



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

MAY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a glorious May it has been in Worthing, with enjoying longer days, wonderful sunshine, and the unmistakable energy that this change in weather brings to our school community. Broadwater is buzzing with activity, and it's been wonderful to see our children so engaged in their learning and the world around them.

This month, our pupils have been diving deeper into exciting topics across the curriculum—from exploring habitats and life cycles in science to developing persuasive writing skills in English. Their curiosity and creativity continue to shine, and we're incredibly proud of their progress.

We're also thrilled to see so much happening across the local community, and it's exciting to hear from the children all they have been involved in from cricket on the green, car boot fairs and time spent up on the downs. These events remind us of the importance of community spirit, something we value deeply at our school. Do also please remember to share with us any special activities children have been involved in that have supported the community which we can share in school through our community awards. These can be emailed in to the office.

This week as a school, along with the Broadwater Parish community, we have said goodbye to Rev Gaz Daly and his family as they leave Broadwater and head off to a new parish. Rev Gaz has been a school parent, governor, and our very own resident vicar for 9 years now, and we will miss him. We wish him every blessing as he moves on.

Staffing updates

We say goodbye to Mrs Jefferson in the office this week, as she leaves Broadwater after many years to take on new challenges. I am sure you will join me in wishing her all the best.

South Farm Road Crossing update

Ensuring safe crossing on South Farm Road continues to be a priority for us, and we have been working together with the team at West Sussex and our local councillor to ensure there is safe crossing each morning and afternoon for children and families across South Farm Road at the end of Ardsheal close. West Sussex are hopeful that they will be able to recruit a new Crossing Patrol, but are clear this is unlikely to be before the start of the new school year in September. In the meantime, we have pushed for a permanent crossing to be put in, and West Sussex have agreed to make some adjustments, by adding a dropped curb crossing just south of the Church, and extending the restricted parking, thus increasing the visibility and safety of crossing South Farm Road. The proposed plans for this are currently under consultation and can be viewed here: [Worthing - Live TRO consultations - West Sussex County Council](#) The plan is to install this crossing over the summer holidays.

As always, thank you for your continued support. I wish you all an enjoyable half term break, and we look forward to all the excitement that the rest of the summer term brings.

Mr Morrissey

God Bless,



SUMMER TERM DIARY DATES

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

Weds 18th June (11.45am) Y3-5 (selected pupils) Legacy Games

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)

Weds 2nd July – Y2 Visitor from the Dolphin Project

Weds 2nd July – Y6 TRANSITION DAY AT HIGH SCHOOLS

Fri 4th July – Y6 Leavers Service @ Lancing College

Mon 7th July – Y6 Musical Performance Dress Rehearsals

Mon 7th July – Class Changeover day

Tues 8th July (2pm & 6.30pm) – Y6 Musical Performance to Parents

Weds 9th July - (2pm & 6.30pm) – Y6 Musical Performance to Parents

Tues 15th July (2.45pm) – Y3 Recorder Presentation to parents

Thurs 17th July – Y6 Singing at Broadwater Parish ‘Tea Tme’

Thurs 17th July (7pm) – Y6 Leavers’ Party

Fri 18th July – Last Day of Term

Mon 21st July – INSET DAY (no school for pupils)

Tues 22nd July – INSET DAY (no school for pupils)

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

Thank You for Supporting Our MAF Book Sale!

School Council would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported our recent book sales in aid of MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship). Your generous donations of pre-loved books, and the contributions made during the sales, helped us raise an amazing £200 for this fantastic cause.

MAF is a charity that uses small aircraft to fly medical care, emergency supplies and support to some of the most remote and hard-to-reach communities in the world. Every penny raised will help them continue this life-changing work.

We are so grateful for the enthusiasm and generosity shown by our school community. Thank you once again for making the event such a success!



Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR R

Ducks and Hens have had a lot of fun down in Early Years these past few weeks. To give you a much awaited update... Hen class had 4 chicks arrive for them to love and take care of. We have ended the term learning about Little Red Hen.



The story has helped to remind us why it is important to always be kind and help each other. We have also followed Little Red Hen's lead by making our own bread rolls!



