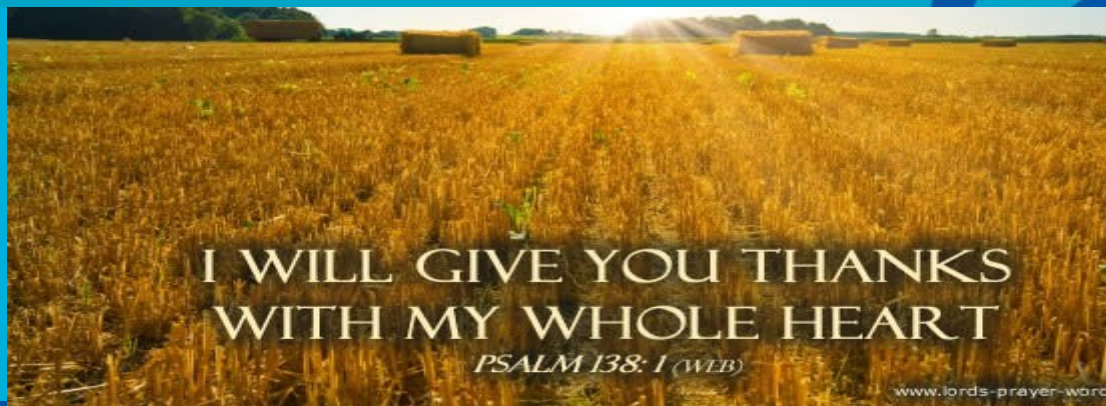




BROADWATER  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## SEPTEMBER 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Autumn has well and truly arrived this week with all the rain. Thank you for continuing to send your children to school with the appropriate outdoor coats.

As you can read in the class sections below, the children's Topic learning is in full flow. It has been an exciting start to the year, with many trips and visitors already. We were fortunate to have Joash, a teacher from Unity School in Mombassa, visit us last week. It was wonderful for the children in Key Stage 2 to have the chance to hear from him during the assembly and to be able to make another connection with the Friends of Mombassa Charity. Year three also spent the morning with him hearing all about Kenya and getting a chance to ask lots of questions.

This term continues to be filled with many trips and visitors, with year 3 visiting Marwell and year 4 visiting Fishbourne Roman Villa this week too. Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to help on these trips so early in the term.

This term in our Monday Assemblies we are exploring the theme of generosity. We have considered what being generous means and have begun to explore what it might look like in action and how we ourselves can be generous in various ways. As we are fast approaching our Harvest collection for the Worthing Foodbank, may I encourage you to reflect with your children on the theme of generosity – as we support our local community with these donations.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Please do be mindful of upcoming events in school, in particular the first parents' evenings of the year. I look forward to seeing you there.

### **F@B update**

Following F@B AGM, we can announce that the new chair of F@B is Carlene Haman. Carlene and the team will share further communications in due course regarding other changes to the committee and the plans going forward.

On behalf of the children of Broadwater school, I want to take the chance to thank Nikki Chapman for the years she committed to chairing the F@B committee, working with the committee members to ensure all the wonderful F@B events that were held across the years run so smoothly, were so enjoyable and raised so much money for the children. Thank you for all you have done.

Mr Morrissey.

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

## Diary Dates 2024-2025

### October

**Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct – Y6 Trip to Shoreham Port (by train)**

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct – BROADWATER DAY (Governors Fundraiser)**

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Oct – Harvest Festival (supporting Worthing Foodbank)**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – WSCC online application process opens (for children starting school 2025)**

**Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct – Individual & Sibling school photos**

**Weds 9<sup>th</sup> Oct – Y4 Trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace**

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Oct – F@B Discos**

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Oct (3.30-6.00pm) Parents Evening**

**Weds 16<sup>th</sup> (4.30-7.30pm) Parents Evening**

**Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct (2.15pm) – Reception classes Tea Party**

**Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct (9.00am) – Falcon Class-led Assembly**

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

### November

**Weds 6<sup>th</sup> – Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Nov – BOOK FAIR**

**Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 1 Surprise visitors**

**Weds 13<sup>th</sup> Nov – Robin Class Trip to Goodwood Ed Trust (Seeley Copse)**

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Dove Class Trip to Goodwood Ed Trust (Seeley Copse)**

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – INSET DAY (no school for children)**

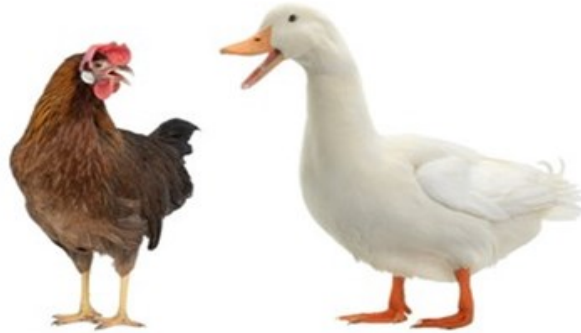
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November (2.30pm) – Y1 Gruffalo Tea Party**

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov (9.00am) – Kingfisher Class-led Assembly**

# Activities that have been taking place....

## YEAR R

Ducks and Hens have settled well into school life and have already joined in with our celebration assembly. They have now seen the whole school and are exploring the lunch menu with enthusiasm (mostly).



