

Broadmayne First School Weekly Reminder

Week Beginning: Monday 25th November

Whole School Reminders:



I have a can do attitude (self belief)

- **R**: I know what it means by having a 'can do' attitude.
- 1: I can show my 'can do' attitude by having a go at something new.
- 2: I can maintain a 'can do' attitude when things go wrong
- 3: I can show my 'can do' attitude by persevering
- 4: I can explain what I can achieve with a 'can do' attitude

Christmas Fair Donations

FABS are still accepting donations of jolly jars, wine, chocolates and presents for the Christmas Fair. Thank you for your generous support.

Nativity Tickets

Please look out for your Nativity ticket email sent earlier this week. Tickets should be applied for online via the link in the email communication. Tickets cannot be ordered from the school office.

Reception

Words of the day this week: Sick, sock, kick, pack, tuck. Every day the children learn a new word to add to their vocabulary.

Phonics: During phonics this week we will be focusing on learning the sounds 'zz', 'qu', and 'ch" and revisiting the tricky words that we have learned so far. Please continue to practise the sounds and words at home as well as reading with your child and practising writing their name. Please remember to write in their reading diary as they will be receiving reading certificates! The children are having a really good go at writing sentences and are really enjoying it, have a go at home- remember those finger spaces!

Drawing Club: In drawing club this week we will be be focusing on the

Moths: This week, the children will begin to explore composition by focusing on the preliminary

skills: the concept of 'wholes' and 'parts'. By investigating their own bodies and familiar toys they will begin to understand that whole things are often made up of smaller parts and that a whole is, therefore, bigger than its parts.

Topic: Our topic this half term is celebrations! We will be focusing on all things Christmas and we can't wait to decorate the classroom to make it Christmas ready! We will be looking at our own traditions and how countries around the world celebrate christmas.

PE: Our PE sessions are on a Thursday and we will now get changed into our PE kits. This week the children will be doing pilates.

Things to remember...

*Church visit this week.

*There are lots of jumpers and cardigans with no names, please make sure that they are labelled. *Please do not bring toys from home into school.

*Now the weather has turned, please make sure that your child has a warm coat (labelled). *Book bags need to be in school every day.

In other news...

On Wednesday 27th November, we will be visiting the church for our 'Journey to the Stable' experience. We are still in need of 3 more lovely parent helpers to support us with this event, please let us know if you can help. The church has prepared some lovely activities for the children. Thank you for your continued support.

We have sent out an email regarding nativity costumes, the children are already doing an amazing job in our rehearsals! This year we are sheep, please do not worry about purchasing costumes, something from the children's wardrobe will be fine. We have suggested a white top with black/brown leggings. These need to be in on Monday 2nd December.

Year 1

On Tuesday 26th November, we will be visiting the church for our 'Journey to the Stable' experience. We are still in need of 1 or 2 more lovely parent helpers to support us with this event. We will be leaving school at 9.05am and returning back to school by 11.30am. Please let us know asap if you are able to support us with this. Thank you!

Things to remember:

- Please ensure that your child is in school promptly on Tuesday as we will be leaving school at 9.05 to walk to the church.
- Ensure your child has a warm coat in school.
- Ensure your child's reading book and diary are in school every day.
- Make sure all clothing is named. Thank you!

The stage is now up and our Nativity rehearsals are in full swing! The children are working hard on their acting skills and we are also learning songs that the whole school will be singing during the nativity. All very exciting! Only a few of the children will need to provide a (VERY simple- don't panic!) costume for the nativity. We will be emailing those parents separately with further details very soon.

Here is what we will be up to when we are not singing or acting this week:

English: We have been really enjoying finding out facts about polar bears and have started to record some of these in the information books that we are making. We will continue to write polar bear facts in our books this week. In handwriting we are focusing on the ladder letter family of letters. We are also working very hard to make sure that our letter shapes sit on the line when we write!

Maths: We will look at dot patterns to 5 and use two sided counters to explore how many ways we can arrange the counters on the dots. We will then write matching number sentences to go with the dot patterns. We will also move on in our measuring learning. We will be learning the vocabulary associated with measuring mass; heavy, heavier and light, lighter.

Science: We will start learning about what materials are, and sort objects according to what they are made from.

Geography: We will continue to compare aerial views with maps and plans and will be drawing a plan of the classroom.