YEAR I



Year One has been reading about the exciting adventures of Supertato and the mayhem that Evil Pea creates in this series. Supertato asked us to make some buggies so he could catch up with Evil Pea and thwart his cunning plans. We designed and made axles so the wheels would be able to turn.



YEAR 2

Animal Habitats!

In Science, Year Two have been learning about different animal habitats. We thought about how animals had adapted to their environment. As a group, we sorted the animals into the correct habitat.



YEAR 3

Year 3 used natural resources to create art to show Trinity.



YEAR 4

Year 4 travelled round the world to India this week to make a delicious vegetable curry!



They followed a recipe and used their cutting and measuring skills to achieve this. They learnt about how food in India might be the same and different from what they eat at home.

YEAR 5

Year 5 had a great trip to the Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) in Ford. We learnt all about the different items that can be recycled and looked at where and how it all actually happens. We even got to decorate and keep a fabric bag that can be taken shopping and be reused again and again.



YEAR 6

Year 6 have had a busy half term!

Following a successful SATs week, Year 6 visited Paultons Park for an unforgettable day of celebration. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and demonstrated exemplary behaviour throughout the whole trip. Well done Year 6!



Last week, we were also lucky enough to have Mrs Sparkes come into school to deliver a CPR and first response session to the children, as part of their RHE curriculum. The children learnt how to respond to an emergency using DRABC and how to perform CPR. They even got the opportunity to try out their CPR skills on a training mannequin. It was great to see the children being hands on in learning essential life skills!



Finally, Year 6 have been creating a piece of artwork for the upcoming Fish 950 project, to mark 950 years of the Diocese of Chichester, which is being hosted at Chichester Cathedral this summer. The children have been invited to create a fish which will be joined together in a sea of artwork filling the Cathedral nave, alongside artwork from Year 6s across the diocese. This is a once in a generation opportunity that the children are excited to see come together. Here are some examples of our artwork.



Thursday 1st May – Year 1 Cricket Skills Festival

Thirty of our year 1 children went to Durrington High School for a jam-packed morning of cricket activities! They tried their hand at 12 different stations involving batting, bowling, throwing and catching skills and stuck at it brilliantly despite the roaring heat!

It was a wonderful experience and the children represented the school with impeccable behaviour.



Thursday 8th May – Y4 Tennis skills Competition – 3rd

Eight of our year 4 children competed in various skills activities that tested their hand-eye co-ordination and agility. They needed their full range of tennis skills and technique in games that included forehands, backhands, serving and volleying. The team performed superbly to take a very impressive 3rd place out of the 8 schools.



Tuesday 13th May – Y5&6 Quadkids Athletics – 8th and 9th out of 16

Over 180 children gathered at Worthing Leisure centre for the elite athletics competition. All children competed in 600m run, 75m sprint, long jump and howler throw to score points for themselves and the team. It was an extremely high standard of competition and in the end our teams finished in very respectable 8th and 9th place out of the 16 teams. Incredibly only 5 points separated our teams as year 5 recorded 1472 points and year 6 1467 points!

There was also individual success as Victoria won the girls silver medal!



Thursday 15th May – Y2 End ball festival

Six of our year 2 children competed in an end ball festival at Durrington Junior School. They displayed excellent throwing and catching skills as well as superb teamwork and encouragement towards each other. Well done team!



Tuesday 20th May – Key Stage 2 Parallel Legacy Games

The Worthing schools held the inaugural parallel legacy games event at the leisure centre. It was a fantastic event with 140 children taking part in football, cricket, obstacle course, Zumba and athletics disciplines (running, jumping and throwing.)

All of our children gave their full commitment to every activity and we had a wonderful morning.



Thursday 22nd May – Year 3&4 Quadkids Athletics – Champions and 7th out of 15

It was the turn of the year 3 and 4 children as they took on an almost identical format with a 400m run, 50m sprint, long jump and howler throw. Both teams performed incredibly well with our year 3 children finishing in an excellent 7th place. The year 4 children were on a level above the other teams in the competition finishing over 100 points clear in 1st place and winning the gold medals in the process!

There was more individual success too with Dollie winning gold and Beau winning bronze.



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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