



BROADWATER
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I want to start by saying a heartfelt thank you for all your support, help, and the many volunteers who make our school community so special. It has been a busy month with lots happening – much of which we couldn't do without your support.

Our Year 2 pupils had an unforgettable Knights Day, complete with being knighted by *King James* (also known as Mr James!) and finishing the day by enjoying the delicious apple tarts they baked together. Over in Reception, the children looked fantastic in their nursery rhyme dress-up costumes, bringing so much joy and creativity to the day. Meanwhile, Year 4 have been hard at work in DT, building impressive Viking long-boats—what amazing craftsmanship!

Thank you also for continuing to support your children with their home learning, especially their daily reading—it makes such a difference.

We are full of anticipation as we approach the start of Advent and begin the countdown to Christmas. Looking ahead, we're excited for the F@B Christmas Fair and all the other wonderful Christmas events planned over the next few weeks. And of course, the sound of Christmas songs being rehearsed for nativities and carol singing is filling the school with festive cheer!

Thank you again for being such an important part of our school community. Wishing you and your families a joyful Advent season and a wonderful countdown to Christmas!

Warm regards,

Mr Morrissey

Diary Dates 2025-2026

November

Fri 28 Nov – EY Nursery Rhyme Dressing-up Day

Fri 28th Nov – F@B Non-uniform Day (Christmas Fair donations)

Fri 28th Nov – F@B Pantomime performances x 2 (Hall)

December

Tues 2 Dec – Y4 Violin Presentation to Parents (2.40pm)

Thurs 4 Dec – Y3 African Drumming Workshop

Fri 5 Dec – School Christmas Fair (5.30-7.30pm)

Mon 8 Dec – Y6 Singing at local Nursing Homes (morning)

Tues 9 Dec – Y6 Singing at local Nursing Homes (afternoon)

Tue 9 Dec – Y5 final swimming lesson

Weds 10 Dec – Y1&2 Musical nativity to Parents (2.15-3.15pm)

Thurs 11 Dec – Y1&2 nativity to Parents (9.15-10.15am)

Fri 12 Dec – Y1&2 nativity to Parents (9.15-10.15am)

Fri 12 Dec – School autumn term clubs finish

Mon 15 Dec – EY Nativity Dress Rehearsal (performing to Infants & junior siblings)

Mon 15 Dec – Y3-6 Christmas Parties

Tues 16 Dec – EY Nativity for parents (9.15am Hall)

Tues 16 Dec – Y6 Singing carols at Interim/St Mary's church - morning only

Weds 17 Dec – EY, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Parties

Thurs 18 Dec – Y6 Singing at St Mary's Teatime (2pm)

Fri 19 Dec – Christmas Church Service

Fri 19 Dec – Last Day of Term

Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR R

This term Early Years have been busy learning all about Nursery Rhymes and this week we celebrated with our Nursery Rhyme dress up day.

We enjoyed parading around, singing and sharing our characters songs and rhymes and we even adapted an existing nursery rhyme to create our own new versions in class.



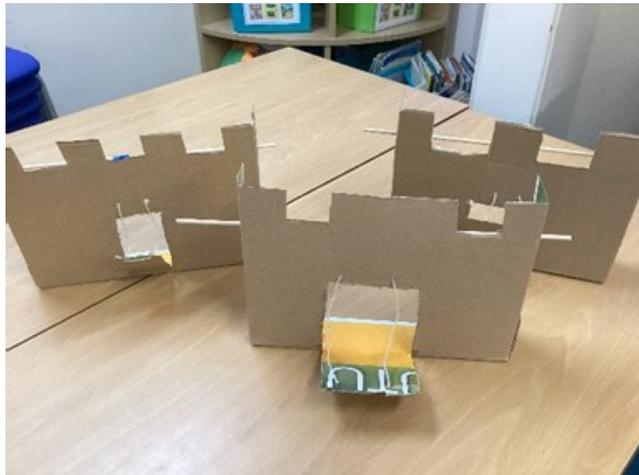
We have also celebrated the opening of our new wood-work shed, courtesy of F@B and have begun to learn woodworking skills.

