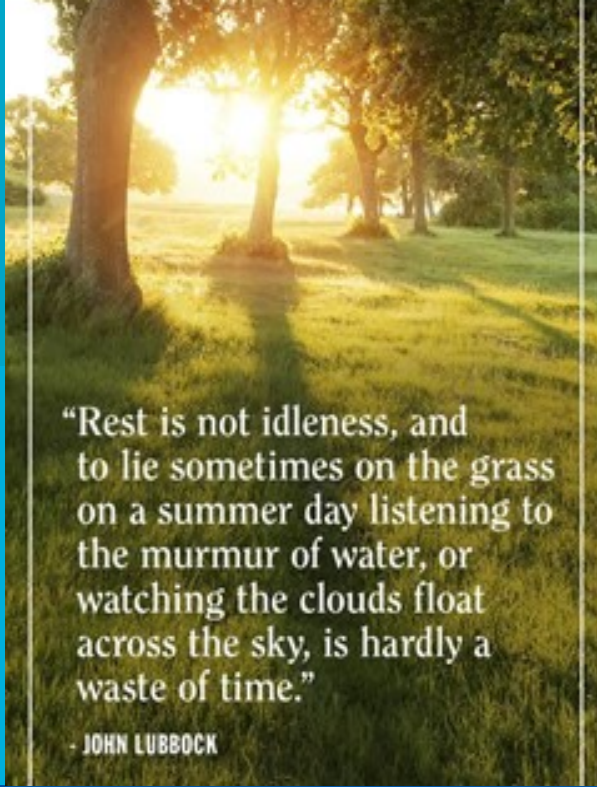




BROADWATER  
CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



“Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass on a summer day listening to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is hardly a waste of time.”

- JOHN LUBBOCK



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## JULY 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another academic year, I'd like to take a moment to reflect on what has made this year such a positive and memorable one for Broadwater.

First and foremost, congratulations to every child for their incredible efforts and achievements. Whether they've taken on new challenges or overcome personal hurdles, they've continued to impress us all. Our vision remains clear: to ensure every child leaves Broadwater as a wise, confident, and successful learner. This is brought to life through the rich and varied experiences we offer - from the excitement of Reception farm visits to the full-blown musical productions put on by Year 6 - and everything in between. And of course, we are proud of the progress the children have made, and the outcomes they achieve should be celebrated.

We're also proud of the many opportunities our pupils have had to represent the school, particularly in sports. A special thank you goes to Mr. Lund and Mrs. Etheridge, whose dedication has ensured a vibrant programme of active and healthy clubs. Thanks to their hard work, along with the staff team who run many of the clubs and events on offer, for the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year we've achieved the highest possible grading of Platinum Plus in the Key stage 1 Quality Start award — recognising the strong, active foundation we provide for our youngest learners. And also for the 7<sup>th</sup> year running in Key Stage 2 School Games mark scheme, we have achieved Platinum – also the highest possible ranking. We remain committed to keeping our sports and activity offerings fresh, inclusive, and engaging.

Every year we have the pleasure of seeing the children grow as musicians and gain valuable musical experiences. We see music as such a key part of life, and to be able to offer the breadth of experiences we do here at Broadwater will hopefully be the start of a musical journey for each child. From singing each day, to experiencing chamber orchestras, to learning and performing a range of instruments, our children really do receive so much from our specialist music teacher. I had the privilege of listening to the year 3 perform their recorder concert just last week – so impressive. We do hope that many will continue to learn a musical instrument as they continue through school.

Continued....

And finally to all of you—our parents and carers—thank you. Your support has been invaluable, whether through kind words, volunteering on trips, attending school events, or contributing your time and energy to F@B. Your involvement makes a real difference.

As we head into the summer break, I hope it brings you and your children plenty of rest, joy, and hopefully some sunshine too.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Thursday 4th September for the start of the new school year.

