



Broadmayne First School and Nursery Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is: We are kind when we show Generosity
Our HeartSmart focus is: Get HeartSmart!
Our British Value is: Mutual respect and tolerance.

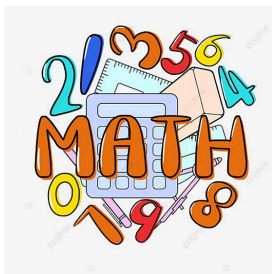
Things to remember:

- Friday 9th - Whole school church visit for Harvest Festival
 - Hello Yellow Day- the children can add a splash of yellow to their school uniforms, such as a badge, pair of socks, hair band, hat or something similar.
- Broadmayne First School and Nursery Open day - Saturday 24th October - 11am-2pm

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter. As always, it has been a busy and exciting time at school, filled with wonderful learning opportunities, community support, and new faces. We are delighted to share some key highlights, updates, and upcoming events with you in this edition.

Maths Monday



Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us for Maths Monday! We had an amazing turnout, and it was lovely to see so many of you getting involved, joining in with the activities, and learning new maths skills alongside the children. Building on this fantastic support, our next session will be **Multiplication Madness** on **Friday 16th October at 9:00 AM**. We would love to see you there to explore more fun strategies together!

Flashback Friday - It is time to show off!

Mark your calendars for Friday 23rd October at 2:40 PM! Join us for our Flashback Friday session where you can step into your child's shoes, learn directly from the experts (our amazing children!), or test your knowledge in a fun quiz covering everything we've learned this half term.

**FLASH
BACK**



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matter



A warm welcome to our student teachers



Welcome to our two student teachers! We are delighted to give a warm welcome to Miss Crocker, who will be placed in Year 1, and Mr. Churchill, who will be in Year 4. They will be joining our team and spending the entire school year with us.

Thank you Tesco

We were thrilled to welcome representatives from Tesco following our successful blue token appeal at the Dorchester store, where we were awarded a generous £500 grant. This fantastic donation is being put directly towards our new school polytunnel, which is scheduled to be built over the upcoming half-term holidays. Once completed, this new addition will offer our pupils hands-on opportunities to learn about growing plants, sustainability, and where their food comes from. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Tesco and to everyone in our community who supported us by dropping their blue tokens into our box!

Thank you!

Generosity and Kindness



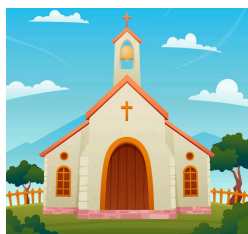
Our theme recently has been "being generous to be kind," with a focus on sharing, giving to others, giving our time, and speaking kind words. It has been inspiring to see the children put this into practice every day! A special well done to Ollie in Year 3, who proudly shared how he was generous with his time when he noticed someone on the playground with no one to play with and invited them to join in. Rosie in Year 3 was also generous with her words when she complemented me on my socks. Thank you, Ollie and Rosie for showing such thoughtful kindness!

Harvest Donation donations.

As part of our upcoming Harvest Festival celebrations, we are kindly asking for donations of dry goods to support our local community. We welcome items such as pasta, rice, cereal, canned food, and other non-perishable goods, which can be brought into school starting next week. St Martin's Church will be visiting us on **Thursday 8th October** to collect all of our donations and distribute them to those in need. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!



St Martin's Church Visit



We are delighted to announce our upcoming school visit to St Martin's Church on **Friday 9th October**. Our classes have been busily preparing songs, poems, and musical performances to showcase during the event. As always, to make this trip possible, we require adult volunteers to assist with walking the children safely to and from the church. If you are available and able to help, please let your child's class teacher know as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued support.

Harvest Festival Preparation with Mrs Austin

We have been enjoying some very special visits every Tuesday from Mrs Austin, a former headteacher from Broadmayne, who has been coming into school to help us prepare for our Harvest Festival. It has been wonderful to hear and practice classic hymns together, and the children are full of enthusiasm. We cannot wait to showcase our rendition of *Cauliflowers Fluffy* during our Harvest Festival.



Breakfast Club Bookings



Please be reminded that all children attending Breakfast Club must be booked in advance. Due to strict adult-to-child ratios, we are unable to accept any children who are not on the daily register, and unfortunately, unbooked children will have to be turned away. We kindly ask for your cooperation in ensuring your child is booked in prior to attending so that we can maintain a safe environment for everyone.

A polite reminder that **breakfast is served until 8:30 AM** so that our team can clean up and set up for our Soft Start sessions. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep Breakfast Club safe and smooth for

everyone.

