



# CRS CHAT

Spring (1) 2020

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## Sensational Spring

We have had a very busy half term and it has been a real pleasure to see the Class Assemblies and learn about the various curriculum areas our children have been studying in class. Thank you to those of you who have been able to come along to these.

On behalf of all the staff here at Coombe Road, we wish you a very happy half term.  
Stay safe and warm with Storm Dennis on the loose...



Half Term

Mon 17/02-Fri 21/02

Children Return

Mon 24/02

Mrs V Phillips



# Poppy Class

Poppy Class have been learning about Chinese New Year as part of their 'Understanding of the World'

It's the Year of the Rat and they enjoyed watching the Chinese Lion Dance with Years 1 and 2.

Here they are enjoying a taste of noodles using chopsticks!













# Sky Class are Historians



Look at this fantastic Egyptian sarcophagus created as homework. I wonder where the 'Mummy' is?



Edible 'step pyramids' anyone?

# We are Artists



Getting messy, creating Ancient Egyptian Death Masks using mod roc!

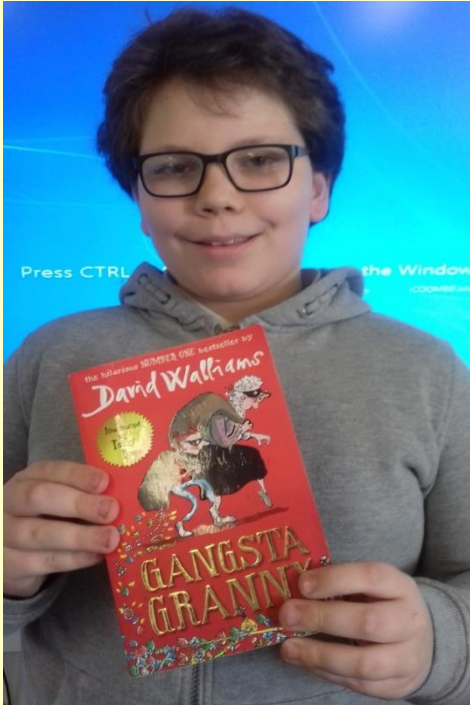


We worked together to decipher hieroglyphs, solve puzzles, make pyramids and work as archaeologists to find hidden artefacts.



# We are Readers

We love sharing a good book with everyone. Here are some recommendations :



## **GANGSTA GRANNY** **BY DAVID WALLIAMS**

This is an amazing book because of the story. It is about a boy who thinks his granny is very boring but one day she tells him a story about her stealing jewels from different historic places around the world, then they decide to try and steal the crown jewels from the Queen of England! However, someone is watching them. Will they be caught?

## **‘TALES OF TERROR’ BY CHRIS PRIESTLEY**

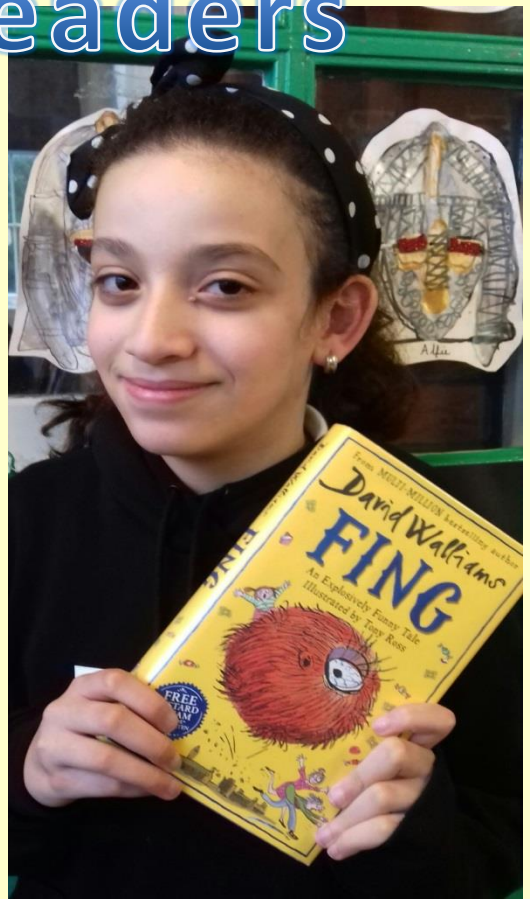
“I think you should read ‘Tales of Terror’. I’ve only just started it and so far it is really good! These is my are my favourite lines so far;” ‘The idea that I would willingly spend another moment on that platform with her.... I stepped up and slammed the door shut with force. I hoped it might transmit my feelings but when I looked through the open window of the carriage door, my stepmother was holding a handkerchief to her face making motions..’ I love it!”