## YEAR I

Year I have been investigating the five senses as part of our science learning.

So far, we have explored hearing and sight. We went on an exciting journey around the school grounds, where we were listening for different sounds.

After that, we found out about how the eye works. We looked at our pupils and the coloured part called the iris. We also enjoyed looking at how things are reflected in a mirror.



## YEAR 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic start to their year. They have conducted several science investigations including an exploration of what material castles are made from. We tested sand, wood, stone, paper and card to see if they were strong and waterproof. We concluded that stone was the best material as it does not rot over time.



## YEAR 3



To start our French learning, Year 3 enjoyed a French cafe experience. They learnt about France and ordered their breakfast in French!

Year 3 had a fantastic day at Marwell Zoo, despite the rain! They saw lots of animals and took part in a workshop, looking at different animal skeletons.



## YEAR 4 and 5

Some Year 4 and 5 children visited Sompting Abbotts Prep School for a STEAM enrichment day on Wednesday 25th September. They took part in a range of orienteering, art, maths, science and engineering activities. A great day was had by all.



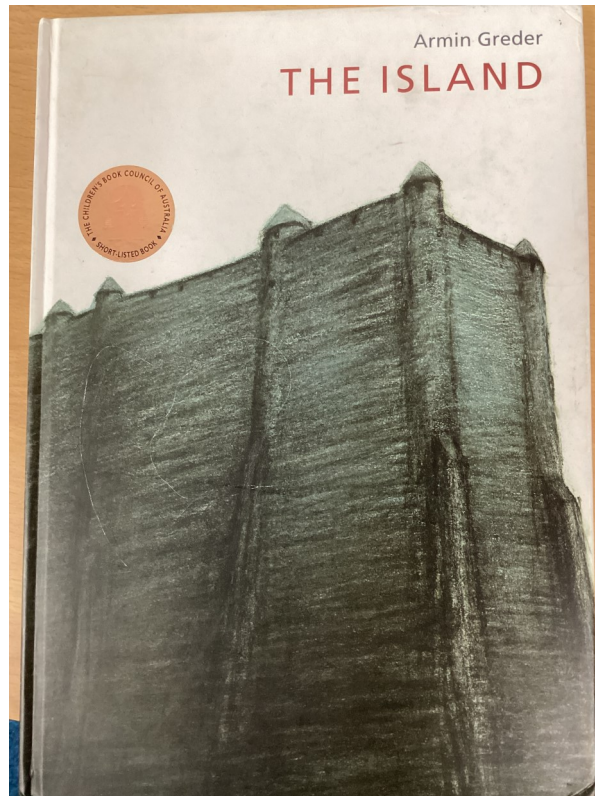
## YEAR 5

Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic day at Gaveston Hall last Thursday where they took part in orienteering, shelter building and a river walk. They learnt about the geographical vocabulary associated with rivers first hand. Nobody managed to keep their feet dry (adults or children) as we walked through the river. The children also worked well in a team to build some impressive shelters as well as knowing how to use a



## YEAR 6

Year 6 have been inspired by the sculptures of Henry Moore this month in their art lessons. We have begun creating our own clay sculptures to show emotions based on the book *The Island*. Here are a few of our first attempts.



## 18<sup>th</sup> September - Year 5 Multi-sports Festival

The children went to TAB Junior school to try their hand at some “lesser known” sports. They took part in skateboarding, American football, ultimate Frisbee and dodgeball. They had a fantastic time and it was great to have these different experiences.

PICTURE y5 multi sports festival



## 24<sup>th</sup> September - Year 5 & 6 Football Festival (no overall results)

We hosted this edition of the football festival and welcomed Vale (2 teams), Goring, Heene and Downsbrook.

The year 6 team put in some very strong performances to win a couple of their games. The year 5 team deserve real credit for the way they battled and competed throughout against some strong year 6 opposition. They kept supporting each other and didn't get downhearted.

The teams voted for Bertie (Y5) and Max (Y6) as their players' player of the tournament!



## Updates & Reminders

# Thank you

### **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 2024-2025

## AUTUMN TERM

Monday 2nd September 2024 - Friday 20th December 2024

***INSET Days 2nd & 3rd September 2024 and Friday 22nd November 2024***

***Half Term holiday: Monday 28th October 2024 - Friday 1st November 2024***

## SPRING TERM

Monday 6th January 2025 - Friday 4th April 2025

***Half Term holiday: Monday 17th February 2025 - Friday 21st February 2025***

## SUMMER TERM

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025

***INSET Days 21st and 22nd July 2025***

***Half Term holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025***

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