Wear Something Yellow Day

On Friday 9th October, we will also be taking part in "Wear Something Yellow Day" to help raise awareness for YoungMinds and support children's mental health. We invite all children to accessorize their uniform with something yellow. This could include things like bright yellow socks, a hairband, badge or a hat!



Arbor App



We are delighted to share that **93%** of our parents and carers have now signed up for and are actively using the Arbor Parent App to keep track of their child's school life. The Arbor app serves as our

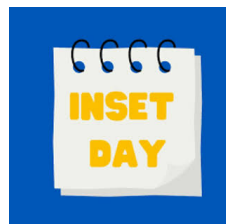
central hub for key school information, including attendance, messages, and updates. Please be reminded that all future school communications—including direct messages and emails from class teachers—will now be sent exclusively via Arbor. To ensure you do not miss any important notifications or teacher updates, please double-check that your registered email address and contact details are fully up to date within the app. Thank you for your continued support in helping us streamline and strengthen communication across our school community.

Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will be taking place on Wednesday 4th November and Wednesday 18th November (from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm). Appointments for these sessions will be bookable directly through the Arbor App. Further details and instructions on how to book your time slot will be sent out via Arbor shortly, so please keep an eye out for updates.



INSET Days for 2027/28



We can confirm that our INSET days in the academic year 2027/28 will be as follows:

1st, 2nd, 3rd September 2027, 21st February 2028, 5th June 2028

Attendance Matters

Our whole school attendance last week was : 95.46 %

Attendance Matters



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
91.23	96.25	97.18	96.79	96.30

And lastly.....

Thank you to Mrs Denning who continues to plant wonderful flowers in our pots outside our entrance. It really does brighten up our path.

Thank you to Mrs Chant who has worked really hard to sort and organise our library. It looks fantastic!

Thank you to every parent who says hello and goodbye at the school gates. It really does brighten up my day.

Best wishes,
Mrs Jordan-Gill

26-27 Dates for the diary

Date	Time	Event
OCTOBER		
Week Beginning: Monday 5th October		Harvest Festival donations - please bring these in this week and hand to class teacher
Thursday 8th October		Guinness World Record for Reading Online
Friday 9th October		HELLO YELLOW DAY Wear Something Yellow to school Children visiting St Martin's Church for Harvest Festival
Wednesday 14th October	9.30 - 12:00	Year 2 children visiting Thomas Hardy for Author visit
Thursday 15th October	9.30 - 12:00	Year 4 children visiting Thomas Hardy for Author visit
Friday 16th October	9:00	Multiplication Madness - parents are invited in to watch and take part in our focused multiplication lessons
Monday 19th October		Safe and Healthy Me Week.
Friday 23rd October	2:40	Flashback Friday - Parents are invited into classrooms to learn about our learning this half term.
Saturday 24th October	11:00 - 2:00	Open Day - parents, families and friends are invited to come and see our wonderful school

Monday 26th October		HALF TERM
Monday 2nd November		INSET DAY Friendship Week
Tuesday 3rd November		Children return to school.
Wednesday 4th November	3:30 - 6:00pm	Parent Consultations
Monday 9th November		School Photo Day
Wednesday 18th November	3:30 - 6:00pm	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th November		Class visits to Christmas Through Trees at St Martins Church
Friday 27th November		Christmas Fayre
Friday 4th December	9:00	Multiplication Madness - parents are invited in to watch and take part in our focused multiplication lessons
Wednesday 9th December	2:00	Rock Steady Concert
Thursday 10th December		Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 11th December	1:30	Beauty and the Beast Pantomime
Tuesday 15th December	9.30	Reception and Year 1 Nativity Performance
Wednesday 16th December	1.30	Reception and Year 1 Nativity Performance
Thursday 17th December		Whole School Carol Service
Friday 18th December		Christmas Party Day

Broadmayne First School Term Dates

2027/28

AUTUMN TERM 2027

Wednesday 1st September	INSET day
Thursday 2nd September	INSET day
Friday 3rd September	INSET day
Monday 6th September	All children return to school

HALF TERM MONDAY 25TH OCTOBER - FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER

Monday 1st November	All children return to school
Friday 17th December	2027 term ends

SPRING TERM 2028

Tuesday 4th January	All children return to school
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HALF TERM MONDAY 14TH FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 18TH FEBRUARY

Monday 21st February	INSET DAY
Tuesday 22nd February	All children return to school
Friday 31st March	End of term

SUMMER TERM 2028

Tuesday 18th April	All children return to school
Mon 1st May	Bank Holiday

HALF TERM MONDAY 29TH MAY TO FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

Monday 5th June	INSET day
Tuesday 6th June	All children return to school
Friday 21st July	End of term

Inset days are days set aside for teacher training.
Children do not attend school on inset days