# We are Readers

## 'FING' BY DAVID WALLIAMS

"I recommend this book because it is funny, full of adventure and really exciting.  
Also it includes custard creams!"



# We are Performers

Emerald Class loved their visit from Lucas Jet and we were all treated to a performance at the end of the day.









# Numeracy Cup

The children were an absolute credit to the school at this mathematical day held at the Amex Stadium.









# The children have been learning this song for World Awareness Week (after half term)

## Toutes les Couleurs du Monde (All the Colours of the World)

'Toutes les couleurs du monde'

Quand ça va,  
mon monde à moi  
est rouge, jaune, vert  
Ou bleu clair.

C'est super!

(Chorus)

Toutes les couleurs du monde,  
rouge, jaune, bleu et marron,  
orange, violet, vert,  
blanc, noir et rose clair!

Et la nuit  
le monde est gris

Ou coloré,  
bleu foncé  
ou violet!

(Chorus)

Quelquefois,  
ça ne va pas,  
quand tout est triste,  
noir et gris.

Pas joli!

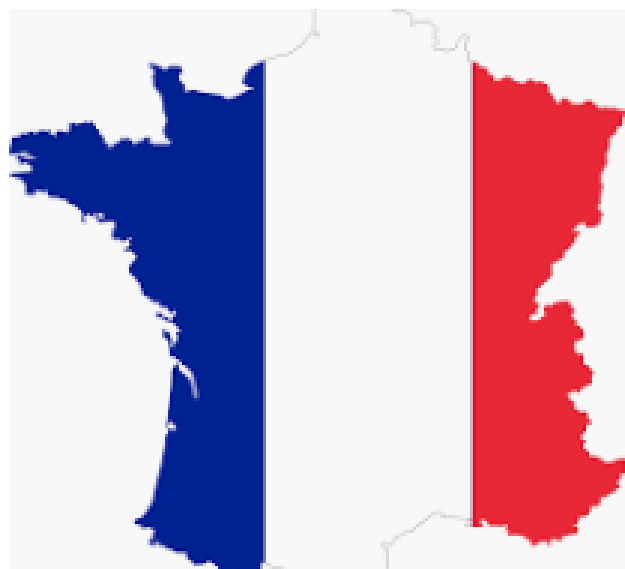
(Chorus)

Le jaune d'or,  
Moi, ça, j'adore!  
C'est magnifique,  
fantastique!

C'est magique!

(Chorus)

# WE ARE LINGUISTS







# Scootability

Buttercup Class had a great time being physical as part of their Scootability training, learning to ride in a safe, efficient way.





# School Uniform

Coombe Road Primary has a uniform policy. Uniform (including good as new) can be purchased through various ways through our website [www.coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk/e-office/starting-at-coombe-road/uniform](http://www.coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk/e-office/starting-at-coombe-road/uniform)

Years 5 and 6 are able to come in PE kits on their PE days (please ensure that the kits follow our uniform policy).

Our uniform is a navy jumper/cardigan, a white/blue polo shirt and grey/black bottoms. The uniform can be with or without the logo and children should wear their House badge (if this has been lost, a new one can be obtained from Lumina costing 10p) After discussion with the School Council, the winning House no longer wears non-uniform on a Monday and instead has special equipment to play with at lunch time on a Monday. To access this reward, children must be in uniform and wearing their House badge (so we know they are part of the winning team).

Please support the school and send your child into school wearing uniform. Thank you.





# SCHOOL POLICY REMINDERS

Only small stud earrings and watches are allowed at school. This is for Health and Safety reasons. If you send your child to school in hooped earrings, necklaces or bracelets there is a risk of tearing when in the playground/carrying out physical activity.



## Jewellery



Please keep your Parent Pay account topped up so that the account does not go into debt. If debts go unpaid, you will be requested to provide a packed lunch for your child until the debt is cleared.

Please remember to sign up to School Ping to receive important information, letters and dates. Password is available from the Main Office. If you do not sign up, you may not be aware of everything going on in our school community.



