



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a full first half term it has been. We have been very lucky with the weather but it feels that now we are turning the corner and the weather has become much more autumnal. Thank you for ensuring your children have the appropriate coats each day so that they can continue to enjoy the outdoors during playtimes.

Thank you all for your wonderful donations for the Worthing Foodbank that we collected as part of our Harvest celebration which was led by our year 3 children. They did a wonderful job of helping us all to understand how lucky we are to have access to such a wide variety of foods all year round. The foodbank was extremely grateful for all we were able to donate – thank you.

Across this term so far, I have really enjoyed seeing the enjoyment the children are showing in their learning, and the effort that they put into everything. As you can see from the class news below, there continues to be a fantastic range of wonderful learning opportunities provided across the whole school. A huge thank you as well to all parents who attended the parent/teacher meetings and also to those who took part in the maths information evenings. We want you to be as informed and as involved in your children's education as possible and so these events are really important.

I hope that you and your children have an enjoyable half term break and we look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 30th October.

God Bless,
Mr Morrissey

(To keep up with all of the news please see the school website.)

Diary Dates 2023

October

23-27 October - HALF TERM BREAK

Tues 31st Oct -Y6 workshop led by Novium Museum visitors

Tues 31st Oct – Y6 Deadline for WSCC online applications for High School

November

Weds 1st - Fri 3rd Nov - SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

Thurs 2nd Nov -YI visiting owls at school

Thurs 2nd Nov –Yrs 3-6 visiting Author at school

Thurs 2nd Nov – EY Bedtime Story (5.00-5.30pm)

Fri 3rd Nov – Duck & Hen Classes (a.m.) Walk around Broadwater

Tues 7th Nov -YI Dove Class Trip to Goodwood Education Centre

Weds 8th Nov -YI Robin Class Trip to Goodwood Education Centre

Thurs 16th Nov -YI visiting hedgehogs at school

Fri 17th Nov –Y5 Heron – Class Assembly for parents (9.00am)

Tues 21st Nov –YI Grandparents Tea Party

Weds 22nd Nov - Y4 Rainbow Theatre Workshop (Vikings)

Fri 24th Nov – EY Nursery Rhyme Dress Up Day

Thurs 30th Nov –Y2 ‘Knight’ Day

Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR R

Early Years celebrated their first six weeks at school with a fabulous finish at the jam tart tea party. The children from Ducks and Hens worked hard to make over 120 jam tarts for their friends and families. Wow! What a great end to their first term. Well done Ducks and Hens



YEAR 1



In art, Year 1 have been doing jelly prints with leaves for their 'Footsteps Through the Forest' topic

YEAR 2

Year Two had an excellent trip to Arundel Castle today! They learnt about the different parts of the castle and about the people who lived in the castle. We were impressed by how many facts the children could recall. They were also very inquisitive and asked hundreds of questions! What a great day!



YEAR 3

On Tuesday 26th September, we went to Marwell Zoo to look at the African animals. We also learnt about different animals skeletons and their purposes. It was a great day!



YEAR 4

Year 4 had a wonderful time seeing the Worthing Symphony Orchestra live in concert. They were treated to a variety of different classical music favourites and the conductor showcased the versatility of all the wonderful instruments that make up an orchestra, including the violin which they are currently loving learning with Mrs Gibbons. Well done year 4 for being such a fabulous, impeccably-behaved and engaged audience!



Year 4 visited Fishbourne Roman Palace this week to immerse themselves in the lives of the Romans in Britain. The highlight of the day as always at Fishbourne was the workshop, where they got to act like Romans by using a stone quern to grind wheat into flour, write their name using the Roman alphabet and create Roman mosaics amongst many other things.



YEAR 5

Year 5 have been looking at abstract art this term. They enjoyed creating their own abstract meander in the style of Bryan Wynters.



Mr Hargreaves came to talk to us about his charity 'Amplifying Voices' and how they support people during a crisis. The children learnt the importance of reliable information and communication and how Amplifying Voices would support communities, through radio, during a disaster such as a flood.



YEAR 6



Year Six had an excellent trip to Shoreham RNLI centre and Shoreham Port yesterday! At the RNLI, they learnt about what the charity does to save lives at sea and how important their work is. The children enjoyed getting up close to the all-weather lifeboat which is an impressive 16 metres long! For the other half of the day, the children were given a tour of Shoreham Port and learnt about how the port's history has developed Shoreham to what it is today.

In science, we have been learning about how fossils are formed and how they could provide evidence for evolution. We loaned fossils from Littlehampton Museum and found it fascinating to hold and observe them first hand.



Year 6 enjoyed working with SameSky artist, Paul to make lanterns for the 'Jack on the Green light trail' taking place on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd October in Pavillion Court Gardens.



26th September - Year 5/6 Girls Football Tournament

The girls went to St Andrews and competed as part of 10 teams split into 2 groups of 5. In the group stage, the girls put in some very dominant performances in wins against Downsbrook (3-0), Heene (3-0) and Whytemead (1-0). They suffered just a single defeat to Vale (2-0).