YEAR I

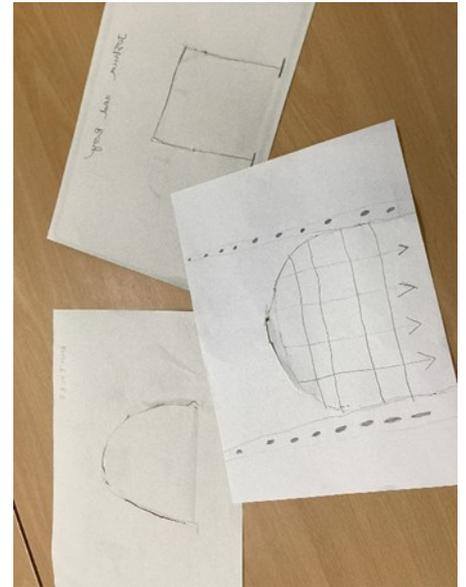


Year I held a tea party for their Grandparents to celebrate the end of their topic: Footsteps through the Forest. We baked Gruffalo crumble flapjacks and performed the Gruffalo story with actions and sign language. Our guests had a wonderful time finding out what the children have learnt this term.

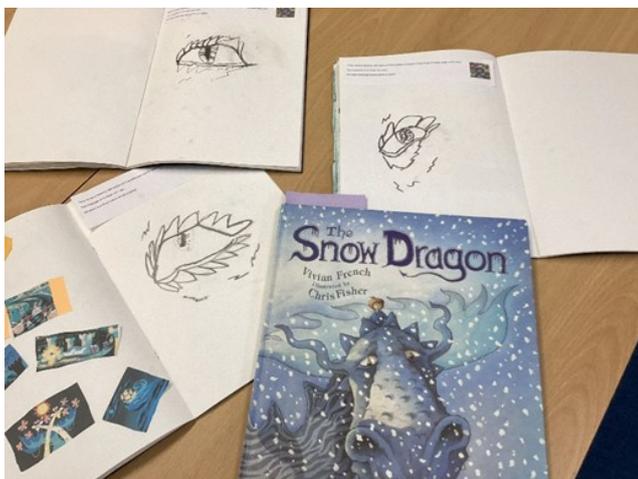
Year 2 have been busy taking on the exciting challenge of making their own drawbridges! To begin with, the children experimented with paper prototypes to explore the best way to design a drawbridge that could be raised and lowered. It was quite a tricky task, and many pairs needed a second try once they realised a flap was needed.



YEAR 2



Once the prototypes were complete, the class moved on to creating their final designs using cardboard boxes. They worked carefully to build a mechanism with cotton reels, string and tape, and had to think carefully about where to make the holes so everything worked smoothly. There was plenty of excitement when they tested their models and saw their drawbridges lifting and lowering successfully!



Alongside this, Year 2 have now started learning about dragons. To launch their art project, the children created some fantastic dragon eye drawings — a brilliant start to their new theme!



Activities that have been taking place....

YEAR 3

Mrs Hinks, a member of the charity Friends of Mombasa, came to tell Year 3 all about the important work they do in Mombasa, Kenya. The children learnt a lot about Unity School and how the children learn. This is to inspire an upcoming piece of



YEAR 4

Year 4 had a great time during their STEM workshop to start their new science unit all about sound. They created their own 'human piano' and used the 'oddballs' to create their own music!





On Tuesday 11th November, Year 4 led the whole school through a Remembrance Assembly to acknowledge all of the people who died at war. They also created some poppy art to show the real significance of the poppy at this time.

