

### This term our Big Question is

# "What makes our environment special?"



#### **World Book Day at Bromstone**

To kick-start World Book Day events at Bromstone, a local bookseller, visited Bromstone and delivered an assembly to Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. He also brought along a book for each child at Bromstone! The children were delighted with their free book.



The World Book Day fun continued yesterday where the children dressed up as their favourite book character or came to school in comfy pyjamas with their favourite bedtime story. The children looked fantastic, thank you so much for all of your effort. The children loved having their family members in school joining them for a story first thing; thank you for coming in to school, the children will have a lovely memory of this forever. Later on, in the day, each class buddied up with another class and the children read each other stories.



## Struggling with learning times tables?

Here is some helpful advice from Dyslexia UK:

https://www.dyslexiauk.co.uk/learning-times-tables/

https://www.dyslexiauk.co.uk/learning-times-tables-part-2/





Comic Relief's Red Nose Day is next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

Children are invited to wear something red, or have a red accessory, with their school uniform in exchange for a small donation. In line with Comic Relief's 'Do Something Funny for Money', children may want to bring in a joke to with their class.

#### Other news:

Next week is **science week** in school. The week will start with science workshops on Monday and Tuesday, followed by lots of other fun science work and activities.

We also have the **science fair** after school on Thursday and Friday in the **hall**.



The **book fair** is after school on Monday – Thursday in the **library**.

World Downs Syndrome Day – 21<sup>st</sup> March Wear crazy, odd or fun socks!

World Epilepsy Day – 26th March

Every child will be given a purple wristband (*thank* you to Mrs Kelly for arranging this). Our Head Boy and Girl are taking assemblies to tell the children more.

This week the netball team took part in a netball festival at St George's this week! The players did brilliantly, winning 3 matches, only losing one. Star players were Cassiel, Grace, Holly C and Morghane!



We will soon be using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Parent App

We are excited to announce that we will be moving our management information system to Arbor after the Easter holidays.

Moving to Arbor will allow us to communicate with you more efficiently and bring all core school data and communications into one system. We will be using Arbor for bookings and payments for all school clubs, school dinners and school trips.

We are really looking forward to getting started with Arbor and invite all our parents to familiarise themselves using the link below.

Getting started - Log into the Parent Portal and the Parent App

Arbor also offers access to many training resources which are completely free for you to make the most of! These can all be found <a href="here">here</a>.

We will send further communication on the parental app and how to register towards the end of this term, please look out for this information and register your child when prompted.

We hope you are looking forward to using this new feature as much as we are!

If you have any queries please contact the School Office.



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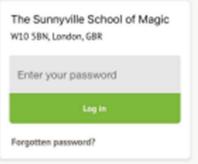
#### We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Parent App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Parent App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

#### How to get started

- 1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready you won't be able to log in before
- 2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
- 3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
- 4. Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
- 5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
- 6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday



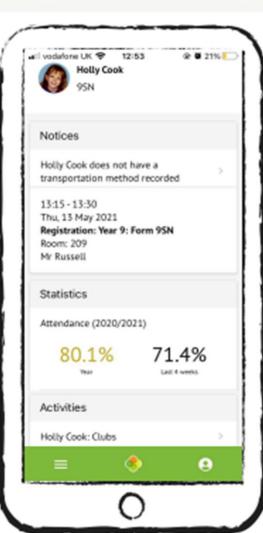
## Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

#### Some tips to try:

- Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor.
   Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
- 2. Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
- If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
- Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
- 5. Enter the birthday of one of your children to log in.
- Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.





# AFTER SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR THURSDAY 14TH MARCH FRIDAY 15TH MARCH

COME AND JOIN US TO CELEBRATE SCIENCE WEEK WITH SOME FUN STEM ACTIVITIES FOR YOU TO SHARE WITH YOUR CHILD(REN).

LOCATION: HALL. (ENTER THROUGH YOUR CHILD'S GATE AND THEN EXIT THROUGH THE PYSONS ROAD GATE.)

TIME: BETWEEN 3.15PM-4.15PM.

PRICE: £1 PER FAMILY. ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO BACK INTO BUYING SCIENCE RESOURCES FOR THE CHILDREN.

CHILDREN ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF THEIR PARENT/GUARDIAN
DURING THE EVENT. NO ADULT, NO ENTRY.

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE EVENING TO ATTEND BUT PLEASE ONLY VISIT ONCE TO ALLOW ALL TO EXPERIENCE THE FUN.

### COMMUNITY CLOTHES BANK

# CLOTHES AND SHOES FOR ADULT & KIDS - POP UP EVENTS 2024

Are you struggling to afford the clothes and shoes that you need?

We're here to support you with free clothes available at our events below:

10AM -1PM on Thursday 25th January Thursday 14th March Thursday 9th May

All in the main hall at Union Church, Union Crescent, Margate, Kent CT9 1NR



For more information: communityclothesbank.org.uk or on facebook and IG - Community Clothes Bank