27th September - Year 6 Football Tournament – Festival (no results)

16 teams arrived at TAB Junior school and played several matches throughout the afternoon but no finals placings were announced in a festival style event.

The boys suffered spirited defeats against Chesswood and West Park, had a hard-fought 0-0 draw with Heene, and were very impressive in a 2-0 win vs Sion and a crushing 6-0 win against English





5th October—Year 6 Basket Ball Tournament—3rd

The team competed at Angmering High School and were in excellent form as they beat English Martyrs, Chesswood White and Vale in the group stage to finish in 2nd place.

This led them to face Downsbrook, who had finished 2nd in the other group, in the 3rd/4th place play-off match. They won that match too to finish in a very impressive 3rd place out of the 10 schools.

3rd October - Year 6 Netball Tournament – Festival (no results)

The team started with defeats to Chesswood (3-1) and Orchards (2-0) before drawing highly competitive matches with Vale (1-1) and Heene (0-0) before ending the afternoon in spectacular fashion with a 4-0 win v Bramber. They had a great time and the quality of their play improved vastly as the



10th October - Year 2 Rugby skills festival

Eleven of our year 2 children turned out to try their hand at some rugby skills. They took part in activities including running, tagging (tackling), passing, reaction times, kicking and even a mini game! They had a brilliant time and it was a pleasure to see them in action.

14th October – Years 3-6 Cross Country Championships

All competitions out of 16 teams:

Year 3 Girls 5th, Year 3 Boys 6th, Year 4 Girls 5th, Year 4 Boys 7th.

Year 5 Girls 4th, Year 5 Boys 8th, Year 6 Girls 10th, Year 6 Boys 4th.

Individual – Year 3 Gold medal – Dollie. Year 3 Bronze medal – Leo.

Year 4 Gold medal – Victoria.

It was the biggest ever event at the Gallops with 16 schools and approximately 1000 children competing across the morning. Each race saw around 125 competitors taking on the course and our children were superb as they all had their own targets in mind. Some were aiming for medals, some for top 20 finishes, some were wanting to beat their place from last year, and some knew that finishing the race would be something to be rightfully proud of. The way the children supported each other throughout every race was a pleasure to witness.

There were magnificent achievements from all the children based on the criteria they had set themselves as mentioned above, but purely on a results basis, the stand out performers were Dollie and Victoria who looked unstoppable as both won their races by a significant distance and Leo who achieved a wonderful bronze in the year 3 boys event.

Other notable placings: Y3 girls – Evie 10th, Y3 boys – Denzel 24th, Y4 girls – Anna 20th, Sofia 25th, Y4 Boys – James 8th, Jacob 25th, Y5 Girls – Nora 10th, Emma 17th, Sophie 22nd, Y6 Boys – Eli 5th, Ace 7th, Adi 14th.



F@B News

Dates for your diary

Friday 3rd November 7:30pm Christmas planning meeting. Please email F@B for the address

fabchairperson@gmail.com

Friday 17th November- non uniform day for donations towards the Fair.

Friday 1st December Christmas Fair 5:30-7:30pm

Don't forget to support us with: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-at-broadwater-c-of-e-primary-school/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_medium=clipboard&utm_content=rm



A Big **THANK YOU**

A row of seven small photographs showing children and staff members smiling and holding up items, likely related to the food collection.

A Message from the Foodbank Manager, Val John

"I just wanted to say a HUGE thank you to you, children, parents and everyone involved with the harvest food collection. There was an amazing amount of food. Thanks so much."

Updates & Reminders

Thank you

A huge thank you to F@B for their support in subsidising coach costs for each child for one trip during the academic year . We are very grateful as transport costs have risen greatly.

Parking

Thank you all for continuing to be considerate of our neighbours and the safety of the children. You will have noticed recently that parking wardens have been present at the start and end of the day more frequently following a request from the school. They are there to ensure the safety of the children.

School uniform

Each term we are collecting a large amount of unnamed school uniform. This also includes coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and other accessories.

Please label or write your child's name on these items so they can be returned to the owners.

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

In the event of rain on an outdoor club day - Please telephone after approx. 2.15pm by which time a decision would have been made and there will be a club's answerphone message which will let you know if any clubs have been cancelled. We will also follow up with a text message.

TERM DATES 2023-2024

Autumn Term

Friday 1st September – Friday 15th December 2023 (INSET: 1st Sept & 6th Oct 2023)

(Half term holiday: 23rd – 27th October)

Spring Term

Tues 2nd January – Thurs 28th March 2024 (INSET: 2nd Jan 2024)

(Half term holiday: 12th – 16th February)

Summer Term

Mon 15th April – Tues 23rd July 2024 (INSET: 22 & 23 July 2024)

(Half term holiday: 27th – 31st May)

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