

YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION IN NUMBERS

Can you guess what these numbers represent?

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Welcome to our New Parents Meeting Thursday 12th June 2025



Broadwater is a Christian School. We will enable children to become wise confident successful learners with the motivation, skills and responsibility to make a positive difference in God's world. Our vision is underpinned by the values we live by.



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School days
in a year:
195

Hours spent
in school
each year:
1235

Years in
primary
school: 7

Time spent
outside of
schools
influence:
around 85%

Number of
words
children learn
each year:
2000-3000

Number of
words typical
5 year olds
know: 10,000



YOUR SPEAKERS TONIGHT ARE....

- Tristan O'Carroll – Vice Chair of Governors
- Mrs Corless
- F@B
- Early Years Team

OPERATING SYSTEMS

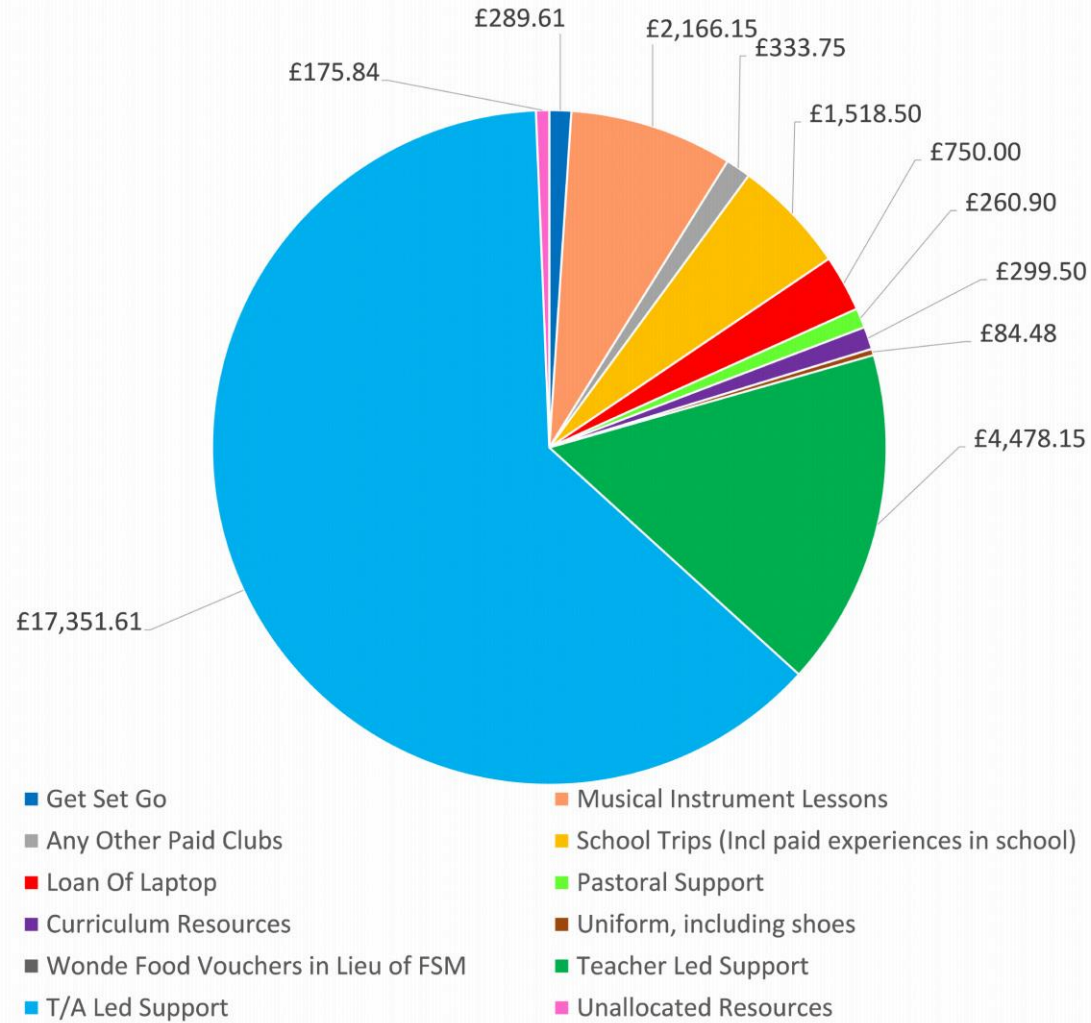
- MCAS (MyChildAtSchool)



- ParentPay
- ILD

PUPIL PREMIUM

2023-24 Academic Year Totals



PUPIL PREMIUM

- Applying for Pupil Premium is easy.
- Information on our website
- QR code at the front

Apply for free school meals

We've matched the postcode to **West Sussex County Council**.

[Search for a different postcode](#)

You can get information on their website.

