

25th October 2024
Autumn Term Newsletter 4

Things to remember:

- The school photographer is in school on Monday 11th November taking individual / sibling photos in the morning. Those who have requested an evening family slot will have received their time slot via text message sent out on 23rd Oct.
- Poppy Appeal merchandise is on sale in the school office to raise funds for The Royal British Legion.
- Please refrain from parking over the Keep Clear markings by the entrance to the staff car park - we now have a much larger taxi and it is dangerous trying to pull out onto Knighton Lane without clear visibility. Please also refrain from parking in the staff car park, unless you have agreed this with Mrs Jordan-Gill. For drivers using the disabled blue badge space, please park as close to the fence as possible whilst still retaining accessibility.
- Please can we request that dentist and doctor appointment bookings are shared with the office staff in advance.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, we have finally made it to the end of Autumn 1. We have had an amazing 8 weeks of flying high but I think we all deserve a little rest, some relaxation and some quality time with our families. It has been an absolute pleasure to get to know our new reception children and their families as well as reconnect with the rest of our lovely children. It has been a really enjoyable half term and the children should be very proud of all that they have achieved. Whilst I am looking forward to a few days not travelling to school everyday I will miss being here at Broadmayne, it truly is the best place to work.

Harvest Festival



During this half term each class has been looking at harvest and its importance. On Wednesday we ended our theme of generosity by holding our Harvest Festival Assembly. It was a delight to discuss with the children what they had learnt in class and to celebrate the generous donations that we have received. We ended our assembly by singing 'Big Red Combine Harvester' which was a highlight for the day. Your donations will now be packaged up and donated to the local food bank. We thank you again for your donations.

Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance last week was : **94.75%**



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
94.29	91.33	98.62	96.27	93.00

As per the new attendance guidance for schools we will be sending attendance certificates home today. At Broadmayne we aim for children to achieve at least 97% attendance for a full school year. There are clear links between poor attendance and poor attainment. If children are absent from school, they may miss key learning opportunities resulting in gaps in their knowledge and understanding. The importance of regular attendance at school cannot be stressed enough. We will promote school attendance and provide support when a student is struggling to attend school.

Please note - If your child has been absent with sickness this will be noted on their attendance records as the reason for their low attendance.



Safe and Healthy Me Week - Week Beginning 5th November

When we return after the holidays, we will be focusing on how to keep safe and healthy in school. During this week we will be practising our fire drill and lockdown procedure. We have PCSO Pepper coming to talk to us about how to keep safe online. On Thursday afternoon we have an interactive Road Safety workshop for all children to take part in. This important, informative activity is expensive, but a worthy investment, to help safeguard our children. We are asking parents to make a small donation of £3 per child via the SchoolMoney Website to help cover the expense. We will send you a text and email from the site as a reminder of how to log on.

Family Help Drop-in Sessions:

Just a little reminder that Bobbie, our Family Help link worker for Broadmayne school; will be holding her first monthly drop-in session on Friday 8th November 2024 at 09:00 am.



Family Help in Dorset supports families in a variety of ways. They are here to support children, young people and families experiencing challenges that may put them under pressure.



Cauliflower Christmas cards

We are taking part in the Cauliflower school fundraising 2024 Christmas Project. All of the children will be bringing home an A3 sheet, which has instructions and ordering information, along with a QR code that can be scanned for further information. On the right side you will find space to stick your child's A4 design, which can then be used on cards, notebooks, mugs etc of your choice, which make perfect gifts. A great project for quiet moments in half term. Orders and payment should be made online, but we just need all artwork to be returned to the school office by 6th November please.



Outdoor Adventurers
Forest School

Outdoor adventurers

For the last half term our Year 4 class have enjoyed spending every Thursday morning in our woods experiencing and learning new skills with our Outdoor Adventurers team. After half term it will be the Year 3's turn to have the same experiences with our fabulous ladies Anita and Helen. We are very much hoping that we can continue for the remainder of the academic year whereby all classes can have an opportunity to participate. They will also be setting up an after school club in the new year. The ladies have asked if any parents would be able to donate either pallets, old tyres or wood chippings.



Streets of Light trail at Broadmayne First School - Thursday 31st October.



This year we will be participating in the Streets of Light Trail. Each class has been busy creating window displays to decorate our front office windows and doors. If you would like to take part in the trail it begins outside of the school at 5pm. The trail will take approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour. It will finish with a hot chocolate and treat afterwards.

And finally.....

Thank you for a wonderful half term. I wish all of you a happy half term with your families. Have some much needed family time and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 5th November.

Best wishes, Mrs Jordan-Gill

Date	Time	Event
28th October - 2nd November		HALF- TERM
NOVEMBER		
Monday 4th		INSET DAY
Tuesday 5th		Safe and Healthy Me Week Children return to school for Autumn Term 2
Wednesday 6th	3.30-5.30	Parent consultations Deadline for Cauliflower Card orders
Thursday 7th	2.30	Road safety workshop. Please visit school money
Friday 8th	.00	Family Help Drop-in Session
Monday 11th	3.30-5.30	School Photographer - Family portraits session
Wednesday 13th	3.30-5.30	Parent consultations
Friday 29th	5pm	FABS Christmas Fayre Cool Kids will not be available on this afternoon - sorry
DECEMBER		
Monday 9th		Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10th	2.00pm	Christmas Performance
Wednesday 11th	2.00pm 6pm	Christmas Performance
Tuesday 17th		Local Food Links serve Christmas Dinner
Friday 20th		Christmas Party Day School finishes at 2pm.
JANUARY 2025		
Monday 6th		Children return to school for Spring term 1