help children navigate and protect themselves from harmful online scams. The resources include helpful guidance and resources to both help children avoid falling for online scams, and what to do in the event of falling victim to a scam.

The resources can be found at:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/issues/online-scams/>

<https://tinyurl.com/2r53kzd7>

