



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of a very full and busy January, I am thrilled to share with you all the fabulous learning and events that have taken place across the school. The children have shown incredible enthusiasm and dedication across all areas of school life.

From the participation in vibrant music performances to the range of sporting events attended, our students have excelled in every area. Do explore what each year group has been up to below.

Thank You for Your Support

A heartfelt thank you to all for your continued support with the school council's fundraising projects. This month in particular the council has led on a project to support Guildcare – a charity that is local and impacts families and friends of Broadwater school directly with their support. We will continue to collect donations in the decorated money boxes as previously communicated.

Reminder: Safe Parking

As always, the safety of our students is our top priority. Please remember to park considerately around the school premises. It is crucial to leave enough space for larger vehicles, such as fire engines, to pass through in case of an emergency. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for being such a supportive and engaged community. We look forward to the rest of the term of learning, growth, and exciting opportunities.

Warm regards,

Mr Morrissey

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

Diary Dates 2025

February

Tues 11th Feb – Internet Safety Day

Tues 11th Feb – Year 5 Outing to Bohunt (Musical)

Weds 12th Feb – EY fab finish ‘Super Hero’ costume making

Fri 14th Feb (9.00am) – Toucan Class-led Assembly

17th – 23rd February - Half term break

Tues 25th Feb – Parents Consultation Evening

Tues 25th Feb – Year 1 Bike Day

Weds 26th Feb – Year 6 Trip to Newhaven Fort

Thurs 27th Feb – Parents Consultation Evening

Fri 28th Feb (9.00am) – Robin Class-led Assembly

March

3rd – 7th March – Year 6 Bikeability training week

Weds 5th March – Y2 Author visiting (Jill Atkins)

Thurs 6th March – World Book Day

Weds 12th March – Year 1 Trip to Amberley Museum

Weds 12th March – Y2 Rainbow Theatre (Great Fire of London)

Thurs 13th March – Y3 Mechanical Robot Workshop

Thurs 13th March – Year 1 Phonics Meeting for parents (2.50pm/6.00pm)

Thurs 14th March – Swallow class assembly (9am)

Weds 19th March – Spring Concert to parents (2pm & 6pm)

Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR R



Early Years have had a wonderful start to the New Year and a new topic. This week we visited the Fire station and we got to climb in the fire engines and squirt the hose. We had lots of fun spending time with the Fire fighters of Worthing.

We also had mystery visitors in our classrooms and we discovered it was penguins! Now we have to find a way to help them get back home to their families!



YEAR 2

A World of Ice!

To start our topic, we arrived to find our classroom had turned into the Arctic! We found creatures frozen in blocks of ice and investigated how to free them.

Including, polar bears, narwhals, Arctic foxes and seals.



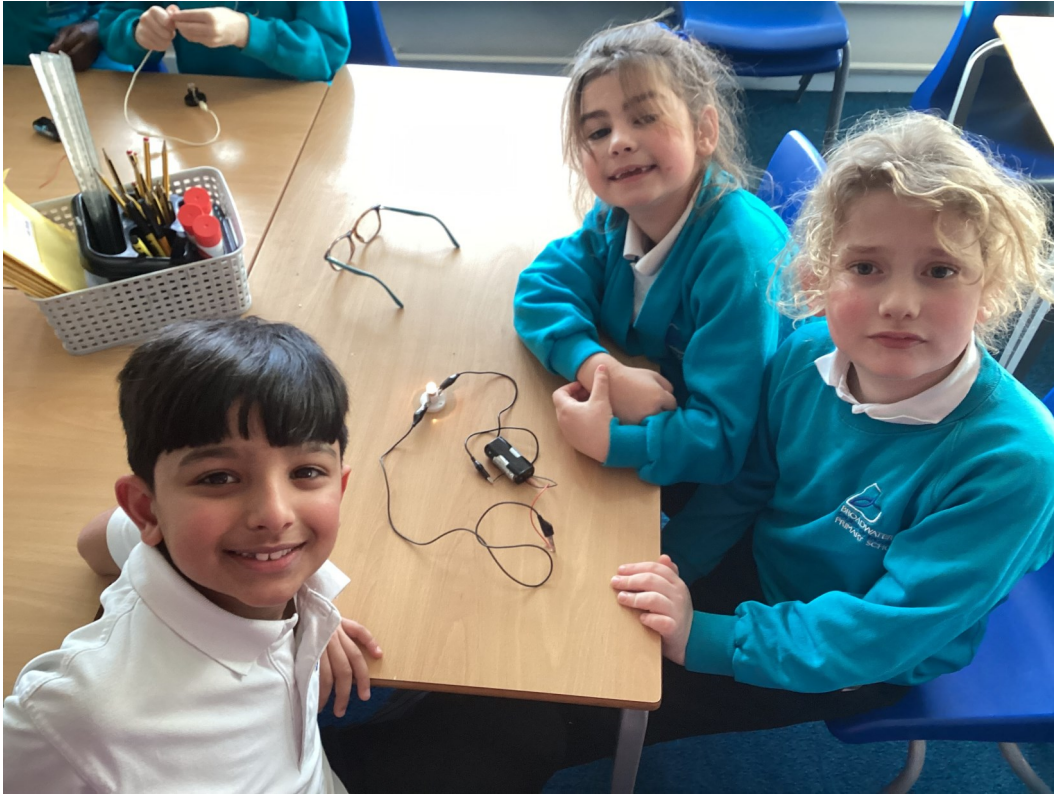
We tested out different ideas including a lamp, a hairdryer, spoons, salt and hot water. We then researched the different animals that we'd found in the ice.