Warm regards,  
Mr Morrissey

## AUTUMN TERM DIARY DATES

### September

**Weds 3 Sept – INSET DAY (no school for pupils)**

**Thurs 4 Sept – Autumn term starts for Pupils**

**Tues 9 Sept – KSI Parent Information Meeting (5-6pm)**

**Tues 9 Sept – KS2 Parent Information Meeting (6-7pm)**

**Thurs 11 Sept – Y5 Trip: Gaveston Hall Activity Day**

**Tues 16 Sept – Y5 Swimming lessons begin**

**Fri 19 Sept (9-9.35am) – EY Reading Mtg & Curriculum News for parents**

**Mon 22 Sept – Autumn Term Clubs begin**

**Thurs 25 Sept – Y3 Trip to Marwell Zoo**

**Thurs 25 Sept (6-7pm) – EY Reading/Writing/Curr News/ILD mtg for parents**

**Fri 26 Sept – Y2 Trip to Arundel Castle**

**Fri 26 Sept (9-9.35am) - EY Writing & Interactive Learning Diary (ILD) meeting**

**Mon 29 Sept – Harvest Donations**

### October

**Weds 1 Oct – Y1 & Y2 Maths Meeting for Parents (5.30pm)**

**Weds 1 Oct – Y3 & Y4 Maths Meeting for Parents (6.15pm)**

**Thurs 2 Oct – Y5 & Y6 Maths Meeting for Parents (5.30pm)**

**Fri 3 Oct – Broadwater Day**

**Mon 6 Oct – Individual & Sibling School Photos**

**Weds 8 Oct – Y4 Trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace**

**Fri 10 Oct – F@B School Discos**

**Tues 14 Oct – Parents Evening (3.40-6.00pm)**

**Thurs 16 Oct – Parents Evening (4.30-7.30pm)**

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

# News Updates....

## Statutory Outcomes

We are Proud of all our children who have worked so hard and achieved so well in the statutory assessments across the school.

Early Years Good Level of Development: 72% achieving GLD

Year 1 Phonics: 88% passing the phonics screening check

Year 4 Multiplications Tables Check: Average score was 23/25, with 41% of children achieving full marks of 25

Year 6 Statutory Assessments: the % achieving the Expected Standard

Reading 89% / Writing 82% / Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling 87%

Mathematics 87% / Science 85%

## Staffing Updates

We say our final goodbyes to those staff moving on to the next chapter of their lives. We wish a happy retirement to Mrs Cunningham, Mrs Foden and Mrs Sayers. We say goodbye to Mr Esposito and Mrs Houlders. We also say goodbye and good luck to Mrs Phillpot who leaves us to take on a new role.

We will welcome back Mrs Owens and Mrs Rowden in September, and of course Mrs Langdell who has already returned from Maternity.

Our office team will be joined by Mrs Huskinson, our new Office Manager, and Mrs Bignall as Office Administrator and Extra Curricular Coordinator.

In addition, Mrs Hills will be joining our Key stage 2 team and Miss Coggin our Key Stage 1 team as teaching assistants.

I am sure you will join us in welcoming them to the Broadwater community.

## MCAS (MyChildAtSchool)

Thank you to all who have signed up to the MCAS app. We will go live with all communications (including club bookings) via MCAS in September. We know it will streamline all our communications and should make things more manageable for you as parents. We do ask for your patience as we launch – particularly as we roll out the first round of Club bookings early in September.

## Governors Fund

The Governors' fund is an essential part of ongoing Capital works for us being a Church of England school. This fund is used to cover 10% of all capital works undertaken to maintain and improve the school estate. Every year we receive generous contributions on Broadwater Day and the governors wanted to share some of the projects this money has been spent on.

In previous years large projects included the re-roofing of all the flat roofs, the installation of the security fencing and the resurfacing of walkways last summer would not have been possible without the Governors' 10% funding.

This year, a number of smaller capital projects, including replacing a number of internal fire doors to ensure they provide the best protection have required the Governor's 10% in order to complete.

In the Autumn, you will be receiving additional information about Broadwater Day and how you can get involved with donating to this essential fund.

The governors would also like to take this as an opportunity to thank those families who will be leaving us for their continued support of this fund and remind them to review any current standing orders that may be in place at this time.

Thank You! F@B

**We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the F@B Committee for their incredible support throughout the year. Their dedication and hard work have made a real difference to our school community.**

**A special thank you for the amazing Summer Fair, which raised an impressive £4,000 - a fantastic achievement that will directly benefit**

Activities that have been taking place....

## YEAR R

Early Years have been having an exciting last few weeks at school. We have been visiting our new classrooms and meeting our new teachers which has been wonderful. We have been having lots of fun with our friends and teachers in Duck and Hen class before the summer holidays! Mrs Scott and Miss Fosterjohn wish us all the best in Year One.



# YEAR 1

On Thursday 17th July, the Year One area was buzzing with excitement as the children celebrated their **Ugly Bug Ball!** Dressed as all kinds of colourful creatures — from sparkly ladybirds to long legged spiders — the children proudly paraded their costumes in a joyful celebration of all things buggy. The day was filled with music and dancing. Reception classes were invited to watch the dance. After that, they were partnered up with a Year One child and they enjoyed performing the dance too!