[Go to West Sussex County Council website](#)

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Children who get paid these benefits directly, instead of through a parent or guardian, can also get free school meals.

Your child may also get free school meals if you get any of these benefits and your child is both:

- younger than the [compulsory age for starting school](#)
- in full-time education

Aims of Tonight's Meeting



- To help your child make the best possible start to school.
- To help you to understand the curriculum that your child will be covering in the reception class.
- To understand how we teach in order to cover the requirements of the curriculum.
- To identify the key ways in which you can help your child at home and in school.



Attendance

- Please ensure your child is in school on time. School opens at 8:45am and registration is at 8:55am.
- It is important your child is in school everyday, unless they are ill.
- If your child has any appointments please fill in one of the forms at the office.

What is the Early years foundation stage?

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.

It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.

Three Prime Areas Of Learning And Development

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development



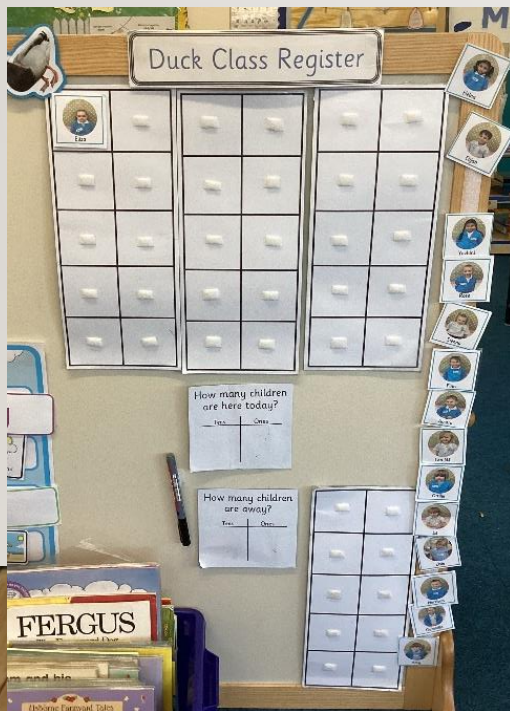
Zones of regulation			
Low	Happy	Wobbly	Angry
Feeling tired hungry bored ill	Feeling ready to learn and enjoy learning	Feeling nervous worried insecure shy	Feeling frustrated angry out of control hostile

Four specific areas of learning and development

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



A Typical Day In Reception...



The first few weeks

Statutory Baseline Assessment



Free Flow and Snack time

We are a nut free school!

No peanut butter, cereal bars with peanuts, chocolate with nuts including chocolate spread made from nuts etc.

Only fruit and vegetables are allowed for snack.
We also ask that you send in a named bottle of water -
no juice please.



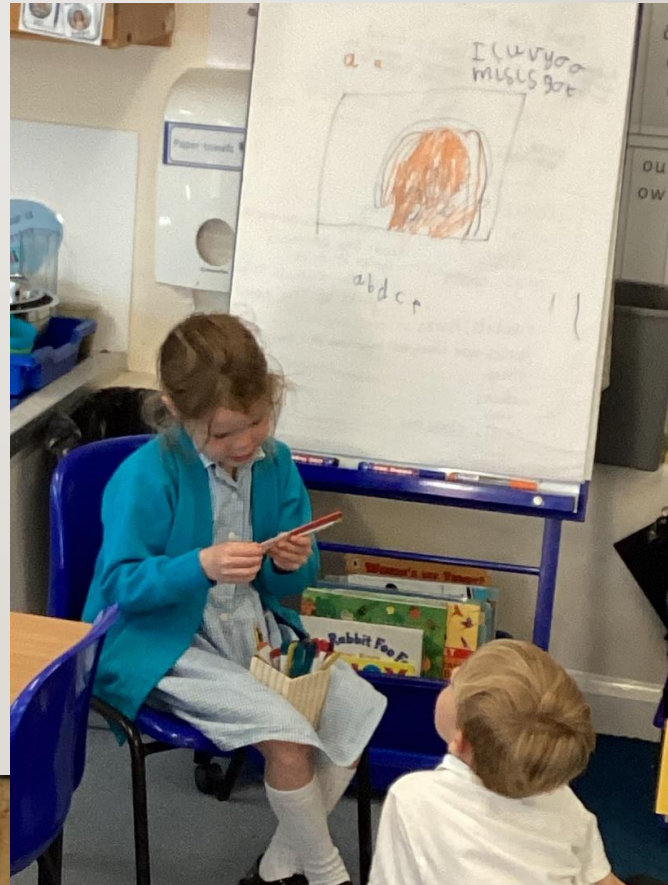
Lunchtime

12.15-13.15

We all go to the
hall together to
eat our lunch.

Make time to talk

Every 30 mins of
screen time increases
the risk of delayed
speech by 49%.



What Can I Do To Help My Child ?

