

Broadmayne First School Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is: Be Respectful. We are focusing on Friendship

Our HeartSmart focus is: Fake is a Mistake

Our British Value this half term is: Tolerance

Friday 23rd May 2025 Summer Term Newsletter 2

Things to remember:

• Please ensure that children come to school with a sun hat, plenty of water and have had sun cream applied.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we wrap up this short but sweet summer half term, it has been a joy to reflect on all the wonderful moments we've shared and experienced together. Here are just a few highlights:

- VE Day celebrations
- Little Seedlings achieving the RHS Level 1 award
- Year 3 trips to Poole Lighthouse and Wessex Wild
- Maypole Dancing in Brewery Square
- Year 4 embracing Athletics and creating excellent 3D Mayan masks.
- Reception and Year 1 having a visit from the Bug Man
- The Year 3 Assembly
- Year 2 showing excéllent tennis skills and writing excellent explanation texts on moths.

As well as teaching Year 2, I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching Reception over the last 2 weeks – watching the children grow in confidence, curiosity, and skill has been a real highlight. It has also been lovely to celebrate with children when they visit my office to show me their great work – those visits always brighten the day!

VE Day celebrations

The children had a wonderful time celebrating 80 Years of VE day. Everyone contributed to a striking wall banner, filled with poppies, union jacks, and messages of peace and remembrance. We explored wartime life by following authentic World War II recipes—baking treats that were both delicious and true to the era. The school was filled with the sounds of classic wartime songs, which the children sang with great enthusiasm. We

















rounded off the day with a fantastic street party on the field, complete with bunting, dancing, and a strong sense of community. It was a memorable way to honour the past and celebrate together.

Parents Evening

The recent Parents Evening was a great success, with a strong turnout and a warm, supportive atmosphere. Teachers especially appreciated the positive comments they received from families, as they don't often get to hear such affirming feedback directly. It was a valuable opportunity to celebrate childrens' progress and strengthen the home-school connection. Looking ahead, end-of-school reports will be issued during the week beginning 14th July, providing a comprehensive overview of each student's achievements throughout the year.



Staffing Update

As we approach the end of the academic year, we have some important staffing news to share. After many years of dedicated service, Mrs Howells and Mrs Norman will be stepping off the Broadmayne bus as they retire from teaching. They have both been invaluable to the school community, and I personally want to thank them for the

incredible support they have shown me as a new Headteacher. Their experience, warmth, and commitment will be deeply missed by staff, pupils, and families alike.

Looking ahead, we're excited to welcome Sinead Alton onto the Broadmayne bus. Sinead brings a wealth of enthusiasm, and we're very much looking forward to her joining our team and contributing to the vibrant life of our school. Sinead was the favourite teacher that the Year 2 children got to meet and their opinions were highly valued. A huge thank you to Year 2 who not only helped with the appointment of the new class teacher but had to be taught writing lessons the whole day by lots of different teachers.

Historically, our staffing structure has remained quite consistent, but this year we will be making some changes to class allocations. These changes are designed to best meet the evolving needs of our children and to support the ongoing professional development of our teachers. We believe this will bring fresh energy to our classrooms and continue to strengthen the excellent teaching and learning across the school. I will update you of these changes after the holidays.

<u>Maypole</u>

On Saturday 3rd May, 15 children took part in the Spring in the Square celebration at Brewery Square. Our children had only a week to learn how to maypole and they did us so proud. We had a lovely email from the organisers,















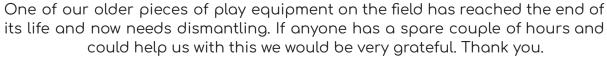




'It was great to see the square so alive with energy and excitement and your efforts played a huge part in making the event such a success. We have received so much positive feedback from attendees, residents and surrounding businesses and truly appreciate the time and effort you, your team and the children put into participating.'

A huge thank you to Lizzie, Emily and Nicky who gave up a week of afternoons to teach the children how to dance. It was fantastic and we hope to get the Maypole out again very soon!

Help please! Working Party for Broken Bridge







Lunch Orders for after Half-Term

Just a reminder that the Summer Menu 2 is now live. All meal orders must be placed 7 days in advance at;

<u>Local Food Links</u> Summer 2 Menu

Once you have ordered, please go to the "order page" to check your orders are showing as expected.

