



# Broadmayne First School Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is: Truthfulness. Our HeartSmart focus is: Don't forget to let love in

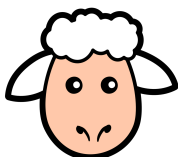
Friday 19th December  
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Things to remember:

- Monday 5th January is an INSET day. We return to school on Tuesday 6th January.

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to begin this edition of the newsletter with an apology for the delay in getting it to you. The winter flu bug has unfortunately taken its toll on our staff, and much of my time has been spent covering classes to ensure learning has continued smoothly. While this has been a challenge, it has also been a joy to step back into the classroom and be reminded of the very reasons I came into education in the first place. I am deeply grateful to our children and staff for their resilience and determination in working through these shortages, and we are all looking forward to a well-deserved rest as the term draws to a close. Finally, a heartfelt thank you to our parents for your kind well wishes and patience during this time—it has meant a great deal to us.



## Lights, Camera, Action - The Fleece Force

Our recent Christmas performance of The Fleece Force was nothing short of wonderful. The children were truly amazing, showing great talent and enthusiasm on stage. Despite the challenges of winter illness and the need for last-minute stand-ins, they pulled together brilliantly to deliver 4 excellent shows that captured the festive spirit. We are so proud of their creativity and teamwork, and we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents who came along to support the performance—your presence made the occasion even more special.

## Rick Whittington Pantomime

As a special reward for all their hard work and dedication in preparing the Christmas play, the children were treated to a fantastic pantomime performance of Rick Whittington. It was a wonderful way to celebrate their efforts, and the laughter and excitement in the hall showed just how much they enjoyed the show.

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### Well done Ollie,



A huge well done to Ollie in Year 1 who was 'highly commended' by Local Food Links for his Christmas jumper design. It was fabulous. I look forward to hearing how you spent your £10 gift voucher.

### Well done Teddy and Joni!



In newsletter 4, we were delighted to share news of the poetry competition held to celebrate the launch of the wonderful new bookstore, *Teasel and Skylark*. We are now thrilled to announce that Teddy in Year 2 and Joni in Year 4 have been chosen as winners! Their creativity and talent shone through, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievement. A huge congratulations to Teddy and Joni — well done!



### Another successful Christmas Fayre

I would like to extend a huge Christmas thank you to FABS for organising such a wonderful Christmas Fayre. The event was full of festive cheer, and it was lovely to see our school community come together to celebrate. From the stalls to the activities, everything was beautifully arranged and created a joyful atmosphere for children, parents, and staff alike. We are so grateful for the hard work, time, and dedication that went into making the Fayre such a success.

### Class Christmas Tree Winners



This year's Christmas competition was a wonderful showcase of creativity and festive spirit! Every year the children work hard to decorate their trees, and the handmade crafts were truly impressive. The hall was filled with sparkle, colour, and imagination.

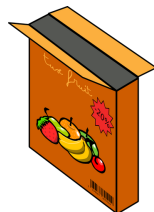
To make things even more exciting, we asked parents to cast their votes with coins and notes. The totals raised were:

- Reception: £6.02
- Year 1: £5.56
- Year 2: £2.75
- Year 3: £8.02
- Year 4: £7.90

✨ With an incredible £8.02 collected, Year 3 were crowned the winners! ✨

A huge well done to Year 3 for their brilliant tree and crafts, and thank you to all the children, staff, and parents who made this festive tradition so special.

### Breakfast Club



Just a friendly reminder that breakfast is served from 7:45–8:25 a.m.

Please note that children arriving after 8:30am won't be able to have breakfast.

Thank you so much for helping us get the day off to a great start!

### Christmas Jumper Day - Save the Children



Everyone looked very festive in their jumpers for Christmas Jumper Day and we raised **£50.71** which will be donated to Save The Children UK. Thank you for your support.



### Cool Kids Closure

Please note that, due to whole-school training, Cool Kids will not be available on **Monday 19th January**. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation, and we thank you for making alternative arrangements for this date.

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Our whole school attendance last week was : **88.97%**

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
92.36%	91.67%	80.83%	91.37%	89.58%



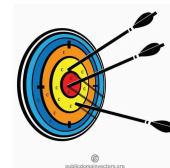
### Action For Children - Parenting Support

We know that parenting can sometimes feel overwhelming, and it's important to know where to find guidance and support when needed. We'd like to highlight the resources available through Action for Children's Dorset Services, which provide practical advice and professional support for families. [Action For Children - Parents](#)

The website offers a wide range of information to help parents navigate challenges and build confidence in supporting their children. As a school, we are also able to make referrals to these services should parents wish, ensuring that support is accessible when it's needed most.

### Snap Shots and Attendance Reports

This week, children have brought home their termly snapshots, which provide an overview of their progress towards end-of-year targets. These snapshots also highlight each child's attendance and attitudes to learning, giving families a clear picture of how they are doing both academically and personally. In addition, attendance certificates have been handed out too. If you have any questions or would like further clarification, please contact Mrs Wooldridge in the school office.



### Office opening - January 2025

We would like to share some updates regarding our school office. The office will now be open from 8:30am to 3:30pm each day. Alongside this change, we are delighted to welcome two new members of staff to our admin team. Mrs Williams will be working in the office on Mondays and Fridays, while Mrs Wooldridge will adjust her days to Tuesday through Thursday. In addition, we are pleased to announce that Mrs Protopsaltis will be joining the team later in January. We look forward to the valuable support they will bring to our school community.

### Christmas Trees

Our Outdoor Adventurers group will be making creative use of Christmas trees after the festivities. To help them with their exciting projects, we kindly ask that if you have any real trees that need disposing of that they are neatly placed along the grass edge of the car park. This way, they'll be ready for collection and repurposing into outdoor activities that continue the festive spirit well into the new year.



### Football Club & Mini Ballers – Shin Pads Required

A quick reminder that all children attending Trevor's Football Club and Mini Ballers must wear shin pads. This is to ensure everyone's safety and to comply with health and safety requirements.

Please make sure shin pads are worn to each session so children can take part fully and safely. Thank you for your support.

### Good luck Mrs Foyle!



We would like to take this opportunity to wish Mrs Foyle our very best wishes as she steps off the Broadmayne Bus and begins her exciting new adventures. While we are incredibly happy for her, she will be missed greatly by everyone in our school community. Mrs Foyle's endless devotion to the school, the countless hours she has dedicated—often unpaid, and her willingness to always go the extra mile for children, families, and staff alike have meant more than words can say. Thank you, Mrs Foyle, for everything you have given to Broadmayne—you leave a lasting legacy and a huge hole in our hearts.

And finally....

As we come to the end of this term, we would like to thank all our families for your continued support. We wish you a very merry and magical Christmas, filled with joy, laughter, and special moments. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year!



Best wishes,  
Mrs Jordan-Gill