



# Broadmayne First School Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is: Thankfulness      Our HeartSmart focus is: Get Heartsmart!

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Things to remember:

- Parent consultations: Monday 9th October and Tuesday 10th October
- Read to a Relative or friend Friday 13th October

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have all had a great 2 weeks. It has been extremely busy here at Broadmayne with lots of visitors and meetings which have kept me from being at the entrance at the start and end of the school day. Our visitors have included our Educational Challenge Lead spending the morning observing classes as well as a whole day with a Health and Safety Advisor. All of our visitors have recognised how hard we are working to achieve 'flying high' aspirations for all of our staff, children and our environment, and have provided us with ways that we can fly even higher. I am working on our School Development Plan at the moment and when this has been finalised with staff, I will share a copy within the newsletter. I am very keen for us to work together to achieve great things for everybody at Broadmayne - Team work makes the dream work!

## Parent/ Staff Communication

We believe that clear, open communication between us and families has a positive impact on pupils' learning. Most importantly it builds trust between home and school which helps the school better support each child's educational and pastoral needs. Over the last half term, we have seen an increase in the number of daily emails that staff are receiving and whilst we want to respond to each one as soon as they arrive, this is not always possible due to them teaching or having family commitments. From next week, you will see that staff will have the following disclaimer at the bottom of their emails:

*'The wellbeing of staff at Broadmayne First School is a priority and our email protocol allows staff to send emails when it is most convenient for them to do so. Staff will check their emails at least once a day between the hours of 8am and 4pm, but are not expected to respond to emails sent outside these times unless they wish to do so. Please be aware that some staff are part time and have different hours and therefore may not respond until they are next back in school.'*



Whilst I appreciate that hearing incidents that have occurred at school are upsetting to hear, please can I encourage all email communication to follow our school values of being kind, safe and respectful.

### Food and Festival Week, and Harvest Festival - Monday 16th October



On Monday 16th October we will begin our first theme week of the year, 'Festivals and Food'. During the week our children will be exploring the importance of festivals and food to different faiths and world views, and we will be welcoming visitors into the school to share how they celebrate within their own homes.

As part of this we will be holding a Harvest Festival for our children on **Wednesday 18th October**. As always, we will be collecting items for the Food Bank, and invite you to bring in food, toiletries and household cleaning items to the school office from **Monday 16th October**. Please either drop items at the school office, or children can bring them into class. No fresh food please, and please do check the date on any packets or tins of food you bring in.

### Artreach - 'Little Murmur'



On Thursday 9th November our Year 3 children will have the opportunity to go to the village hall to watch a dance theatre performance called 'Little Murmur'. Children will get to experience how Aakash Odedra found school very challenging and dance became his mode of expression. The children will also take part in a workshop in the morning based on the show. The afternoon performance in the village hall is open to the general public and starts at 2pm. Please see the attached poster. If you would like a sneaky peek of the performance, please visit: [Little Murmur - Aakash Odedra Company](#)

### Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance for week ending 22nd September was: **97.85 %**

Our whole school attendance last week was : **93.92%**

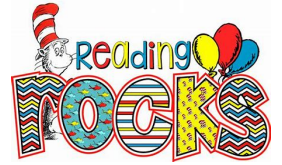
Whole school year to date - **98.39%**

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## Reading Rocks at Broadmayne!



### Phonics workshop

Thank you to Mrs Norman for hosting our Phonics workshop this week. We did not have as many parents as we would have liked, so we will be hosting a phonics workshop for reception parents on **Wednesday 1st November at 2.30pm**. This will be your opportunity to find out who your children are talking about when they mention 'Tricky Tess', 'See it Sam' and 'Listening Len'.

### Story Book Assembly

Last week Bert and Beryl with the help of Mrs Brake, read the story 'One House for All'. The book focuses on friendships, the importance of considering each other's needs and the ability to accommodate individual differences. The book had wonderful illustrations and has become one of my favourite books!



### Messy Pups Holiday Club

Mrs Grogan's popular holiday club, Messy Pups, will be running again in October Half Term. Sessions can be booked for mornings, afternoons or both, and the club runs on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. It is a craft and activity based club which keeps children busy and engaged!

The club fills up quickly, so it is best to book as soon as possible. Mrs Grogan can be contacted via [messypups82@gmail.com](mailto:messypups82@gmail.com) if you have any questions or queries.