Year 2 have also been exploring the Northern Lights using pastels, watercolours, pen and ink. The children looked at photographs of the Aurora Borealis and used these to inspire their work. The children are very proud of their fantastic pictures.



YEAR 3

In Year 3 this week, we had a lot of fun in Science trying to make a working circuit! We used the components of a battery, wires and a bulb to see if we could create light.



Noah shared his hot wires set and showed us the different elements to make different things work!



YEAR 4

This week in Science Year 4 have been exploring the different parts of a flower. We had lots of fun dissecting and sorting the different parts of the flower and their functions!



YEAR 5

Year 5 have had a great start to their Space topic and today had a fantastic visit to the South Downs Planetarium. We watched the dome turn into the night sky and were wowed by what the sky looks like away from the light pollution of the town. They toured the International Space Station and visited the planets of our solar system. We learnt so much about our universe.



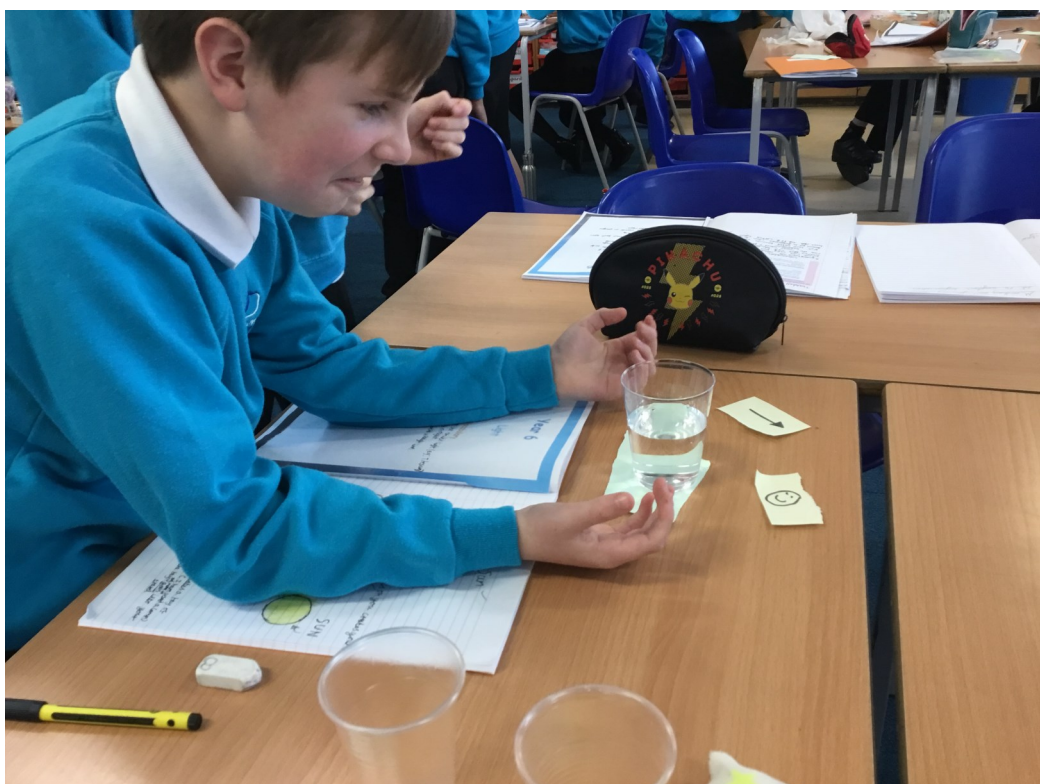
YEAR 6



Year 6 have created some stunning watercolour artwork based on scenes of London during The Blitz. We were inspired by the text *War Boy* by Michael Foreman which has some beautiful watercolour illustrations.



As part of our learning about light in science, we loved exploring visual illusions created by the process of refraction. Here is Samuel's reaction to his mini experiment! It was great fun.



Tuesday 14th January – Y4 Football Tournament – semi-finals/Joint 3rd

Twelve teams went to St Andrews to compete in the year 4 football tournament. In our group of 6 teams, we finished top following some great performances resulting in wins against West Park, Durrington and Elm Grove. As well as hard fought draws against Homefield and English Martyrs. The boys only conceded 1 goal in the group stage to earn their place in the semi-finals.

An extremely competitive semi-final took place against Orchards and the two teams could not be separated. 0-0 at full time, 1-1 after extra time, 2-2 after penalty shoot-out! Unfortunately, the game was finally decided on sudden death penalties and we came out on the wrong end of it.

A great afternoon of football and the boys should be very proud of their display throughout.



OTHER EVENTS

The Broadwater Young Voices have been working hard since September to learn a selection of songs and dances and on Wednesday, they had the chance to put all their hard work in to practice. What an amazing experience to sing with over 8000 other children in the O2 in London at a concert for parents and families.



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

SPRING TERM 2025

Monday 6th January 2025 - Friday 4th April 2025

Half term holiday Monday 17th February 2024 - Friday 21st February 2024

SUMMER TERM 2025

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 –Tuesday 22nd July 2025

(INSET:21st and 22nd July 2025)

Half term holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Wednesday 3rd September 2025 - Friday 19th December 2025

Half term holiday: Monday 27th October 2025 - Friday 31st October 2025

SPRING TERM 2026

Monday 5th January 2026 - Friday 27th March 2026

Half term holiday Monday 16th February 2024 - Friday 20th February 2024

SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday 13th April 2026 – Wednesday 22nd July 2026

Half term holiday: Monday 25th May 2026 - Friday 29th May 2026

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