YEAR 4

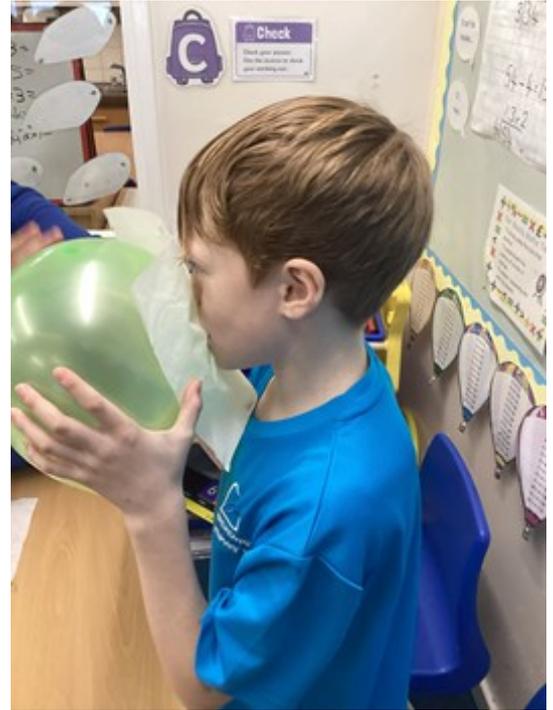


Year 4 had a brilliant time taking part in a Viking play with Rainbow Theatre leading us through this. Everyone had their own parts to play and we all learnt a lot about the Vikings!

Activities that have been taking place....



YEAR 4



Year 4 had a fantastic lesson investigating sound and the concept of sound waves. We did numerous investigations to prove this, including using a balloon to feel the vibrations of our voices and tuning forks in bowls of water to see the ripples created by the sound waves. We are now very enthusiastic to continue our science learning all about sound!

YEAR 5

Year 5 have been investigating flood proof houses and designed and made houses using structures and recycled materials that would stand up to a flood.

They first built their structures, then enjoyed testing them on the playground and finally evaluated what was successful and what they would change if they made them again.

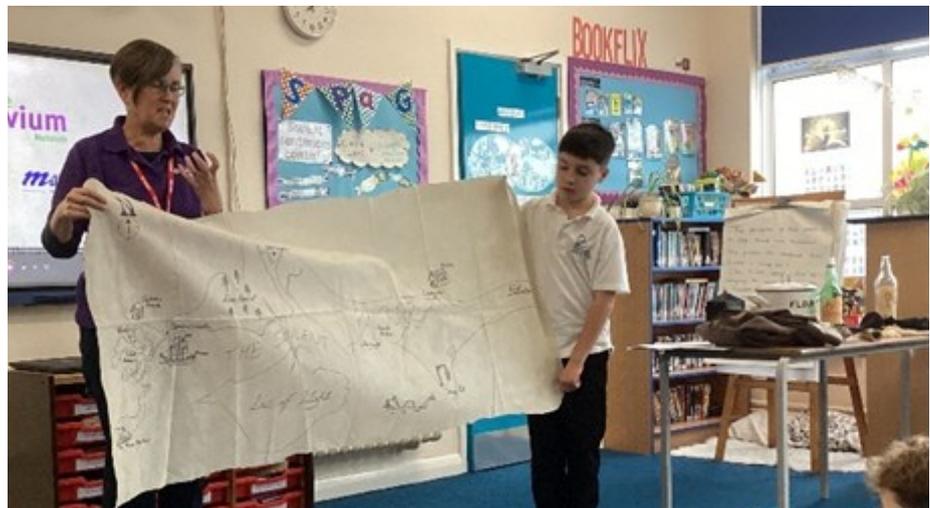
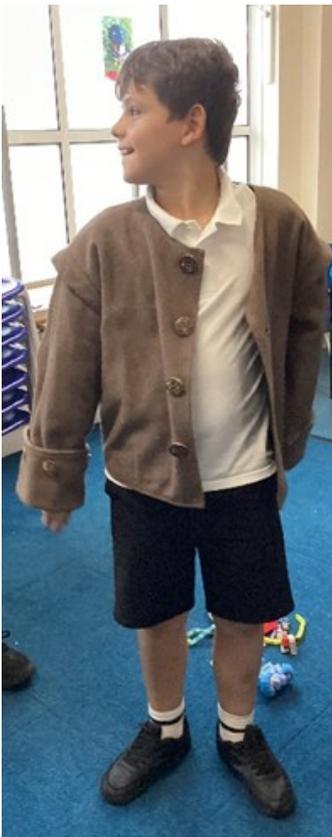




This term, year 6 enjoyed learning about the history of smuggling, led by a visitor from the Novium Museum. During the workshop, the children learnt about the greatly feared 'Hawkhurst Gang', famous for smuggling goods along the south coast. The children had the opportunity to handle historical artefacts to deepen their understanding of the processes used to transfer goods from coast to coast .



