



Branston Bulletin

12.06.2026

Branston Junior Academy 5Rs – Resilience, Reflection, Responsibility, Respect, Relationships

Our week in school

Despite the winter like weather the summer term continues to be a busy one here at BJA. Across this week the school has been full of children working hard and trying new things. Our Y5/6 children are working hard developing their end of year performance with lines being learned and props being created. We can't wait to see it once it all comes together!

(Resilience, Resilience, Reflection, Respect, Relationships)

Internal Sports Day 5th June

Last Friday the children enjoyed their Internal Sports Day. The children enjoyed taking part in a variety of athletic events and the winners were awarded with their medals in a special assembly at the end of the day. There were lots of smiling (and worn out) faces in the hall and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon of sporting endeavour. We are looking forward to sharing our traditional sports day with you on 12th June at 1.30pm. (Resilience, Responsibility, Respect)

Y4 MTC

This week our Y4 children have been taking part in the national 'Multiplication Times table Check'. The children have been learning their times tables across this year and were really keen to show their learning. Everyone took part and we are very proud of their attitude towards this and their efforts. Thank you to all our families who continue to support their children to learn this most important mathematical skill. (Resilience, Respect)

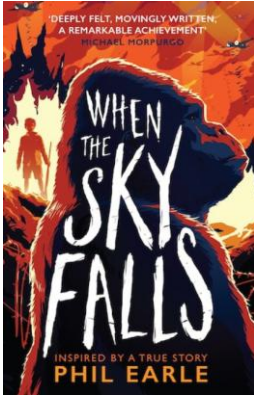


Residential Meeting

On Thursday we welcomed families into school to discover the plans and arrangement for the school residential for Y6 children this year. All of the children were very excited and we know they are going have a fantastic time being independent, having fun and challenging themselves! As always a thank you to all of the staff who give up their time to make residential happen! (Resilience, Responsibility, Relationships)

Mr Thornton's Book Corner

Today's offering is *When the Sky Falls*. This story is about the incredible friendship between a young boy and a silverback gorilla in the Second World War, inspired by a true story.



1941. War is raging. And Joseph has been sent to live in the city, where bombers rule the skies. There, he will live with Mrs F, a gruff woman with no fondness for children. Her only loves are the rundown zoo she owns and its mighty silverback gorilla, Adonis. As the weeks pass, Joseph and Adonis become friends, but what will happen when the bombers set him rampaging free?

YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD LOVE READING!

Small steps. Big impact.

Your support makes a difference.
Try these **simple strategies**
to help your child become
a confident reader.



≡ PRACTICE. ENCOURAGE. CELEBRATE. ≡

Every bit of support helps your child grow!

<p>1</p> <p>READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read aloud to your child, even if they can read on their own.• Make it a fun, relaxing time to connect.	<p>2</p> <p>TALK ABOUT THE STORY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask questions about the characters, setting, and what happened.• This builds understanding and thinking skills.	<p>3</p> <p>ENCOURAGE WORD SOLVING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• If your child gets stuck, encourage them to sound it out, look for clues, or try again.• Praise their effort!	<p>4</p> <p>MAKE READING ACCESSIBLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Have books, magazines, and comics available at home.• Let your child choose what interests them.
<p>5</p> <p>PRaise AND CELEBRATE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notice their effort and progress.• Celebration builds confidence and motivation!	<p>6</p> <p>CONNECT READING TO REAL LIFE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Point out words on signs, labels, menus, and in everyday places.• It shows reading has a purpose.	<p>7</p> <p>BE PATIENT AND POSITIVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Every child learns at their own pace.• Your encouragement helps them keep going.	<p>8</p> <p>WORK TOGETHER WITH TEACHERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay in touch and ask how you can support learning at home.• We're a team!

Diary dates 2025-2026:

- **Weds 17th – 19th June** – Outdoor Activity/Yr 6 PGL
- **Monday 22nd June** – Magna School Visit
- **Tuesday 23rd June** – Changeover Day
- **Friday 26th June** – Reports out to Parents
- **Thursday 2nd July** – Parents Evening Drop in Session (Information to follow)
- **Tuesday 7th July** – Year 5/6 Performance
- **Thursday 9th July** – Year 5/6 Performance
- **Thursday 16th July** – Year 6 Leavers Event
- **Wednesday 22nd July** – Summer Term 2 Ends
- **Wednesday 2nd September** – Autumn Term 1 Starts

Please do look on our website and scroll down to the 'Calendar' section <https://www.branstonjunioracademy.co.uk/parents/calendar/> to find dates of all events.

Useful information on our website

Please go to our website:

www.branstonjunioracademy.co.uk where you will find lots of useful information.

Under the 'Parents' tab, you will find information about:

- Information and events to support families.
- Mobile phones
- Second hand uniform
- Holiday / Medical Appointments
- Useful 'Letters and Forms'
- Your School Lottery

Under the 'Curriculum' tab, you will find lots of useful information about how to help your child with their learning.

Mr Pyburn's E-Safety 'top tip' -

Upcoming Parent Webinar - Curious about AI and your child's world?

Dear families,

I bring you news of another upcoming parent webinar from the excellent folks over at Lincolnshire's Stay Safe Partnership:

Join our Stay Safe Team's free webinar on "AI: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly" to learn:

- ✅ **How AI can support learning and creativity**
- 😬 **What to watch out for, like chatbots and misinformation**
- 💡 **Simple tips for family conversations and using parental controls**

Wednesday 1 July, 6:30–7:30pm

👉 Register your place here:

Empower yourself to guide your family confidently in the age of AI!

