



BCJS Weekly Update Friday 20th October 2023

Important News:

Mufti day today for Banstead in gloom raised over £260! A huge thank you to everyone for taking part and your generous donations. It was lovely to see you all looking so bright and colourful today.



PTA spooky disco tonight – We are excited to see everyone looking spooktacular!

PTA Smarties Challenge has been set! We hope you enjoy eating the smarties and raising money for BCJS.



Netball match - The yr 5/6 Banstead girls enjoyed a great afternoon of netball at Sutton High School on Friday, playing 5 matches against Sutton High School and other local junior schools. Captain Isla and Vice-Captain Romily led their team enthusiastically and expertly, securing a solid 3 nil win against Sutton High in their first match. The girls went from strength to strength with 3 other wins and 1 draw...3-1, 7-1, 5-1, and 2 all. So many goals were scored and so many defensive interceptions made! The girls topped their group and were a real credit to BCJS! Congratulations to Isla, Romily, Sienna, Chloe, Rosie, Nila, Erin and Molly.

Parent Consultations – Thank you to everyone that attended, it was lovely to see you all and hope that you found our new Parent Consultations form helpful.



Sir Linkalot Spellings – there has been such a buzz around school this week with so many children feeling proud of the improvement in their spellings. We overheard some Year 4 children telling each other how their scores have improved in the playground – all thanks to Sir Linkalot! Watch out for the next list of words after half term.



History Club - This half term in History club, the children were asked to research their own History Hero and to present their findings. The work has been proudly displayed on a special display board outside of Miss Argent's classroom. They have thoroughly enjoyed this project and are looking forward to finding out what Miss Argent has in store for History Club after the break!

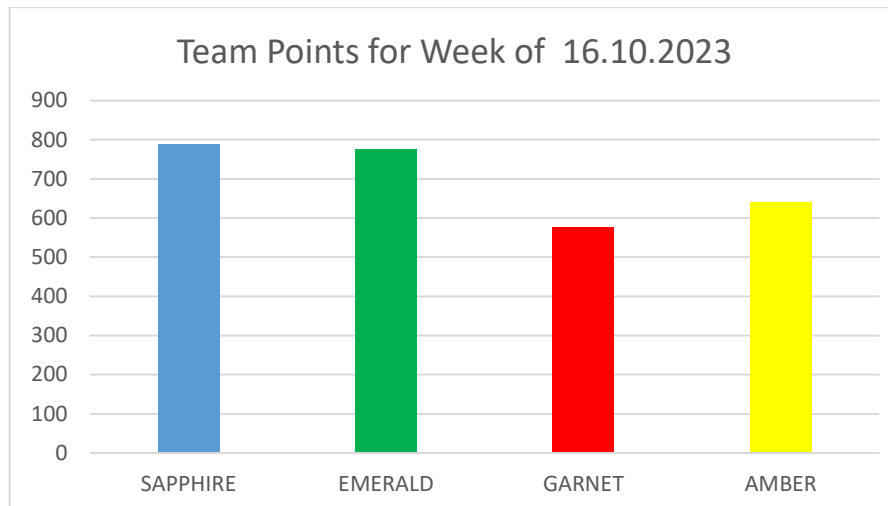
Times Table Rock Stars (TTRS) - This is our first list of the Top 10 most improved players on TTRS. It shows the difference between their first Studio session and their most recent Studio session. A huge well done to these children. We are hoping that lots more children will log on and play so that their name may be up on our Top 10 chart next time!

Name	Year	Rock Status	Initial Studio Speed	Current Studio Speed	Progress (seconds)
Ben G	Year 6	Rock Hero	13.64	0.92	12.72
Darcy G	Year 6	Gigger	20.00	7.59	12.41
Simon T	Year 5	Support Act	16.22	5.88	10.33
Rex H	Year 3	Headliner	11.76	3.61	8.15
Ava L	Year 5	Rock Legend	10.00	1.99	8.01
Riley C	Year 6	Rock Star	10.17	2.83	7.34
Joshua A	Year 3	Wannabe	17.65	10.53	7.12
Erin K	Year 5	Rock Legend	8.57	1.78	6.80
Éireann O'C-L	Year 5	Headliner	10.34	3.57	6.77



Out of school achievement - Well done to for his piano performance at his music school disco. He has only been learning for 6 weeks and played a beautiful piece of music at the performance.

Homework – There will be no homework set over the half term holidays so please enjoy your break 😊



Reminders:



Value of the Month
Resilience



School Fund and Wish List - BCJS set up the School Fund a few years ago to help fund resources for the pupils that we could not otherwise afford. The additional funding we receive critical over the last three years as school budgets have been steadily falling in real terms. Last year we also set up a Wish List, whereby parents could buy a specific item which the school required. Previously you could support the school by donating/purchasing through ParentMail. However, as we move over to School Ping this facility has not yet been finalised. This should be completed by next week when we will inform you of the new process.



Attendance - Just a reminder that if you take your children out of school without authority, you will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices.

Safeguarding - Our designated safeguarding lead is **Mr Scott**. Also on the safeguarding team is **Mrs Shooter, Mrs Danbury, Miss Bowry and Miss Woodman** Children can contact **Childline: 0800 1111**

Wellbeing – Please refer to the wellbeing tab on our school website for any supportive resources for you and your family.

Important Dates:

PTA Smarties Challenge	Over half term
October Half Term	Monday 23 rd – Friday 27 th October
Police visit to Year 6 (role of the police in our community)	Friday 3 rd November
Surrey Fire Service visit to Year 5	Monday 6 th November
Anti-Bullying Week	13 th -17 th November
Children in Need	Friday 17 th November
Book Looks	Oak Class – Monday 20 th Elm Class – Tuesday 21 st Ash Class – Thursday 23 rd Fir Class – Friday 24 th Cedar Class – Monday 27 th Willow Class – Tuesday 28 th All appointments will be 9.05-9.50am (more details to follow)



Book Fair	20 th -24 th November
Parent Forum	Thursday 23 rd November 6-7pm (agenda to come)
School Nurse visit Year 6 (height and weight assessment)	Tuesday 28 th November
Year 3 visit to Christ Church (Narnia Experience)	Friday 1 st December

You can now find term dates and dates for your diary, under the 'Parents' tab on our website:
www.bcjs.org.uk

The best way to contact us if you have any questions, concerns or queries is by email –
office@bcjs.org.uk . We will endeavour to reply to you as soon as we can.

School website: www.bcjs.org.uk

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