Brompton Westbrook Primary School

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The Brompton Bugle

MEET THE TEAM...

This year the Children's Newsletter has been taken over by our new, enthusiastic and eager team of Young Journalists. The team have been carefully selected to ensure that your termly newsletter is informative, interesting and reporting on news that YOU want to read.

We will have regular sections to give you updates on school activities **but should you wish to have a story of your own reported then please let the team know and they will interview you and publish YOUR news!**

I like being a young journalist because I can write articles which will be published and I get to share my opinions about what is happening at school.

Millie

Writing is a real passion of mine and I am thrilled to be a junior journalist so that I can now do even more writing! I can't wait to see my first article in the Brompton Bugle. Lilly

I like being a reporter for the Brompton Bugle because I enjoy writing articles and hope to report lots of things to you about the school.

Milan

I am happy to have been chosen as a member of the Brompton Bugle team as it is my last year in this school so I can bring you all of the latest news and keep you up-to-date with everything before I leave. *Roza*

I am privileged to have been selected to be a young journalist. Art is one of my favourite hobbies so I hope to write some articles about art. *Tyler*

I love being a journalist because it is a privilege to be able to interview people and share my opinions about what is happening in school. *Charlie*

I want to have fun interviewing people and meeting new friends.

Emily

I am a keen writer and sometimes I don't know when to stop! I am looking forward to sharing my stories with the whole school community.

Alex

I wanted to be a junior journalist because I love writing and I am interested in sharing my love of writing with you.

Ashpreet

I love to write and am looking forward to the opportunity to bring you the latest news!

Tabitha

Did you take on our three week challenge?

'Walk to School Month' returned this October and pupils from years 1-6 have been ditching their parents cars and encouraging each other to walk to and from school. The national campaign is designed to encourage physical activity in a child's daily routine in a fun and innovative way. Medway Council is supporting the campaign and has invited all primary and secondary schools in Medway to take part in their own walking challenges. Last year, as a result of this campaign, 2,237 car journeys were removed from Medway's roads by the participating schools.

Hannah from 5A said "I really like to walk to school because you can get fresh air, get fit and

catch up with your friends on the way." Brompton Westbrook pupils totalled a magnificent 11,991 green journeys throughout the 3 week challenge. We enjoyed a special assembly which reminded us the "green ways" of travel and enthused everyone to take part.

Congratulations to everybody who joined in with the challenge and helped to reduce traffic pollution by walking, cycling and scooting.

The primary and secondary schools with the highest percentage of pupils walking over the three week period

will be crowned the winner of the challenges at the end of October. Keep your fingers crossed!

Reported by Millie



Term 2 Whole School Value

Well done to Lara who won the Term 1 value of responsibility.

This terms whole school value is **Respect and Recognition**. As a rights respecting school we pride ourselves on respecting what is around us, respecting each other and striving to be zero heroes. We know to respect each others opinions and that we care for each other.

Article 29 of the UNCRC says:

"Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment."

> How will you stand out from the rest of your peers? How will you think of others and your teachers and assistants? How will you always demonstrate positivity?

Reported by Tabitha & Tyler



In the Spotlight

Interview with Miss Staples

What do you like about the changing seasons?

I love the colours of Autumn and all the fruits and seeds. I also like the new life of Spring.

Which is your least favourite season? Why?

As a forest school teacher I like all of the seasons. I don't have a least favourite season.

Which is your favourite season?

They are all essential and different in their own ways. I enjoy the excitement of Spring because the birds are building their nests. The blossom looks beautiful on the trees and it's the time to do lots of gardening.

Do you have any environmental concerns?

I am worried about climate change and the future. I'll be looking carefully at the weather station data over the next few years. The children are going to help me send our data to The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). It will be for important research projects and for government agencies to use.

What can we look forward to in Term 2?

Next term there will be a camera on the bird feeder, but in the Spring it will be back inside the bird box.

Reported by Milan and Alex.

Minibeast Wordsearch Can you find the hidden words?



ant	caterpillar
snail	bee
fly	spider
beetle	frog
butterfly	ladybird





Anti-Bullying Week 2018 theme announced as 'Choose Respect'

Did you know it is Anti Bullying week from the 12th-16th November?