## PASSPORTS £5 FEE

We will ask for a donation of £5 for any passport countersigning.



## Important

[www.coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk](http://www.coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk)

Check our website regularly so that you are aware of upcoming events. Please be aware that, due to the nature of busy school life, dates may change suddenly. The dates on our school site will be the most up-to-date and we request that you do not rely on other sources.

## COMMENTS:

If you have any comments or suggestions, please email:

[admin@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:admin@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk)





# Attendance News

We cannot authorise holidays in term time unless there are **EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES**. If you take your child out of school, you are at risk of being fined by the Local Authority (starting at £60 per parent/carer per child). Please do book your holidays out of term time.

175 non school days a year					
175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments					
365 days in each year	190 School days in each year	10 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence Half a term missed	38 days absence
	180 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education	143 days of education
	100%	95%	90%	85%	80%
	GOOD Best chance of success Gets your child off to a flying start	WORRYING Less chance of success Makes it harder to progress		SERIOUS CONCERN Not fair on your child Court action	

Under the terms of the Education Act 1996, it is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure that their child attends school regularly and punctually. Failure to do so may lead to legal proceedings being taken against you by the Local Authority.













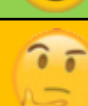



# Current Attendance: 95.23%



National Figure = 96%

## Class Attendance 19/20

Class	Champion Score	  
Poppy Class	95.46%	
Buttercup Class 	96.67%	
Sunflower Class	94.09%	
Emerald Class	94.67%	
Sky Class 	97.09%	
Indigo Class	95.0%	
Amethyst Class	94.01%	

### Answers to frequently asked questions:

- Medical evidence is required if a child is absent for 3+ days.
- If we have not heard from you and your child is absent for 3+ days, we will contact FDfF (Social Services) as part of our Safeguarding procedure.
- Holidays will not be authorised in term time unless there are absolutely exceptional circumstances.
  - Cost of holidays is not an exceptional circumstance.
- Fixed Penalty Notices are issued by the Council once referred by the school.
  - Money goes directly to the Council (not the school).



### AUTUMN TERM

First Day of Autumn Term	Thursday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September (INSET Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> November)	Monday, 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> November (INSET Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Last Day of Autumn Term	Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Holiday	Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> December – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January

### SPRING TERM

First Day of Spring Term	Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> February)	Monday, 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday, 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Last Day of Spring Term	Friday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> April
Easter Holiday	Monday, 6 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April

### SUMMER TERM

First Day of Summer Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day Bank Holiday	Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> May (changed from 4 <sup>th</sup> May for VE Day celebrations)
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> June)	Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> May
Last Day of Summer Term	Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> July (INSET Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> , Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> and Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> )

### INSET Days (5 days in every academic year have to be set aside for staff training):

To try and help parents, we have attached our staff training days to existing holidays. The school will be closed on the following days for INSET:

- Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019
- Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019
- Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020
- Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

# Coombe Road Primary School

## Term Dates 2020-2021



### AUTUMN TERM

First Day of Autumn Term	Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> September (INSET Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> September)
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November)	Monday, 26 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> October
Last Day of Autumn Term	Friday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Holiday (children return to school on Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January)	Monday, 21 <sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January

### SPRING TERM

First Day of Spring Term	Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January (INSET Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> February)	Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February
Last Day of Spring Term	Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Easter Holiday (Children return to school on Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> April)	Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April – Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April

### SUMMER TERM

First Day of Summer Term	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> May
Half Term (1 week) (children return to school on Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> June)	Monday, 31 <sup>st</sup> May – Friday, 4 <sup>th</sup> June
Last Day of Summer Term	Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> July (INSET Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> and Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> July)

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- Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2020
- Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020
- Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021
- Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021
- Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021



You can now alert us to absence and reasons by emailing:  
[attendance@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk) which will go  
directly to our Welfare/Attendance Officer.

Please ensure that you are aware of our Attendance Policy, in line with Brighton and Hove City Council. If your child is absent for 3 days, we may require medical evidence in line with safeguarding. If you do not contact us with a reason for absence, we may involve FDfF (Front Door for Families) to ensure that your child/yourself are safe.

## Adverts

Providing Pet Services in and around Brighton, including Dog Walking (Groups and one-to-ones), Reactive and Rescue Dog Care, Puppy Care, Cat Feeding, Small Animal Care, Home Visits and Pet Sitting in Your Own Home.