Skills to practise before starting Reception.

- Grow independence
- Taking care of themselves
- Play creativity and curiosity
- Building relationships and communicating
- Being with others
- Communication and language
- Listening and engaging
- Physical development and Healthy routines

This definition was created collaboratively by



School readiness as defined by the Early years foundation stage EYFS in the UK refers to a child's preparedness for school, encompassing their social, emotional, cognitive and physical development. It's about a child being ready to thrive not just in school but in life by developing the necessary skills and attitudes.



Growing independence

Skills such as using cutlery, using the toilet independently and getting dressed.

Parting from you independently and confidently.

Spending time away from you learning they can be looked after by other caring adults.

Taking part in imaginative play. Exploring the world around them.

Building relationships and communication

Sharing and taking turns, understanding and discussing feelings, and beginning to recognise the feelings of others. Sharing story books discussing what is happening in the story. Singing nursery rhymes and songs. Talking happily to others


Physical development

Engaging in physical activity for at least three hours a day, walking up and down steps, catching a ball, and developing fine motor skills through puzzles and crafts.

Holding a pencil

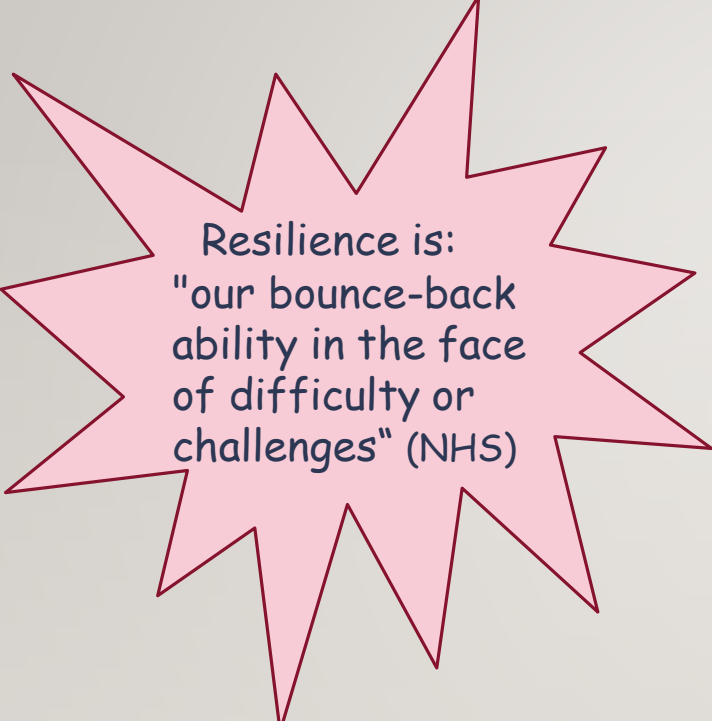
Healthy routines

Maintaining consistent sleep schedules, limiting screen time, eating a healthy diet, and practicing good oral hygiene.



Children's Mental Health

If we build our children's self-esteem they will be naturally resilient.



Resilience is:
"our bounce-back
ability in the face
of difficulty or
challenges" (NHS)

"Facing challenges and distress is normal and important in terms of individual growth..... that's how young people develop emotional resilience - they learn coping skills in the face of many small challenges and build self-confidence about their ability to cope."

Quote is from one of the country's leading experts in child and adolescent psychiatry, Prof Andrea Danese, from King's College London.

*"I have
strengths and
weaknesses."*

*"I have a
voice!"*

*" I can't do
that yet!"*

Quite often we as adults are trying to solve the problems for them whereby they need to learn to do this for themselves!





Strengthen Independence Over Summer...Prep For Life!

- Remember you are their parent not their friend!
- Children need and like boundaries to help them stay safe.
- It is good for them to occupy themselves for periods of time...
to be a little bored.
- Children need to understand the word, No!
- Validate all emotions.

A child who is supported to complete a 10 minute puzzle is more likely to suffer from mental health problems in later life, than a child who has attempted to complete the puzzle independently

Individual Learning packs available to purchase in September to help support learning at home.

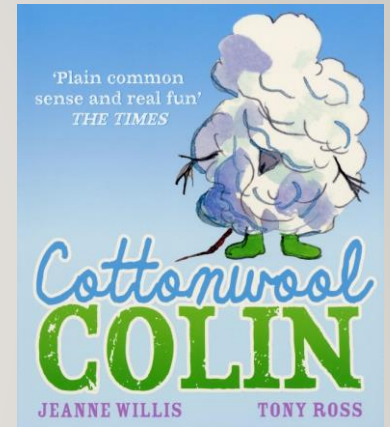


AND FINALLY...



Enjoy the summer and make memories.

- Time to share...
- Stay Positive...
- Be Proud 😊



To be continued...

- Thank you for coming!