Our school are ready to celebrate all of the many things which we do to help us to stay safe at school including:

- Whole school assemblies
- Class circle time in PSHE and Seal lessons
- Our wonderful Peer Mediators and Play Leaders
- Reminding us of our Rights Respecting School charter



Staving Safe Online Follow our top tips for using the internet safely and positively.

1) Don't post any personal information online – like your address, email address or mobile number.

2) Think carefully before posting pictures or videos of yourself. Once you've put a picture of yourself online most people can see it and may be able to download it, it's not just yours anymore.

- 3) Keep your privacy settings as high as possible
- 4) Never give out your passwords
- 5) Don't befriend people you don't know

6) Don't meet up with people you've met online. Speak to your parent or carer about people suggesting you do

- 7) Remember that not everyone online is who they say they are
- 8) Think carefully about what you say before you post something online

9) Respect other people's views, even if you don't agree with someone else's views doesn't mean you need to be rude

10) If you see something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, unsafe or worried: leave the website, turn off your computer if you want to and tell a trusted adult immediately.

Reported by Lilly & Ashpreet

Hiding inside Brompton Westbrook there are some amazing sporting superstars, competing in some ridiculously crazy sports.

Charlotte in Year 6 competes in both England and abroad sailing. Initially she became involved in sailing because of her Dad's enthusiasm and first set sail at just 14 months old. Since then, she has competed in numerous competitions and even the 'Worlds' in which Charlotte came third! Watch out Olympics, as I predict Charlotte may well feature in the future.

Hannah in Year 5 competes nationally in BMX racing, which can be a very dangerous sport. In BMX you ride a bike starting on a hill which range from 3-8 metres in height. The courses then contain many jumps and difficult and tight corners. I asked Hannah about what she enjoyed the most about BMX.

"I enjoy getting trophies, taking part and making new friends. My best results are becoming South Champ and reaching 8th in the National Series. I was lucky enough to finish 9th in the Brits. Hannah has qualified for the 'Worlds' in Zulda which is being held over five days.

Hannah on the national stage having finished 8th.

Finally, I would like to tell you about myself. I am also a BMX rider and have recently qualified for the 'Worlds'. My achievements so far are becoming South Champ, Regional Champ, 10th in the Brits and in the top 14 in the Nationals. I train at a local BMX track in Gravesend and often go down to the track to practice three times each week. I really enjoy BMX. I have made lots of new friends, I enjoy being competitive and like taking part and pushing myself to achieve new highs.

I hope these stories have inspired you to become involved in a sport.

Reported by Emily

DO YOU HAVE A SPORTING STORY OR UNUSUAL HOBBY WHICH WE CAN REPORT IN OUR NEXT ISSUE? WE WOULD LOVE TO I NTERVIEW YOU. PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF OUR TEAM WHO YOU CAN IDENTIFY FROM THEIR PRESS PASS BADGES.

I won a Go-Pro action camera for finishing first.

Did you know that at Brompton Westbrook we have some amazingly talented pupils achieving extraordinary things?

, as I







Autumn Crossword

Can you solve the clues to complete the grid?

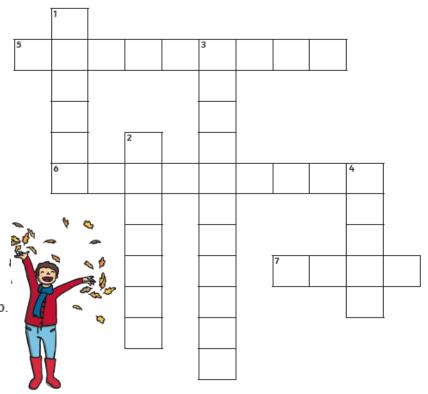
Clues

Down

- These turn bright colours in autumn and fall off the trees.
- 2. To celebrate Halloween, lots of people carve these vegetables into lanterns.
- A type of deep sleep that some animals go into when it's cold.
- The direction birds fly in when they migrate in autumn, ready for winter.

Across

- These animals roll into a tight ball during autumn and fall into a deep sleep.
- 6. These animals hide nuts and seeds during autumn, ready for winter.
- Squirrels hide these in autumn for food during the winter.



COMPETITION TIME!

How many words of three or more letters can you make using the Hogwarts motto?

Draco Dormiens Nunquam Titillandus

(Never tickle a sleeping dragon)

Hand in your entries to Mrs Millward 2M with your name and class

on.

Closing date is 16th November.