Sunscreen

Please remember to apply sunscreen and send your children to school with a (named!) hat every day. Please teach your children how to reapply their own sunscreen during the day if needed (for example after a morning swimming lesson) and we will remind them and make time for them to do this.

Swimming Pool Update

Our friends in the FABS have worked tirelessly over the past few weeks to get the pool ready for swimming after half term. You should have been contacted by each class teacher to let you know which days your child will be swimming, and to give permission for the wearing of goggles - if you have not received this information, please contact the class teachers. The first week back after half term we will be concentrating on water safety and the rules and behaviour expected around the pool. We are really looking forward to having the pool open for the remainder of the academic year.















Attendance Matters

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Our whole school attendance last week was: 93.87 %

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
97.92 %	93.97 %	93.06 %	93.89 %	91.94 %

Whole school year to date is: 94.43 %

Reading Rocks at Broadmayne!



A huge thank you to everyone who has bought books from our Amazon Book wish list. We are so lucky to have such supportive families as well as the local community who have donated. The wish list will continue to be updated and new books will be added to the library. If you would like to have a look at our wish list, here is the link: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1Y97YF0C5A9V2?ref_=wl_share.

Class Group Photos

Tuesday 3rd June is Class Photo Day. Please ensure the children are in full school uniform with shoes or black trainers for our whole class photos.





Tax-Free Childcare

What is it? Tax-Free Childcare is a government scheme that helps working parents with the cost of childcare.

How does it work?

- For every £8 you pay into your childcare account, the government adds £2.
- You can receive up to £2,000 per child per year (£4,000 for disabled children).

Eligibility:

- Both parents must be working (or the single parent in a single-parent household).
- Each parent must earn at least £152 per week but less than £100,000 per year.

















• Your child must be under 12 (or under 17 if disabled).

How to apply:

- 1. Create an online childcare account at GOV.UK.
- 2. Pay money into your account.
- 3. Use the account to pay your registered childcare provider.

Benefits:

- Helps reduce childcare costs.
- Flexible use for various types of childcare (nurseries, childminders, after-school clubs, etc.).

Important Notes:

- You cannot use Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as childcare vouchers or Universal Credit.
- Ensure your childcare provider is registered with the scheme.



Mini Ballers

The group are running their May Half Term Soccer Camp - here is the link to book your child onto the camp https://mb-mini-ballers.classforkids.io/camp/27

And finally,

Thank you for your continued support as we 'fly high' here at Broadmayne. Have a wonderful half term holiday.

Best wishes, Mrs Jordan-Gill

Date	Time	Event
Monday 26th		HALF TERM
JUNE 2025		
Monday 2nd		Children return to school
Tuesday 3rd	AM	Class photographs















Wednesday 4th	AM	Year 3 travel to visit The Kingfisher Trust Project	
	5.30	New parents & Carers Meeting for Sept 25 intake	
Sunday 8th June	8.30	FABS Big Broadmayne Breakfast	
Monday 9th		Year 4 Multiplication screen takes place this week Year 1 Phonics Screen takes places this week	
Friday 13th	9.30	Year R visit the Wessex Wild Farm	
	TBC	FABS Family Sports evening	
Monday 16th		SPORTS WEEK	
Wednesday 18th June	1.30	SPORTS DAY	
Friday 20th	12.30	Football Festival	
Friday 27th	TBC	FABS host 'Would I Lie to you' Evening	
JULY 2025			
Tuesday 1st July		Transfer Day	
Wednesday 2nd July	2.15	Rocksteady mini concert for parents of children involved	
		NO COOL KIDS TODAY	
Monday 7th	2.30	Michelle Hubble's musicians Concert	
Monday 14th July	2pm	End of Year Show - details to follow	
Tuesday 15th July	9.30	End of Year Show - details to follow	
Wednesday 16th July	2pm	End of Year Show - details to follow	
Thursday 17th July	9.30	End of Year Show - details to follow	
Tuesday 22nd July	9.10	Year 4 Leavers Assembly - Parents & Carers welcome	
	2.00	END OF TERM. School finishes at 2pm.	













