

Date: 26.6.26

Whole school
attendance 95.1%

Message from Mrs Berthoud

Watsapp groups

These groups are excellent for sharing reminders about school events, non-urgent updates, or clarifying general information that has already been communicated by the school (e.g., "Don't forget it's dress-up day/PE/Forest School tomorrow!").

They can help parents connect with each other, arrange playdates, or coordinate activities outside of school.

Please ensure all communication is respectful, constructive, and positive. Avoid gossip, speculation, or negative comments about the school, staff, other parents, or children.

Attendance Matters

Who is 96%+?

Attendance percentage

Amelia Earhart	95.7%
David Attenborough	97.5%
David Bowie	92.7%
Ellie Simmonds	92.9%
Floella Benjamin	96.0%
Frida Kahlo	96.0%
Julia Donaldson	97.6%
Katherine Johnson	96.4%
Marie Curie	92.6%
Michael Jordan	95.6%
Nelson Mandela	95.0%
Princess Duleep Singh	96.4%
Stevie Wonder	93.6%
Tanni Grey-Thompson	96.1%
National	94.9%
Local Authority	95.4%



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LEARNING

Year 5 have been enjoying the outdoor learning spaces whilst still completing their maths.



HAPPY

Huge thanks to FOS for feeding ice lollies to children who stayed in the afternoon... and staff!

And to parents
for generous
cooling

donations for the staffroom.



SAFE

What is early help?



In Bromley 'Bromley Children's Project' is a form of early help.

A referral to the children and families hub by you or us enables this support to be put in place.

Diary Dates

29 JUN	MONDAY - SCHOOL EVENT SPORTS DAY 2026 - POSTPONED TO MONDAY 29th JUNE All day
10 JUL	FRIDAY - SCHOOL EVENT School reports emailed home and classes for next year All day
15 JUL	WEDNESDAY - SCHOOL EVENT Children swap and meet new teachers All day
15 JUL	WEDNESDAY - SCHOOL EVENT Open evening - no appointments pop and see teachers All day
20 JUL	MONDAY - SCHOOL EVENT Colour Run All day
22 JUL	WEDNESDAY - SCHOOL EVENT Last day of term All day
1 SEPT	TUESDAY - SCHOOL EVENT First day of Autumn Term All day

fAMILY

JUNE 2026

NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the new Family Newsletter

We are delighted to bring you useful insights, creative ideas, and engaging activities that help nurture strong family connections and highlight the value of healthy relationships at home.

The UK is banning all children under the age of 16 from social media.

Recent discussions in the UK about introducing a ban on social media for under-16s highlight growing concerns about how online environments can impact young people's wellbeing and relationships. While the intention is to create a safer digital space and support children's mental health, the debate also reminds us that young people still need guidance to build healthy relationships—both online and offline. Discover tools to help your young person build healthy relationships. The Reconnect website offers practical advice, simple tools, and local resources to support young people to build digital boundaries, stay safe, respectful, and connected in both their online and offline relationships.

Visit Reconnect www.reconnect-bromley.co.uk
Building healthy relationships online and offline



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TALKING TOGETHER TO EXPLORE RELATIONSHIPS

Starting discussions about social media and healthy relationships can be challenging for parents but maintaining an open and calm approach is crucial. Start by showing interest instead of concern, asking questions like, "What do you enjoy most about being online?". This fosters a safe environment for young people to share. Parents can use the Relationship Guide and Young People cards as a helpful starting point for these conversations. You might begin by exploring the resources together and asking your child what they think about the situation or question presented—this can take the pressure off and make the conversation feel more natural and relatable. [Click here](#) or scan the QR code to access the Relationship Guide for young people.



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NEWSLETTER

Scan the code below for the direct access to free resources



Young People Prompt Cards



Young People Relationships Guide



Self-regulation Guide



Children's books recommendations



Child Viewpoint Quiz

Adults resources



Quiz for parents who are together



Quiz for parents who are separated



Free parent workshops and courses



Relationship Thought Prompt cards



We will be holding our HAF Camp over the Summer holidays at Gray's Farm Primary Schools funded by the London Borough of Bromley, we would really appreciate if you could let your parents/carers and guardians know about our camps as these will be free to all who qualify for benefit related free school meals.