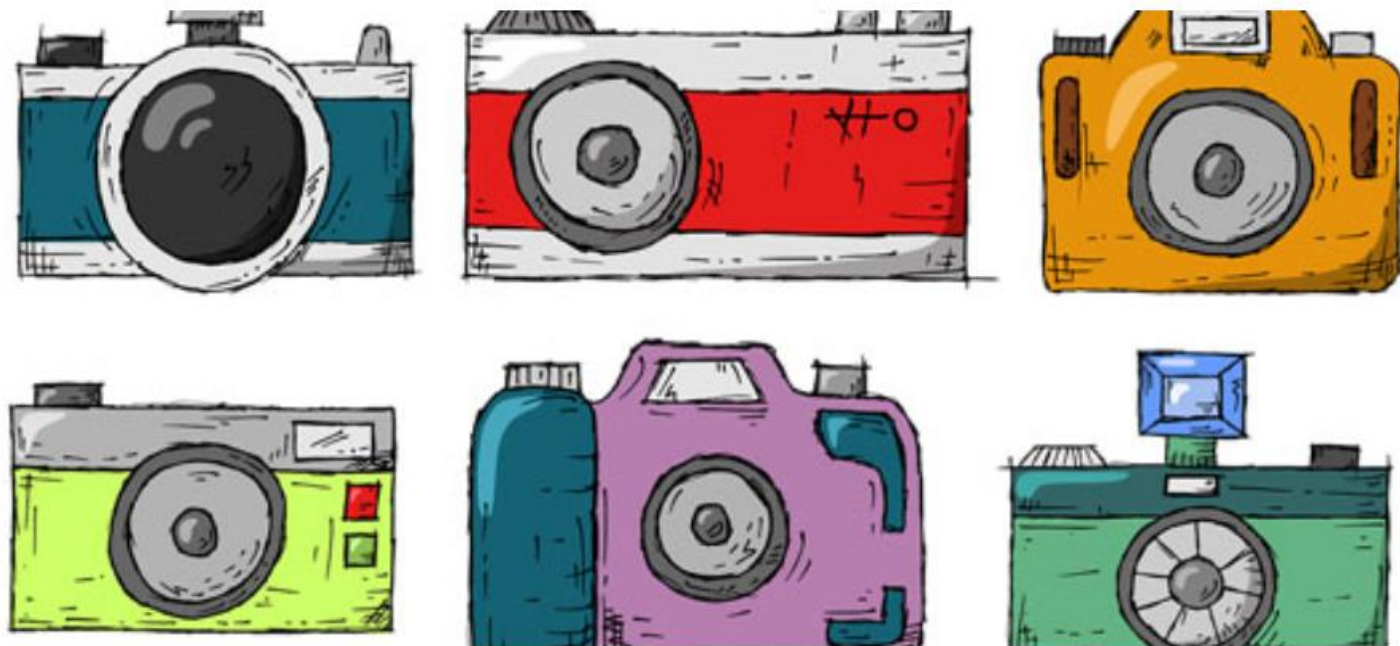
[www.benjispetservices.co.uk](http://www.benjispetservices.co.uk)

[info@benjispetservices.co.uk](mailto:info@benjispetservices.co.uk)

07958 321 530



# Adverts



## SILVERBOX MULTIMEDIA

Holiday School 17th - 21st Feb

Spring Theme - Fantasy.

This week we will be exploring Fantasy Storytelling techniques.  
If your child has an inner goblin or fairy they're keen to let out, this is  
the week for them!

**BOOK NOW**

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<https://www.silverboxmm.co.uk/holiday-school-application-form.html>



# Adverts



**Places available for 2,3 & 4 year olds**

Funding available for eligible children  
(non funded children £18.60 per session)

**A small, friendly Pre-school with Good Ofsted**

**Opening times (term time only)**

Monday - Friday

8.50am - 2.50pm

**Call Alison for details**

**07722 074841**

Email: [newbeginningspreschool@hotmail.com](mailto:newbeginningspreschool@hotmail.com)

Coombe Road School, Coombe Road,  
Brighton, East Sussex, BN2 4ED

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# Adverts

## GameⓂ wagon



### GAME DESIGN WORKSHOPS IN BRIGHTON THIS COMING HALF TERM

- Where code meets the creative arts
- Learn to make your own games
- Stretch your creative genius
- Thurs 20th Feb
- 10am to 3pm
- For students aged 8 to 11
- Just bring packed lunch and their creative genius.