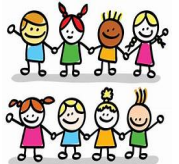
### Pokemon Club

Eric kindly asked me if a Pokemon lunchtime club could be restarted as there are lots of children that would like to swap their duplicate cards. I will be hosting this lunchtime club on **Tuesday lunchtimes**. If your child would like to swap their duplicates, please bring them to school on Tuesdays. We will be discussing basic etiquette when swapping such as: once swap has taken place, we cannot change our mind and each trade has to be fair. I will read up on the cards and pokemon rules over the weekend to ensure that I can support with fair trading.



## Broadmayne Buddies

After half term I will be setting up a group called 'Broadmayne Buddies'. My buddies will help at lunchtime to keep our environment safe. Our duties will include helping in the dinner hall, tidying the cloakrooms, sorting library books, litter picking and reminding children of the school values when in and around the school. All children can apply to be a Broadmayne Buddie, all they need to do is draw a picture or write a letter to Mrs Jordan-Gill expressing their interest in the job.



## Friends At Broadmayne School (FABS)



### Halloween Party

FABS are holding a Halloween Party on **Thursday 19th October 5-6.30pm**. There will be entertainment from the brilliantly funny Strawberry Jam followed by a mini disco and special appearance from Familiar-Faces Children's parties. Children are welcome to wear fancy dress if they wish. They will also be holding a pumpkin carving competition where children are invited to bring along their carved pumpkins on the morning of the party and they will be used to line the playground where winners will be picked, they can then be taken home after the party. Tickets cost £5 which includes a sweetie bag and unlimited squash, they will be available to purchase from the office from **Monday 9th October** or at **Friday cake sales**.

### Christmas Fair

Save the date - **Friday 1st December 5.30-7pm**.

Get festive with fun and games, delicious food and drink. If you would like a stall at our Christmas Fair then please give the office your details and we will be in touch.

### Friday Cake Sales

Year 3 and Year 2 have done a great job so far raising lots of money to fund transport for their school trips which will overall reduce the cost to parents. Here is the plan for the rest of this term for the remaining year groups to raise money for their classes;

Year 2 - Friday 6th and 13th October

Preschool - Friday 20th October

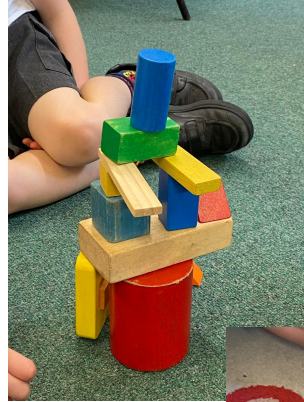
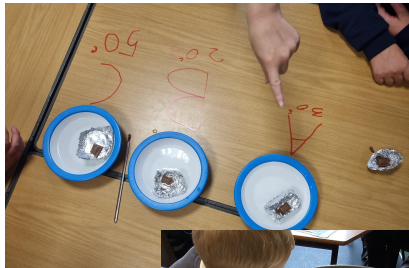
Year 1 - Friday 3rd and 10th November

Year R - Friday 17th and 24th November

Year 4 - Friday 8th and 15th December



Our Golden moments this week



And finally.....

Thank you for your continued support and positive feedback.

Thank you to the teaching staff who continue to work hard to achieve flying high aspirations.

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who are giving up their time this Saturday to improve our school environment.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Jordan-Gill

## Calendar Dates Autumn 2023

Date	Time	Event
OCTOBER		
Monday 9th October	3.30-5.30	Parent consultations for Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 and 4.
Friday 6th October	3.15	Year 2 cake sale
Friday 13th October	9.00	Read to a relative or friend Year 2 cake sale
Tuesday 10th October	3.30-5.30	Parent consultations for Reception, Year 2, 3 and 4.
Monday 16th October	3.30-5.30	Parent consultation Year 1 only
Monday 16th October		Food and Festivals Week.
Wednesday 18th October		Year 2 Literacy Festival Event - more details to follow
Thursday 19th October	5- 6.30	Year 3 visit to the tank museum Halloween Disco
Friday 20th October	3.15	Pre-school cake sale
NOVEMBER		
Friday 3rd November	3.15	Year 1 cake sale
Thursday 9th November		Artreach workshop for Year 3 Performance at village hall.
Friday 10th November	3.15	Year 1 cake sale
Friday 17th November	3.15	Reception cake sale
Friday 24th November	3.15	Reception cake sale
DECEMBER		
Friday 1st December	5.30-7	Christmas Fayre
Friday 8th December	3.15	Year 4 cake sale
Friday 8th December		Christmas Performance Dress Rehearsal
Monday 11th December	5.30	Christmas Performance
Tuesday 12th December	5.30	Christmas Performance
Friday 15th December		Christmas Party Day Year 2 cake sale