As part of their learning, the children have been exploring the world of mini-beasts, and the Ugly Bug Ball was the perfect way to celebrate their curiosity, creativity, and growing knowledge of nature.



# YEAR 2

Year 2 had a fantastic day of sewing recently! After reading *Can You Catch a Mermaid?* by Jane Rae, we made mermaid purses to ensure the mermaid wouldn't lose anything again.

We learnt how to use a running stitch to sew the sides. We also learnt how to sew a button so it could be fastened. What a great day!

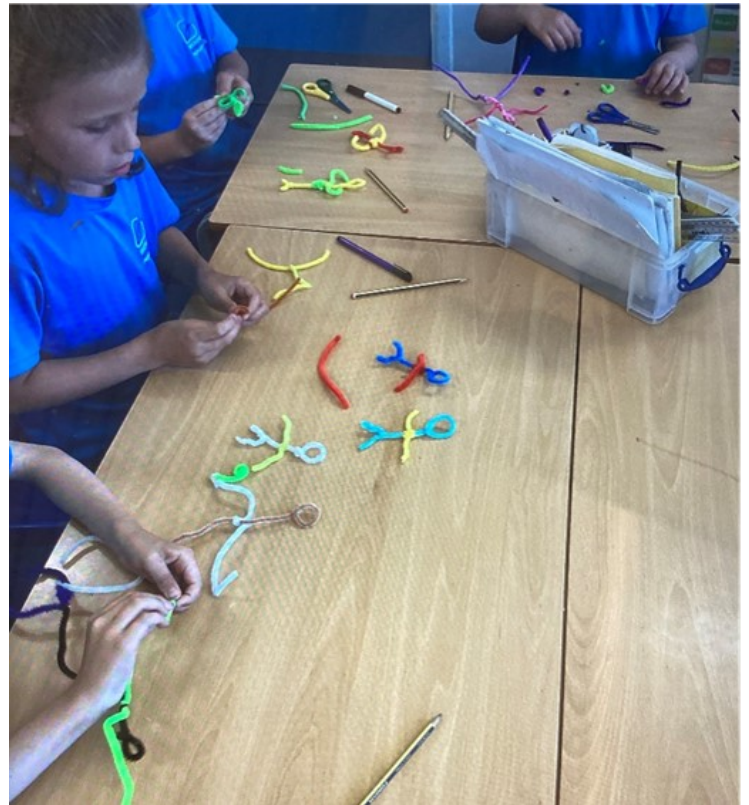


On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July, Year 3 came to school to find out a fossil had been found over the weekend! We are writing newspaper reports to share the exciting news!

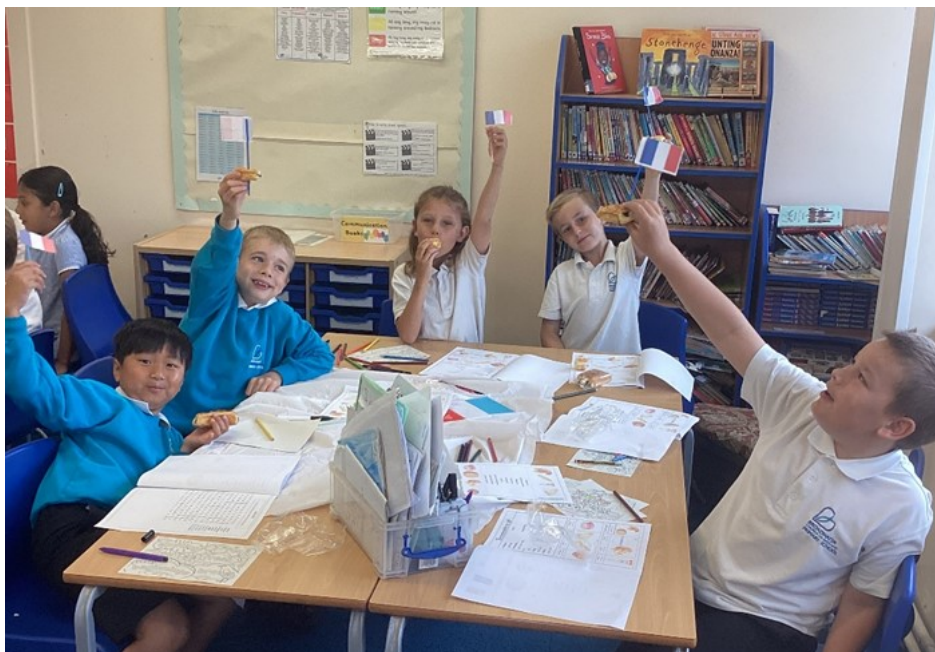
## YEAR 3



Year 3 have been creating a sculpture in the style of Giacometti. They planned out a Stone Age person and created them using pipe cleaners and tin foil.



To end Year 3's French learning, they had a French cafe experience for breakfast! They ordered in French and enjoyed learning some new vocabulary they would use in a cafe setting in France.



## YEAR 4

Year 4 had a fabulous finish to their topic "Around the World in 80 days!" Dressed as their favourite character from the story, they watched an action-packed film version starring Jackie Chan. Many respectable gentlemen of the Reform Club in London and beautiful Princesses



## YEAR 5

As part of our topic, 'Let's Make a Difference,' the Year 5 children have enjoyed designing and making products, all of which had to include a recycled element. There was a great sense of excitement at the sale and they managed to raise a massive £204.35 to be shared between two charities, 'Friends of Mombasa' and 'Amplifying Voices'.



## On the subject of fundraising.....

### A Fantastic Fundraising Year!

We're thrilled to share that our Dance-a-thon for Friends of Mombasa raised an incredible **£1,365.60** – thank you to everyone who took part and donated so generously!

In total this year, the School Council has raised a whopping **£2,958.60**. This amazing achievement wouldn't have been possible without the creativity and dedication of our School Council members and the brilliant support from families and staff across the school.

A huge well done and thank you to everyone who helped make this such a successful year – we're so proud of what we've achieved together!



....and finally

## YEAR 6

As we come to the end of the term, and the end of our Year 6's time at Broadwater, we have been busy with the traditional 'leavers' activities in the last few weeks.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July, we took part in the Diocese of Chichester Leavers' service at Lancing College. The children sang beautifully and those that read during the service did this very well. Here we all are outside the chapel.



Our main focus has been performing our production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat! You may have heard us or even come to see the show. Both casts did an amazing job, performing with such enthusiasm and joy - they really did themselves proud!



**We wish all of our year 6 children the best of luck for starting high school!**

## JULY SPORTS DAYS

We had a very busy couple of days this week as 4 separate sports day events took place. The children competed in some very exciting individual and team races, as well as completing a circuit of activities and the Key stage 2 children battling in the tug-of-war events.

Activities included football, American football, high jump, dribbling, throwing and catching skills, howler, sack race, bouncy hopper, agility relay and beanbag throwing.

Thank you to all the families and friends who came to support the events and created a great atmosphere.

### Results

**Early Years – 1<sup>st</sup> Orange(yellow) 28, 2<sup>nd</sup> Red 20, 3<sup>rd</sup> Green 11, 4<sup>th</sup> Blue 9**

**Year 1&2 – 1<sup>st</sup> Blue 30, Joint 2<sup>nd</sup> Green 22, Yellow 22, Red 22**

**Year 3&4 – 1<sup>st</sup> Green 59, 2<sup>nd</sup> Blue 37, 3<sup>rd</sup> Yellow 25, 4<sup>th</sup> Red 24**

**Year 5&6 – Joint 1<sup>st</sup> Red & Green 44, 3<sup>rd</sup> Yellow 41, 4<sup>th</sup> Blue 20**

**Overall – 1<sup>st</sup> Green 136, 2<sup>nd</sup> Yellow 116, 3<sup>rd</sup> Red 110, 4<sup>th</sup> Blue 96**

### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

#### Year 5/6 Rounders – Joint 2<sup>nd</sup>

Some of our year 5s went to TAB Junior school for a rounders tournament. Only 4 teams in attendance but very exciting matches nonetheless. Each of our 3 games was decided by a single rounder one way or the other and resulted in a joint 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall.



## Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 5&6 Multisports

**Year 6 - 2<sup>nd</sup> and silver medals, Year 5 - 3<sup>rd</sup> place**

A brand new event this year and we played host as 6 teams took on a series of multisports activities mostly focused around athletics disciplines. The children scored points for performances in howler throwing, coconut shy, football shooting, long jump, high jump, slalom/hurdles and finally the team shuttle relay.



## Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3&4 Multisports

**BW Black – 4<sup>th</sup>, BW Red/BW Blue – Joint 5<sup>th</sup>**

It was the turn of the year 3s and 4s to compete in the same circuit of skills. We had 3 teams made up of an amazing 26 children. They had a great time in scorching conditions and represented the school flawlessly.



# TERM DATES 2025– 2026

## 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)*

## AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITY CLUBS

All activity clubs for the Autumn term begin on Monday 22nd September.

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