Local schools special 20% off with code: **gamewagon20**

[www.juniorgamecreators.co.uk](http://www.juniorgamecreators.co.uk)

Developing games can get complex quickly! Do not let the learning curve dampen your enthusiasm for digital creativity and coding.

Junior Game Creators workshop is a code academy delivered face to face during the school holidays. We help students maintain interest and enthusiasm for computer science and digital creativity.

We can get you started and set a foundation for a skill that could become a hobby. That hobby could also become a future career.

The basics of coding help nurture creativity and problem solving skills, and prepare you for a wide variety of future careers.



LAST FEW PLACES

JUNIOR GAME CREATORS NEWSLETTER ALL RIGHTS RESERVED



# Adverts

Level 1 & Level 2

# CYCLE



# TRAINING

at Preston Park  
and Hove Park



**Level 1** is where you will learn to control your bike.

**Level 2** is where you start with real traffic, but sticking to quiet roads.

Monday 17 to Thursday  
20 February

10am – 12.30pm each day

**Ages 9 –14**

Places are limited and on a first-come first-served basis.

Levels 1 & 2 together is £30 per person.

To book your place, please visit [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events)





Level 1

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**Monday 17 February**

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**Ages 9 –14**

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first-come first-served basis.

Level 1 training costs £10  
per person.

To book your place, please  
visit [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events)



**Brighton & Hove  
City Council**



Level 3

# CYCLE



## TRAINING

at Preston Park  
and Hove Park



Monday 17 to Wednesday  
19 February

1.15pm – 3.15pm each day

**Ages 11 – 14**

**Level 3** is where you learn to cycle safely on busy roads within the city.

Training includes roundabouts, traffic lights and filtering. You must have completed Levels 1 and 2.

Places are limited and on a first-come first-served basis.

Level 3 training costs £25 per person.

To book your place, please visit [www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events](http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/events)



Brighton & Hove  
City Council



### Live & Breathe Environmental Competition

February 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child has shown interest in an environmental competition run by our team at Brighton & Hove Buses. We would like to invite your child to take part and think about how they can improve their local environment.

#### What is the competition?

We're asking children from Key Stage 1 and 2 to think about how their actions can have a positive impact on their local environment.

In order to take part in the competition, children will need to complete the attached worksheet and draw their action into the ampersand ("&") design on the worksheet page. They may have already started working on this task in the classroom with their teacher, but if not, they can complete it at home in their own time. Each child may submit a maximum of five completed worksheets. A parent/guardian must then sign and complete the entry form and permission slip, and these must be submitted with your child's entry.

Once your child has completed their entry, please post the entries directly to us along with the entry form and permission slip **to arrive by 6pm on 23 March addressed to:** Live & Breathe Environmental Competition, Brighton & Hove Buses, 43 Conway St, Hove BN3 3LT. Alternatively, if your child's school is co-ordinating the competition entries, please pass the completed worksheet and entry form with the signed permission slip to your child's school.

#### The prizes

Once all entries have been received, those shortlisted will have their designs displayed on the internal screens of our new Euro VI Extended Range Electric buses. An overall winner will be chosen from each Key Stage (one from Key Stage 1 and one from Key Stage 2). These two winners will each win a **free Spirit of Sussex coach trip** for up to 4 people, an eco-friendly **goody bag** and their school will receive **free coach travel** for a school trip (terms and conditions apply).

For more information, competition terms and conditions and entry requirements, as well as the competition entry form please go online to [www.buses.co.uk/live-breathe-school-competition](http://www.buses.co.uk/live-breathe-school-competition) or email Marie Sansom ([Marie.Sansom@buses.co.uk](mailto:Marie.Sansom@buses.co.uk)) at Brighton & Hove Buses who will provide a competition pack on request. Don't forget to add your child's name onto their entry form and complete the permission slip below.

Thank you and I do hope you can get involved.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "V. Doyle".

Vicky Doyle  
Head of Marketing and Communications  
Brighton & Hove Buses



# Competition

## **Parent/Guardian Permission Slip:**

I give permission for my child to take part in the Live & Breathe Environmental Competition.

