



Broadmayne First School Newsletter

Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Respectful

The value we are looking at this half term is Trust . Our HeartSmart focus is: Don't forget to let Love In

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Things to remember:

- Children in Need - come in your favourite fancy dress with a donation for Children in Need!
- Wear one bright thing to school on Wednesday, when we will be thinking about keeping ourselves safe when using the road
- The FABS Christmas Market is being held on Friday 3rd December-please see the flyer attached to this email

Dear Parents and Carers,

Autumn can be a beautiful time of year, with some lovely clear and crisp weather and lots to enjoy outside, but I know many of us are feeling increasingly tired and frustrated to not yet be at the end of what has often been a very challenging time, and certainly I know the staff at school are disappointed that we are not yet clear of COVID related restrictions. I have included some updates on this below - if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch and I will do my best to answer them.

COVID Update

Public Health South West have informed us that due to the ongoing rise in cases in the local area, schools are being asked to continue with the higher level of restrictions we re-introduced after half term. This means that we will continue to ask you **not** to come into the school unless it is for an urgent matter, and to please wear a mask if you do so.

The school will review the measures within the building and adjust them as necessary.

Christmas and Nativity Update

With the news from Public Health about the continuing rise in infection rates I feel I must warn you all that it is highly likely that we will not be able to invite parents and carers in to watch the performances of the nativity this December.

If this is the case we will film the nativity and release it on our school Youtube channel. We are also investigating placing the film onto DVD to sell to our families for a nominal amount. **Please note that if you have said no to your child's image being included on our Youtube channel they will not be included in the filming.**

If you would like them to be included, please let us know and we will amend our records accordingly.

As parents and carers from last year will tell you, the Youtube channel is private to the school only, and cannot be searched for. We send out a link to the film to our families, and only those with the link can access the film. This worked really well for us last year.



If we cannot perform the play to an audience, we are planning an outdoor carol concert for our families-more details to follow nearer the time. We also have an online pantomime for our children to enjoy. This will be available for families to watch once the children have watched it in school, and is happening alongside our usual festive treats, meals and parties in the final week. No matter what restrictions are in place, our children will have a lovely experience of the festive season at Broadmayne!

Safe and Healthy Me Week

Teachers will have shared with you their plans for making the most of Safe and Healthy Me week. Throughout the week (which sometimes spills over into two weeks!) children will have lots of opportunities to learn about how to keep themselves and those around them safe and well, including visits from our local police, teaching about road safety, looking at healthy choices when eating, thinking about the whole body benefits of exercise building on our understanding of mental health, and revisiting the NSPCC PANTS learning. We deliberately timetable this week to coincide with Anti-Bullying week and Road Safety Week as they fit so well alongside this.

The NSPCC PANTS resources are designed to teach children how to stay safe from abuse, without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. In the lessons children will learn about the PANTS acrostic, which stands for:

Privates are private

Always remember your body belongs to you

No means no

Talk about secrets that upset you

Speak up, someone can help

More information about the underwear rule, including a short video and a parent's guide, can be found at: nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule

The week began with wearing odd socks to launch anti-bullying week and we are asking that children **wear one bright thing** on Wednesday to school to represent our focus on road safety.

Cool Kids After School Club

I am currently reviewing our after-school provision, Cool Kids. I would like to know if there are any ways in which we can improve our offer to our families, and would be hugely grateful if you could complete the following very quick surveys - whether your child currently attends Cool Kids or not, I would be really interested to hear your views.

[Survey for those who currently attend Cool Kids](#)

[Survey for those who DO NOT currently attend Cool Kids](#)

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Collings

Calendar Dates- Autumn Term 2021

Date	Time	Event
NOVEMBER		
15th - 19th		Safe and Healthy Me Week
19th		Children in Need Day
DECEMBER		
Friday 3rd	6-8pm	Christmas Market
Friday 10th		Christmas Jumper /Dress as Christmas Day
Monday 13th	2pm 5.30pm	Proposed Christmas Play - restrictions allowing
Tuesday 14th	5.30pm	Proposed Christmas Play-restrictions allowing
Wednesday 15th		Local Food links Christmas Lunch Day
Friday 17th		Christmas Party Day LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM