



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the glorious sunshine that has graced us this April. It has been wonderful to see the children settle back into school so smoothly for the summer term. Their enthusiasm and energy are truly infectious, and it's heartening to witness their eagerness to learn and participate in school activities.

We continue to be incredibly proud of the wide range of clubs and extracurricular activities we offer. These clubs provide our students with invaluable opportunities to explore new interests, develop skills, and build lasting friendships. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated staff who generously give up their time to run these clubs. Their commitment and passion make a significant difference in the opportunities available for the children.

I also want to express my gratitude to all parents for your patience and understanding with our booking system. We recognize that it can be a bit of a challenge at times, but it remains the most effective way we have found to manage the high demand for our clubs.

On a sombre note, we join the world in mourning the passing of Pope Francis. His legacy of kindness and compassion continues to inspire us all. As Pope Francis once said, "Let us learn to live with kindness, to love everyone, even when they do not love us." His life was a testament to the values of empathy and universal love, and we honour his memory by striving to embody these principles in our daily lives.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Warm regards,

God Bless,

Mr Morrissey

Diary Dates 2025

May

Thurs 1st May – Y1 (x30 children) Cricket Skills Festival

Fri 2nd May (9.00am) – Heron Class-led Assembly

Mon 5th May – BANK HOLIDAY

Tues 6th May – SUMMER TERM CLUBS start

Fri 9th May (9.00am) – Swift Class-led Assembly

Mon 12 – Thurs 15 May – Y6 SATs Week

Fri 16th May (9.00am) – Duck Class-led Assembly

Mon 19th May – Y6 Trip to Paultons Park

Tues 20th May – Y5 KINGFISHER Trip to Ford Recycling Centre

Weds 21st May – Y5 HERON Trip to Ford Recycling Centre

Thurs 22nd May – Whole School CLASS PHOTOS

26-30 May – HALF TERM BREAK

June

Fri 6th June (9.00am) – Penguin Class-led Assembly

Mon 9th June – Y2 Trip to Sea Life Centre

Tues 10th June – Y3 Trip to Butser Ancient Farm

Weds 11th June – EY Trip to Farms

Thurs 12th June – Y2 Legacy Games (@Durrington Jnr)

Thurs 12th June – Y5 Visit to Worthing Mosque

Tues 17th June – Y2 Trip to Worthing Seafront

Weds 18 – Fri 20 June – Y6 Lodgehill Residential Trip

Fri 20th June (9.00am) – Hen Class-led Assembly

Tues 24th June (2.45pm) – Y4 Violin Presentation to parents

Weds 25th June – Y1 Trip to Arundel Wetlands Trust

Fri 27th June – F@B Summer Fair

Mon 30th June (9.00am) – Y5&6 – SPORTS DAY (Field)

Mon 30th June (1.30pm) Y1&2 SPORTS DAY (Field)

July

Tues 1st July (9.00am) – Y3&4 SPORTS DAY (Field)

Tues 1st July (1.45pm) EY SPORTS DAY (Field)

Events that have been taking place....

Prayer week

The week before Easter marked our dedicated Prayer Week, a time of profound spiritual engagement for all our students. Each child had the opportunity to visit the prayer space, participating in a variety of enriching prayer activities. Additionally, we are delighted to be back in our Prayer Garden, a calm environment where classes can gather to reflect and pray in this special, tranquil setting.



Author Visit to KSI

Reception and Key Stage One were delighted to welcome children's author Hannah Peckham to Broadwater C of E Primary School for an exciting visit on Thursday 24th April.

Hannah, whose books include *Brave* and *Conker the Chameleon*, shared her journey as a writer and read aloud to the children. Her storytelling captivated everyone and encouraged pupils to think about emotions, kindness, and resilience.

It was a super afternoon and a fantastic celebration of reading, wellbeing, and the power of storytelling.



YEAR R

Ducks and Hens have had an exciting start to term, learning all about what comes out of eggs. We have been looking after eggs in an incubator, and ducklings have hatched in Duck class!



YEAR 2

Year 2 became seaside investigators. Comparing photographs taken from the past and present, identifying shells using keys. We enjoyed making our own shells using different materials. Also, visiting a 'Beach shop' buying different items and working out how much change should be given. Our new topic is Shimmering Shores!



YEAR 3

As part of Year 3's stunning start into their new topic on the Stone Age, they made their own Stone Age shelters!



YEAR 4

Our new topic "Around the World in 80 days" was kicked off this term with the characters coming to visit! The children took it in turns to hot seat each character and were given clues as to their role in the story. The children then predicted what they thought the story would be about using their inference skills!



YEAR 6

Year 6 ended their 'When the Siren Sounds' topic in style with a VE-Day-style party just before Easter! Parents and carers were invited in to share the children's work in their topic books and their D&T sewing projects which involved the design and construction of a 'make-do-and-mend' teddy bear. The Year 6 children also entertained us with their group 1940s-style dances that they had choreographed in their PE lessons.



Thursday 3rd April – Y4 Football Penalty Shootout – runners-up and silver medals

Broadwater hosted the annual football penalty shootout competitions and our year 4 team were up first on the Thursday.

The team played 10 games – 2 games each against Goring, West Park, Vale, Elm Grove and Whytemead. Some consistent shooting and excellent goalkeeping led to an impressive return of 5 wins, 3 draws and just 2 defeats. This earned an overall 2nd place and silver medals!



Year 5 runners-up and silver, Year 6 Champions and Gold medals!

The following day we had a team of year 5 and a team of year 6 children competing in a 9 team tournament. The year 5s played extremely well and ended with 5 wins, 2 draws and a single defeat on their way to silver medals.

The year 6s went unbeaten and very nearly perfect as the only blemish on their results was a draw against our own year 5 team. The year 6s won the other seven matches and deservedly took the gold medals. Liam was phenomenal in goal as he conceded just 5 goals in the entire competition from the 40 penalties that were taken against him!



SPORTS REPORT

A massive thank you and well done to the sports leaders too who helped to run both events. They conducted themselves in a very mature and professional manner as they refereed and scored the games.



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 2025-2026

SUMMER TERM 2025

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

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Wednesday 3rd September 2025 - Friday 19th December 2025

INSET DAY WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPT

INSET DAY FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2025

(Half Term holiday: Monday 27th October 2025 - 31st October 2025)

SPRING TERM 2026

Monday 5th January 2026 - Friday 27th March 2026

INSET DAY MONDAY 5TH JANUARY 2026

(Half Term holiday: Monday 16th February 2026 - Friday 20th February 2026)

SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday 13th April 2026 - Wednesday 22nd July 2026

INSET DAY MONDAY 29TH JUNE 2026

INSET DAY WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY 2026

(Half Term holiday: Monday 25th May 2026 - Friday 29th May 2026)

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