Art: We are busy crafting Christmas decorations for the classroom and the Christmas Fair.



Here's what we will be doing in Year 2 this week.

On Wednesday 27th November, we will be visiting the churches in Broadmayne for our 'Journey to the Stable' experience. Are there any willing parents who would love to join us for this? Please tell me if so! We will be leaving at 9.05 am and will be back by 11.30pm.

<u>Maths:</u>

In Maths this week we will be continuing our work on shape. So far we have looked more closely at 2D shapes and have begun to explore symmetry. This week we will continue our work on symmetry and begin to look a little more closely at 3D shapes. We have been learning the mathematical term for corners (vertex for one and vertices for more than one) and have been using this language daily when describing the properties of 2D shapes. Please continue to talk about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes with your children at home.

<u>English:</u>

In English, we will be continuing to learn more about the various ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. The children have started creating posters using information that they have collected during our whole class research sessions.

<u>Topic:</u>

Due to being busy creating our decorations for the Christmas Fayre we will be carrying our Science work forward into this week. This week we will be learning about Charles Macintosh, inventor of waterproof fabric. We will be learning more about the properties of waterproof fabric and carrying out our own experiment in different types of materials.

Computing:

In computing we will continue our topic on photography and will be looking more closely at the differences between portrait and landscape photographs.

<u>R.E:</u>

In R.E we will be looking at different Christmas cards and talking about the differences in the images on the front. We will be looking more closely at the Christmas cards that depict scenes from the story of Jesus' birth.

<u> P.E:</u>

Our P. E days are Monday and Wednesday and we will be continuing our units on Gymnastics and icombat.



Weekly news: What an eventful week. Thank you for your support with the WW1 Museum. The children were amazing and received lovely comments from other children and staff. I am very proud of the whole class.

On Tuesday 26th November, we will be visiting the church for our 'Journey to the Stable' experience. We will be leaving school at 1.05pm and returning back to school by 2:45pm. Are there 1 or 2 willing parents who would love to join us for this? Please let us know if you are able to support us with this. Thank you!

Our Christmas performance.

We will be innkeepers in the Nativity - I will send out a costume letter next week. Many thanks.

Maths: This week we will be learning how to use known facts to complete equations and make 2

exchanges when subtracting..

English: Once we have finished our non-chronological reports we will be starting a new book. **History**: We will be learning about the role women played in WW1.

PE: We will be starting rehearsals next week so we will be fitting in gymnastics where possible. Football will still be on Friday with Trevor, weather permitting. Please ensure that the children have **warm clothing** for football.

Art: We missed our learning this week so we will be looking at landscapes from some WW1 artists -Paul and John Nash next week.

Science: We will be looking at silhouettes and linking this with WW1 and art.

Computing: We will continue learning about moving pictures and how to animate still drawings.

<u>Reminders:</u>

- Please ensure your child has a warm coat in school.
- Make sure reading books are in school everyday.
- Make sure all PE kit and school uniform is clearly named.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Year 4 🛭 🧃

Weekly news:

On Tuesday 26th November, we will be visiting the churches in Broadmayne for our 'Journey to the Stable' experience. Are there any willing parents who would love to join us for this? Please tell me if so! We will be leaving at 10.35am and will be back by 12.15pm.

A few afternoons will be taken up by preparing for the Christmas Fayre. We will be making decorations.

If you have any contributions for our Liberty Box advent calendars, please bring them in as soon as possible so we can make lots of money for our school!

Thank you for packing your child a fruit or vegetable snack for snack times. This system has really worked well.

Lastly, some children are coming into school without coats. Please ensure your child has a coat as it is cold now.

English: We will be continuing our work based on the book, Rhythm of the Rain. We have had a slight change in the children's final piece of writing but this has to remain top secret until next week! In **Guided Reading**, our focus will be on persuasive texts. In **SPaG**, we will be looking at common exception words and practising how to spell them.

Maths: In Maths, we are exploring the relationship between the 3, 6 and 9 x table.

History: We are very excited as the children will be learning about life in an Anglo Saxon village. They will use their knowledge to design their own village, thinking about what the community would have looked like. Our **DT** is linked to history as we are designing and creating our own Anglo Saxon brooches.

Music: We will be composing our own body percussion piece!

PE: The children will be doing football with Trevor on Friday afternoon. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school at all times. As the stage will be going up soon, we may have to move outside for our Wednesday PE slot!!