Signed by name of parent/guardian:

Printed name of parent/guardian:

Name of pupil:

Age of pupil:

Pupil's school:

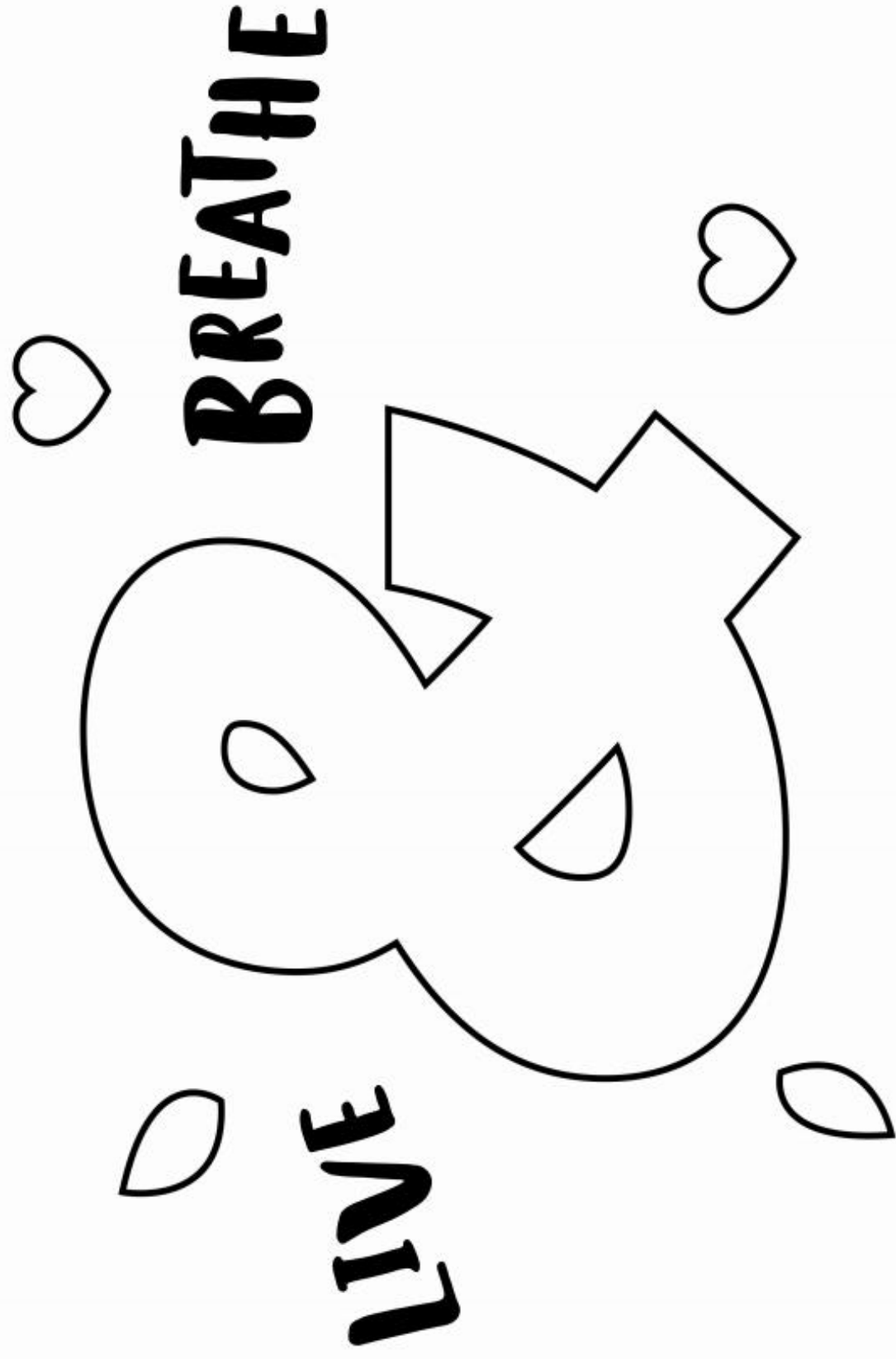
Parent/guardian contact email:

Parent/guardian contact telephone:

Our Privacy Policy can be found online here: <https://www.buses.co.uk/privacy-policy>

**What can you do to improve your local environment?**

*Draw your answer inside the ampersand (&) design below:*



I will improve my local environment by .....