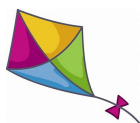


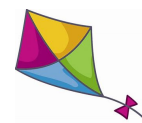


Broadmayne First School Weekly Reminder

Week Beginning: 1st December



Whole School Reminders:



This week we will be 'flying high' by focusing on our school Value: **Be Safe**.

We will get stars in our jar by showing **Truthfulness**

We are **Safe** when we show **Trust**.

In our assemblies we will be focusing on:

- Knowing our friends will support us.
- Standing by our promises
- Being trustworthy, not gossiping.
- Trusting each other

Heart Smart: Don't forget to let love in

British Value: Democracy

Whole School Reminders

- School photos - free post & packing deadline is Tues 2nd Dec
- School play costumes - please see individual class information for details

Reception

Phonics: We continue to revisit set 2, with an increasing focus on blending sounds to read short words. This week our focus sounds will be c, k, and ck. You can learn more about phonics on our school website, where you can also find some helpful resources. Go to 'Our Curriculum', 'Phonics' and scroll down for Reception specific resources!

Writing: As writers, we will be listening to the story of Jesus' Christmas Party. This fun interpretation will help us develop our understanding of the nativity story. We will continue to focus on hearing and writing the sounds in CVC words (consonant vowel consonant) - think hat, red, cup, log!

Maths: As mathematicians, we will be exploring shapes with four sides. We will be naming them, noticing them in the environment and talking about their properties. We have been exploring

prepositions. Using a teddy, why not support your child to use prepositional language such as 'under', 'on', 'behind' and 'in'. Move the teddy around a box and see what words your child chooses to use!

Topic:

Let's Celebrate - We had a wonderful trip to the church last week - thank you to our wonderful volunteers. The children loved seeing all of the angels and their behaviour was *impeccable*. Please send your child's sheep costumes into school in a named plastic bag which we will store on their pegs.

Things to remember...

It's getting colder! Lots of the children can put on their coats independently, the next challenge is to have a go at the zips by themselves!

You might have noticed some changes in our outside area recently! A huge thank you to the volunteers who gave up their time in very challenging weather. We are incredibly lucky and very grateful - *Mrs Sweeney, Mrs Barker and Miss Barnes*.

Year 1

We had a lovely trip to the church - I was so proud of the children's polite and respectful manners. They interacted well, enjoyed suggesting ideas and we loved seeing the amazing angels!

Here is what we will be getting up to next week:

English: We are applying our knowledge of the features of non chronological reports to writing our own.

Phonics: We will continue with our 'choose to use' learning focussing upon: wr, ph, au, gn

Maths: We are exploring 2d shapes this week.

Science: We continue looking at seasonal changes.

Geography: We are learning the names of the continents and the oceans of the world.

Most of our afternoons will be taken up with play rehearsals.

Things to remember

- Please check your child's bag for information about costumes for the Nativity. Please bring in your Nativity costume in a named bag by Wednesday 3rd December. Our dress rehearsal is on Friday 5th December.

Year 2

Year 2 had a wonderful time at the church listening to the story being told to us and celebrating the angels that the school had made. Thank you all for coming and celebrating the Christmas fayre with us. All the trees look amazing, a wonderful effort from all year groups.

Maths: In year 2, we are completing our unit on shape by identifying some real-world examples of 3D shapes and thinking deeper around the properties of traditional shapes.

English: Our little journalists have started to plan their writing on the topic of reducing materials (electricity, water and plastic). We will be looking at reusing materials next in our learning. The children are challenged to write using expanded noun phrases and using a range of sentence types to make our writing engaging.

We are learning to spell: even, whole

Heartsmart: This week, the children will be writing an acrostic poem about themselves using words that describe their character. They will help each other write, using others ideas of themselves.

P.E: Dance (Tuesday), Football (Thursday).

Reminders:

Cold weather - please make sure your children are wrapping up warm and are bringing a coat to school. We have lots of spare jumpers in the classroom that are unclaimed if they need to borrow one.

Costumes for the play - if your child has their costume ready for the Christmas performance, please bring this in, in a named bag so that we can ensure all children have one ready for the dress rehearsals and final performances.

Thank you all, Year 2 team.

Year 3

Weekly news: Year 3 enjoyed their visit to the Methodist Church particularly looking at the amazing angels.

Our learning this week -

Maths: This week we are looking at the 3x table. We will be practising multiplying and dividing by 3 and looking at the pattern in identifying multiples of 3. We will then start looking at the 4x table.

English: This week we will be using adjectives in similes to make comparisons in our descriptions.

We are learning to spell: This week we are looking at words with a spelling pattern of 'que'

making a /k/ sound - antique, boutique, cheque, discotheque, mosque, opaque, physique, picturesque, technique, unique. We will be learning what these words mean and focusing on how they look ready for spelling next week.

Heartsmart: Our Heartsmart this week is about Growing Gratitude. We will be thinking about what we are grateful for and how we can show gratitude to others.

History: We will be looking at the tools and weapons that Stone Age people made and how these were developed through the different periods.

PE: Our Monday PE time will now be a dance rehearsal for the Christmas performance. The football session with Trevor will run as normal on Friday. Please ensure that children have warm clothing and appropriate footwear which they can change into, so that we are not bringing mud back into the school afterwards.

Reminders:

Cold weather - please make sure your children are wrapping up warm and are bringing a coat to school.

I have sent out a costume slip for the children. Please can costumes come into school in a named bag by Friday 5th Dec ready for our dress rehearsal. Many thanks.

Year 4

Year 4 have been full of Christmas spirit already this week as our rehearsals for the Christmas play have gone into full swing!

The children had a wonderful time at the church listening to the story being told to us and celebrating the angels that the school had made. Thank you all for coming and celebrating the Christmas fayre with us. All the trees look amazing!

A snippet of our learning next week:

English: In English next week we are going to be writing our persuasive letters to Mrs Jordan Gill to persuade her why rain is so important and why we need to save water. The children will be incorporating all of the persuasive writing techniques that they have learnt this half term so far. Will they be successful in persuading Mrs Jordan Gill?

We are learning to spell: Breathe, Imagine, Knowledgeable, Minute, Promise, Purpose, Sentence, Strange and Therefore.

Maths: We will be finishing off the first part of our multiplication and division unit this week. The children have really enjoyed learning hints and tricks to help them when solving multiplication and division problems. The children will be using bar models to help them solve multiplication and division problems. If you would like to work with your children at home, we have been recapping the 1, 3, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables.

R.E: In R.E we will continue to look deeper into the Christmas story and consider our enquiry question: What is the most significant part of the Nativity for Christians today. We will also think about whether everyone's opinions about this will be the same and what this means.

ART: In Art this week the children will be getting creative and having a go at painting their own interpretation of a Monet!

PE: We will continue Dance (Tuesday PM) and Football (Friday PM)

Music: We will use our music sessions this week to practise our songs for the Christmas play.

Reminders:

Please could costumes for the play be brought in in clearly named bags by Wednesday ready for our dress rehearsal on Friday.