YEAR 6



5th November - Year 6 Gymnastics – 6th



Some of our year 6 children went along to the gymnastics competition where they were tasked with coming up with their own routine which required incredible skill, balance and flexibility. They also needed to perform an extremely difficult vault. They spent a lot of their own time working on their routines and executed their skills admirably – skills that the majority of us couldn't even dream of doing!

11th – Year 6 Football Tournament – 3rd

A very competitive afternoon of football unfolded at St Andrews as our year 6 team battled through the group stages as runners-up with some excellent performances against Goring (3-0), Durrington and TAB (1-1) and a crucial win against Homefield (2-0.)

In a tense semi-final against West Park, the teams could not be separated in normal or extra time and ultimately it was West Park who prevailed after a very lengthy penalty shoot-out. The boys were determined to end well and put in a strong display to beat Heene 2-0 and take 3rd place out of the 10 teams.



13th – Year 4 & 6 Cross Country relay Comps – 5th and 2nd

Our elite cross country runners went to Windlesham to compete against the very best from the public and private schools from around the area. The format saw 3 girls and 3 boys completing 1 lap each in a relay style around the wet, hilly course. The year 4 team put in an excellent performance to finish in a respectable 5th out of 7.



The year 6 team were outstanding and picked up second place and thoroughly deserved silver medals – only beaten by the national UII champions of Ardingly College.



13th – Year 3 Netball Skills Festival



A selection of our year 3 children went to Durrington High school to try a number of netball based activities. They were tested in their movement, agility, passing and shooting abilities. They had a great time and improved a lot as the afternoon progressed.

18th – Year 5-6 Girls Football Tournament – 3rd

It was the turn of the year 5&6 girls to compete at St Andrews and they were impressive in taking first place in their group. Wins against Durrington (4-0), St Marys (1-0), English Martyrs (2-0) and 0-0 draws with TAB and Homefield meant the girls set up a semi-final against West Park.

Overall, a very impressive 3rd place finish out of the 9 teams.

Unfortunately, it was de-ja-vu from the boys tournament the previous week as the semi-final ended in an agonising defeat on penalties.



Updates & Reminders

School uniform reminder

A gentle reminder that **leggings are not part of our school uniform** and should not be worn. Below is a summary of our uniform expectations:

Standard Uniform:

- **Turquoise long-sleeved round-neck sweatshirt with logo** (embroidered in royal blue and white)
 - **White short-sleeved polo shirt with logo** (embroidered in royal blue and sapphire blue)
 - **Black trousers or knee-length black skirt**
 - **White or black tights or socks** (ankle or below the knee)
- Sensible low-heeled black shoes** (no trainers except for PE)

PE Kit:

- **Sapphire blue short-sleeved round-neck cooltech t-shirt with logo** (embroidered in royal blue and white)
- **Royal blue sports shorts with logo** (embroidered in sapphire blue and white)
- **Black gym shoes or trainers** (velcro fastening for younger children; no plimsolls)
- **Plain white sports socks**

For colder weather: royal blue tracksuit with logo -

Hooded Jumper embroidered in sapphire blue and white with royal blue jogging bottoms or plain black jogging bottoms. *Plain royal blue or black sports 'skins' may be worn under shorts as an alternative to jogging bottoms.*

F@B News

Charity No 1188229



Santa's Grotto

Fun & Games

Tuck & Refreshments

Craft Stalls

Live Performances



Broadwater CofE Christmas Fair

December 5th 5:30 to 7:30

@ Broadwater CofE Primary School

Sponsored by



TERM DATES 2025/26

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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