Our HAF camps are completely FREE for children who qualify for Benefit Related Free school meals and we also have a paid option for those who do not qualify.

Please see more information below:

Venue:

Grays Farm Primary School
Grays Farm Rd,
Orpington
BR5 3AD

Dates

27th July - 20th August

Timings

10am – 2pm

Here is the booking link for our Summer Camp, we would be grateful if you could pass on to parents and guardians please, thank you very much for your help in advance.

Booking Links:

Free spaces here:

<https://eequ.org/book/dynamic-coaching-bromley-food-and-fun-programme-with-dynamic-coaching-cic-31213>

Paid spaces here:

<https://form.jotform.com/223037796170357>

SUMMER CAMP



FREE PLACES & LUNCH*

available for eligible families



Monday to Thursday

Week 1: 27th – 30th July
Week 2: 3rd – 6th August
Week 3: 10th – 13th August
Week 4: 17th – 20th August

10:00am - 2:00pm

Gray's Farm Primary Academy,
Grays Farm Road,
Orpington, BR5 3AD

Ages 5-15 years

Suitable for children and young people from Reception to School Year 11

REGISTER NOW

Book FREE* places via
www.eequ.org/experience/9802
or scan QR code



Activities Include:

Multi-Sports | Fun Games | Football Tournaments | Arts & Crafts

Enjoy healthy meals and enriching activities over the school holidays.

*FREE for children and young people eligible to benefit-related Free School Meals.

Paid places also available.

Please bring a nut-free packed lunch and drink.

[Scan to book paid places](#)



★ **£15 per day** ★ **£55 for all 4 days**

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Free School Meals are changing from September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to inform you about important changes to Free School Meals (FSM) eligibility, which will take effect from September 2026.

What's changing?

Under new national rules, all families receiving Universal Credit will qualify for Free School Meals. This means more children will become eligible.

From 1 September 2026, there will be two categories of FSM eligibility:

1. Targeted Eligibility

- Applies to children in households receiving Universal Credit with annual earnings of **£7,400 or less**.
- Pupils in this category will:
 - Qualify for Free School Meals
 - Enable schools to receive additional Pupil Premium funding
 - Be considered for other support, such as extended school travel assistance

2. Expanded Eligibility

- Applies to children in households receiving Universal Credit with annual earnings **above £7,400**.
- Pupils in this category will:
 - Qualify for Free School Meals only
 - Not attract Pupil Premium funding

Important information

- Any existing transitional protection for Free School Meals will end in July 2026.
- The Department for Education (DfE) have advised that all children must be assessed under the new criteria before the start of the new academic year.

What you need to do

To make sure your child's eligibility is assessed in time, we strongly encourage you to complete and submit a short application form, using the link provided by your child's school, for each child as soon as possible

The Council will use this information to assess eligibility and share the outcome with you and your child's school.

Key deadline

- **Forms submitted by 17 July 2026** are guaranteed to be processed before the new school year
- Applications received after this date will still be assessed, but outcomes may not be available before September

Thank you for your cooperation in helping ensure all children who are entitled to Free School Meals receive them.

If you have any questions, please contact: fsm@bromley.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

Admissions and Transport – Free School Meals
London Borough of Bromley

School-specific form link:

[2026-27 Free School Meals Application - Southborough Primary School – Fill in form](#)



FREE SCHOOL MEALS UPDATE

Important Changes from September 2026



MORE CHILDREN CAN NOW QUALIFY

From September 2026:

- ✓ All families receiving **Universal Credit** can apply
- ✓ More children will now be eligible for **Free School Meals**



ELIGIBILITY EXPLAINED

◇ Targeted Support

Households on Universal Credit earning **£7,400 or less** per year

◇ Expanded Support

Households on Universal Credit earning **over £7,400** per year



IMPORTANT CHANGE

All other Free School Meal protections will **end in July 2026**



Every child must be reassessed before the new school year



WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NOW

- ✓ Complete a short application form **for each child**
- ✓ Use the link provided by your child's school



KEY DEADLINE



**17 JULY 2026 - Apply by this date to guarantee processing |
before term starts**



NEED HELP?

Speak to your child's school for your application link



Email: fsm@bromley.gov.uk
