

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is: Courage Our HeartSmart focus is: Too much selfie isn't healthy!

Friday 31st January 2025  
Spring Term Newsletter 2

Things to remember:

- 2025-2026 Term dates are attached to this newsletter.
- The office opening hours are 8.30 - 4.00pm. Phone calls and emails will be returned within these working hours.
- Allergy and dietary requirement forms for Hooke Court need to be completed today.

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is finally nice to see some sunshine this week. After weeks of wet, windy and chilly weather, the warmth and light have brought a real sense of energy and happiness to our school. The children have enjoyed spending time playing with the new playground toys, spending time with their friends and soaking up the fresh air. It is a great reminder of how much a bit of sunshine can lift our spirits and bring out smiles all round. Let's hope the sunshine continues into February.

The children have continued to fly high and there has been some fantastic learning that has taken place. Over the last 2 weeks, I have had the pleasure of teaching Reception who wowed me with their recognition of numbers 1-5, as well as Year 1 who showed me how amazing they are at segmenting polysyllabic words. Year 2 were brilliant at keeping a rhythm with musical instruments and were able to keep to the beat and stop when asked. Whilst teaching Year 2, I heard the delightful sounds of the recorders being played in Year 3 and cannot wait for a performance at the end of their unit of learning! Year 4 have worked hard on their assembly and made Mrs Brake proud when they presented to parents. Well done Broadmayne!

## Cold and wet weather



Despite the sunshine, the wet weather will continue next week. Please ensure that your child has a named coat in school. We encourage all children to put a coat on during the wet and cold months. The classrooms can become cold when the doors are open for play times and lunchtimes and therefore we encourage children to keep warm by wearing jumpers/cardigans.

## Absence Request Forms

Requests for absence forms can now be found on our school website and can be completed online. They are located in the 'Our School' - 'Attendance' area. Hard copy red forms are still available from the office if required.



### Get well soon Mrs Tindell

Some of you may know that Mrs Tindell will not be with us for a few weeks. She is going into hospital to have a Cochlear implant fitted. She has told me that she will look as cool as Fury from the Gladiators when she returns! Mrs Tindell has found lip reading extremely exhausting so we hope that the implant (when it is switched on) will help improve her quality of hearing. We will miss you and wish you a speedy recovery Mrs Tindell!

Attendance Matters



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Our whole school attendance last week was : 94.84%

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
97.44%	90.28%	96.61%	95.77%	95.60%

## Reading Rocks at Broadmayne!



This week all of the children have participated in ERIC (Everyone Reading in Class). It has been a joy to see children engaged in books in a relaxed and enjoyable way. By setting aside this special time, we help children build confidence, comprehension and a passion for storytelling that will benefit for years to come. Let's continue to support and encourage our young readers - one book at a time!

## PE Kit in school

Please note that all children should have a labelled indoor and outdoor PE kit in school, this includes plimsolls or trainers. PE is a crucial part of the school curriculum. It inspires a healthy lifestyle and lifelong love of sports. To participate comfortably, a kit is needed. If your child does not have their PE kit in school at the moment please send this in. Kits are sent home for washing every half term.



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## Clerk to Governors Position Available at Broadmayne



We are looking for a well-organised, reliable, and proactive individual to support our school's governing body. This role is ideal for someone who has strong administrative skills and wants to contribute to the success and smooth operation of the school.

### *About the role: Clerk to Governors*

You would play an essential role in supporting the work of the governing body, ensuring that our meetings and decisions are well organised, accurately documented and effectively communicated. This is a flexible part time role, requiring a commitment of being available during the day and in the evening for meetings, but minutes and agendas can be typed and fitted around your day, so it is a great way of earning some additional money. It is an as and when job, but in general the meetings take a couple of hours. The successful candidate would need to attend 2 meetings per half term, plus of course admin time which amounts to approximately 3 hours following each meeting, so roughly 36 hours per year. The hourly rate of this position would be £12.65.

The key responsibilities include:

- Organising and scheduling meetings
- Taking and distributing minutes
- Managing governing body records
- Providing guidance and support

### *What we are looking for:*

The ideal candidate for this role will:

- Have excellent organisational skills and attention to detail
- Be proficient in basic IT, including word processing and email
- Be able to manage time effectively, work independently, and meet deadlines
- Maintain confidentiality and understand the importance of handling sensitive information with care.

Experience in a similar role or in education is helpful but not required; training will be provided for the right candidate. If you are interested in applying please contact the school office, who will provide you with further information.

## The use of WhatsApp at Broadmayne First School

Class or Parent/Carer WhatsApp groups are a very useful and efficient way of communicating to the whole class or groups of parents. The aim of using WhatsApp is to send messages to an entire group, which are relevant to school or to the parents in the group.



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The messages in WhatsApp groups either come from parents in their personal capacity or are messages forwarded on behalf of the school. The school does not post directly on any WhatsApp parent/carer groups.

Parents should adhere to the following guidelines when using class WhatsApp groups:

- The group should never be used as a platform to air views/grievances regarding a member of staff, child or parent in the class or school
- The group should be used keeping in mind mutual respect and cultural sensitivity between all its members
- Bullying is not to be tolerated and should be reported.

Please note, the school considers the following online activity inappropriate:

- Abusive or personal comments about staff, pupils or other parents
- Bringing the school into disrepute
- Posting defamatory or libellous comments
- Using social media to publicly challenge school policies or discuss issues about individual children
- Threatening behaviour, such as verbally intimidating staff, or using bad language

The school takes safeguarding responsibilities seriously and will deal with any reported incidents appropriately. We thank you for your continued support in safeguarding all members of the Broadmayne community.



#### Local First Alliance visit

Next week, we welcome Mrs Cresswell from Cerne Abbas First School and Mr Homer from St Mary's Charminster who are coming to tour our school to provide feedback on how we support all children in our school. I am really looking forward to showing off how hard our staff team work and how amazing our children are. I look forward to sharing with you their findings in the next newsletter.

And finally....

Thank you to all our support staff who have provided extra playtime and lunchtime supervision this week as we battle the winter bugs and try to cover staff absence.

A huge well done to Year 4 for hosting the first parent assembly. Mrs Brake is very proud of you.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the request for items for Outdoor Adventurers Woodland area. It is looking so great down there.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Jordan-Gill

## 24-25 Dates for the diary

Date	Time	Event
<a href="#">FEBRUARY 2025</a>		
Wednesday 12th	2.45	Year 1 Class Assembly
Friday 14th	2.40	Flashback Friday
Monday 17th - Fri 21st		HALF TERM
Monday 24th		INSET DAY
Tuesday 25th	8.45	Children return to school
Wednesday 26th	AM	Year R Vision Screening
<a href="#">MARCH 2025</a>		
Thursday 6th		World Book Day - Children to come to school in pyjamas - details to follow
Friday 14th	2.45	Year R Class Assembly
Wednesday 19th		Year 4 Music at Thomas Hardy
Friday 21st		Red Nose Day - details to follow
Tuesday 25th	2.45	Year 2 Class Assembly
Wednesday 26th March - Friday 28th March		Year 4 Hooke Court Trip
<a href="#">APRIL 2025</a>		
Wednesday 2nd	2.30pm	Rocksteady Concert - for parents of children in club only
Friday 4th		END OF TERM. School finishes at 2pm.