



Newsletter - 10th November 2017

Learning to Learn!

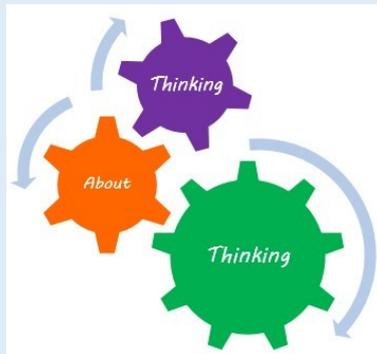
Dear Parents and Carers,

Since September, we have been looking into just how we learn—a process known as ‘metacognition’. It is a skill which helps us to be more successful learners and is linked to higher order thinking. Your child has been learning about a range of different strategies that will support them when they are given a new learning, such as memory games like mnemonics and summary techniques such as mind mapping and image chains. Over the course of this half term we will be exploring these strategies in greater depth, practicing them and apply them to our learning in all subject areas. If you would like to learn more about Metacognition, have a look at the following link:-

<http://thelearningcoach.com/learning/metacognition-and-learning/>

On behalf of our team,

Dawn



Competition Time!

Welcome to BMS' new look newsletter. We have changed the format around and as well as our usual celebration of our students achievements, we have added some key dates for your diary as well as information about which children and classes have topped the reward leader boards!

To celebrate the re-launch, we are holding a competition to find a snazzy new name for our newsletter—children are invited to think up some creative and attention grabbing names for our newsletter and send their ideas into the school office for the attention of Mrs Milton. Competition deadline—**Friday 1st December!** Good luck!

Spooky Celebrations for Gabby!

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Gabrielle W (6Y) who beat scores of other hopefuls from across the UK to win a competition to design a Halloween costume for Tesco.

Gabrielle designed a skeleton mermaid costume, drawing inspiration from her love of mermaids. Her costume featured a glittery front panel, skeletal tail, lacy sleeves, and was purple and turquoise in colour.

Tesco also kindly donated £200 to Broadstone Middle School funds.

Well done Gabrielle, we are very proud of you!



Photo courtesy of Bournemouth Echo

UBC Lifesaving

Every Wednesday afternoon, pupils take part in UBC and have the opportunity to try something completely different such as Lifesaving and First Aid.

This half term, twenty four children have had fun learning how to become UBC Rookie Lifeguards and Emergency First Responders. Not only have the children learnt some very valuable life skills, they have thoroughly enjoyed themselves—especially bandaging each other up! *Mrs Harrison*



Viking Invasion!

As part of their topic 'Viking Warriors', the year 6 pupils were unexpectedly visited by a Viking on Tuesday afternoon. The Viking, who was raiding the school for valuables, interrupted their assembly and stole shoes as well as money from the pupils. One pupil was even taken back to the Viking's longboat to be used as a slave but luckily he managed to escape. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the experience and will be using it as inspiration to write a newspaper report.

Miss Swann



Meet Broadstone Middle's newest School Council Team!



L-R: Tom G (7X), Sam H (7X),
Charlotte P (7X), Joseph S (7X),
Natalie B (8Y)



L-R: Abbi C (8X), Susie F (8Y), Rhys F
(8W), Lucie H (8Y), Amberley V-V
(8X)



L-R: Matthew D (5Z), Darrah M
(5W), Cheythani P (5Y), Lucy R (5X),
Sophie C (6Z)



L-R: James D (6X), Caitlin E (6W),
Kate F (6Z)

Sports Team Results

On Thursday 2nd November we took a team of Year 5 boys to a Year 6 football tournament organised by AFC Bournemouth. The boys played some brilliant football finishing top of their group, making it through to the semi-finals and only narrowly missing out on a place in the final after conceding in the final minute of added time. Playing up a year group in a tournament and reaching the semi-finals is an incredible achievement for the boys and we are proud of them all. We can't wait to see what next years' tournament brings!

Miss Marsh



REWARD POINTS

The children have returned after half-term with a great attitude towards their learning. Their hard work has been rewarded with nearly 8000 reward points awarded by staff across the school since the beginning of term. Although these points are individually totalled to earn certificates and other desirable rewards, they also count towards class and year group totals.

Well done to the following classes for being the highest earning class in each year group so far:

Year 5 – Class 5Z 652 points

Year 6 – Class 6Y 858 points

Year 7 – Class 7Z 586 points

Year 8 – Class 8X 553 points

Watch this space for exciting new changes to the reward points system coming very soon!

Miss K. Bone



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

3.05pm-4.30pm

Open to all pupils

Free of charge (Juice and biscuit on sale for £1)

Supervised by a member of staff

What we offer:

After school child care with various activities to keep the children occupied

Support with homework

No pre-booking required - just come along to the Atrium on the day!



Dates for your Diary...

14th November—Book look evening (3.30—6.30pm)

15th November—'Odd Socks' day for Anti-bullying week

16th November—Appointments with Teachers (pre-booked)

17th November—'Spotacular Day' for Children In Need

30th November—Poole Lighthouse Choir performance

8th December—BMS Christmas Fayre 5-8pm

Reminders...

We would like to remind all pupils to take care when crossing the roads around the school, particularly at the junction of Dunyeats/Lower Golf Links/Upper Golf Links Road. We have recently received a number of calls from concerned motorists.