



Broadmayne First School Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is Forgiveness Our HeartSmart focus is: Don't hold on to what's wrong!

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Things to remember:

- Please send in books for the World Book Week School Book Swap!

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to school after the half term holiday - I hope you all had the opportunity to have a break at some point over the week!

Office Hours Update

At school we try to accommodate our families as much as possible, and we understand that there are times when you need to let us know something and it isn't possible to contact us during school hours (as a working parent I know only too well what this is like!)

However, I do need to protect the office staff and their workload, and there seems to be a rise in communications in the evening and weekends requiring action.

Going forwards, the office working hours are **8.30am until 4pm** and emails and/or phone calls will not be replied to until **the next working day**. Please do not email with requests for things such as Breakfast Club or Cool Kids for the next day as staff will not be able to respond or take any action after 4pm.

School Council Request

The School Council have been discussing the recent events in Syria and Turkey, and have decided they would like to do something to help. In order to act quickly, they will be running a collection in aid of the earthquake appeal every morning next week - you will see them out on the playground with collection boxes so please bring along a little spare change to donate if you can!

World Book Week

Mrs Norman has asked me to reshare the information about World Book Week which begins next week, with the theme of Celebrating Diversity. There will be lots of activities taking place across the week, the dates for your diaries are as follows:

On **Monday 27th February** we will be enjoying Books at Bedtime. Starting at 5.30pm we invite children to come back to school with their parents and carers to enjoy listening to some bedtime stories and a hot chocolate and biscuit. Everyone (staff included!) will be in their pyjamas and dressing gowns to make this a really warm and cosy event! Adults are asked to stay - there will be hot drinks and cake available in the hall while you are waiting for your children.

On **Tuesday 28th February**, we are planning on holding a book swap for the children in school. We would like as many children as possible to bring in one or more books that they would be happy to swap for another book



from someone else. **These books need to come into school as soon as possible to allow us to get the swap ready for the children!**

On **Wednesday 1st March** we will be holding one of popular Read with a Friend or Relative sessions starting at 9am - meet in the hall. Bring along a book you would like to share, or choose one from the school library!

On **Thursday 2nd March** it is World Book Day and we are excited to be welcoming into school [Alexander D Great](#), who will be working with all our classes celebrating Caribbean calypso, rhymes and stories. We will be ending our day of work with him with a celebratory assembly which we hope to record and share with you all afterwards.

On **Friday 3rd March** we are asking everyone to come to school dressed as a word that describes you, for instance perhaps you are flamboyant, sporty or a fantastic guitarist... How could you dress to express yourself?

FABS Update

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the School Disco just before half term - everyone had a great time!

The next date for your diaries is an **Easter Bingo**, which will be held on **Thursday 23rd March**. On Monday 20th March we will be inviting children to come into school with a small chocolate donation for the bingo.

We are all looking forward to next week as we always do when World Book Week comes along. The love of reading is at the very heart of our curriculum and it is always a joy to focus on it even more than usual! Please do try to come along to our events so we can help our children continue to foster their love of books and the pleasure they can bring to our lives.

Yours faithfully
Mrs Collings

Calendar Dates Spring Term 2023

Date	Time	Event
FEBRUARY		
Monday 27th	5.30pm	World Book Week begins Books at Bedtime
Tuesday 28th		School Book Swap - please bring in suitable books for swapping as soon as possible!
MARCH		
Wednesday 1st	9am 9am 6.30pm	Read with a Friend or Relative Y4 DASP Music Concert Rehearsal at THS Y4 DASP Music Concert at THS
Thursday 2nd		Alexander D Great in school all day
Monday 13th		Start of Science Week
Tuesday 14th	9.30am	Y4 trip to Bovington Tank Museum - details to follow
Friday 17th		Comic Relief
Monday 20th March		Parent/teacher evenings Reception and Year 4 begin- further information to follow Bring a chocolate donation for the FABS Easter Bingo
Wednesday 22nd	9.15am	Reception class assembly DASP Collaborative writing celebration
Thursday 23rd	6pm	FABS Easter Bingo Extravaganza
Friday 24th		Written reports Years 1,2 and 3
Wednesday 29th		Year 4 depart for Hooke Court residential trip
Friday 31st		Year 4 return from Hooke Court residential trip LAST DAY OF TERM