

Broughton Community Schools

Newsletter



Friday 26th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well it has been an unprecedented week with this weather. The decision to close a school is not one that is taken lightly and those that know me and Broughton know that I do not like closing a school. However, sometimes we are left with no choice. On Tuesday we were aware of the decision of at least 10 other local schools that they were going to close for Wednesday and Thursday and this would already have meant we would have had a significant amount of staff absent to look after their own children.

Not only this but the red alert has to be taken seriously. In the cold weather I know we can warm children up, put extra layers on, turn heating up all day, close doors and windows etc and keep children inside. However, in extreme heat there are no options to cool children down. A temperature check in a classroom yesterday morning at 10am already had one of the classrooms at 31 degrees and that is without any children in it and with doors open, fans on and blinds down. It would just not be safe to keep children in school and I do hope parents understand our concerns around this.

Home learning is of course optional because even sitting in your home in this weather is going to be uncomfortable, it certainly is in my home. One thing we know we need to now consider is, with each year having more of these days of extreme heat, what can we do to avoid this and mitigate closing the school. This is something that the senior leadership team and governors will discuss soon. I do hope though in the meantime that everyone stays safe and healthy.

I would also like to mention that we have quite a number of staff who have children in school, this means that sometimes teachers, support staff and site staff might bring their child to birthday parties and events outside of school. Unfortunately, a couple of staff members have approached me about being asked questions at these events from parents about things that are happening in the schools. Obviously, this can make the staff feel quite uncomfortable but also they are asked not to talk about things outside of work either. Please remember that this is also their time away from work and they don't necessarily want to talk about those things happening in school. We do need your help with this in the future please parents and families!

We still have some exciting events coming up, on Monday some children will be performing at the Big Sing event at Turnfurlong school and some will also be taking part in District Athletics at the Stoke Mandeville stadium. I am sure these will both be really exciting and fun events to be part of and I encourage parents and families to come along to support the children at the athletics event. Two great opportunities for the children at Broughton.

Finally, I wish you a lovely weekend and I hope the weather stays warm, just not as hot as it has been over the last few days. Mr Charlie Reed

Important Notices

Due to the school closure today, the PTFA Mufti Day for the bottle tombola will be next Friday 3rd July. Children can wear their own clothes in exchange for bringing a bottle for the popular bottle tombola at BroughtonFest on Saturday 4th July. Thank you for your support.

Dates for your diary

Infant School dates

Mon 29th - 1st July - New parent transition tours
Friday 3rd July - Mufti Day for bottle tombola
Saturday 4th July - BROUGHTONFEST
Tue 7th July - Year 1 Trip to High Wycombe Museum
Tue 7th July - Kingfisher Monarch Quiz 2.30pm
Wed 8th July - Otter Class Monarch Quiz 2.30pm
Wed 15th July - Year 2 Leavers Assembly
Friday 17th July - Last day in current class
Mon 20-Wed 22nd July - Transition Days
Wed 22nd July - Rocksteady Concert 9.15am Infants
Wed 22nd July - Last day of term

Junior School dates

Mon 29th June - Big Sing event at Turnfurlong
Thursday 2nd July - Y6 IWM London Trip
Friday 3rd July - Mufti Day for bottle tombola
Saturday 4th July - BROUGHTONFEST
Tue 7th July - Year 6 Secondary Transition Day
Wed 8th July - Year 6 Secondary Transition Day
Fri 10th - Mon 13th July - Yr 5&6 Residential
Wed 15th July - Yr4 Egyptians Production 2-3pm
Thurs 16th July - Yr 4 Egyptians Production 9.30-10.30am
Mon 20-Wed 22nd July - Transition Days
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Wed 22nd July - Last day of term



Infant School Certificates

Our school value for this half term is resilience.

Reception

12.6.26

Leo- For persevering with his sentence writing

19.06.26

Albee- for working really hard with his reading and writing.

Bonnie - For showing resilience by trying all the activities at Sports Day.

Other certificates:

Bronze: Kairo, Layne

Silver: Jacob, Eden

Gold: Jayden, Mihai

Year 1

19.06.26

Al-Hadi - for showing resilience and working hard in Maths.

Pablo - for showing great resilience in phonics and with his reading.

Other certificates:

Handwriting: Evelyn

Silver: Neharikha, Hasnain R

Gold: Macie, Oscar

Year 2

19.06.26

Faizan - for being resilient with his presentation, which is improving.

Nicholas - for the resilience he showed with his writing of the recount of Windsor Castle.

Other certificates:

Bronze Reader: Jaxon **Gold Reader:** Ralph **Outstanding Reader:** Lewis & Rayan

Handwriting: Edith & Arlo.

Headteacher Award: Bhuvan & Izabela

33 Club: Pearl **44 Club:** Joshua **66 Club:** Max, Tommy & Isaiah

Class Attendance Award

Week 1 - Year 2 Kingfisher

Junior School Certificates

Our school value for this half term is resilience.

Year 3

19.06.26

Safiya - for never giving up in Maths, even when it is tricky.

Isa- For trying his absolute best at sports day.

Other certificates:

66 Club - Roman, 77 Club - Joshua B, 99 Club - Yoel

Year 4

19.06.26

Ryan - for not giving up on sports day helping red house to their first victory in many years

Mohammed - For having a positive and resilient attitude towards learning.

Other certificates:

99 club: 66 - Jamie, 88 - Lyla, 99 - Ella, Silver - Hari

Year 5

19.06.26

Kyra - for always showing resilience and determination especially in maths and making great progress

Chloe - for always working hard and never giving up

Year 6

19.06.26

Ama - for being a wonderful example of what it means to be resilient.

Alfie - for being brave and facing his fears on the rides at Chessington

Headteacher Award: Luqman, Ophelia and Joyshaanaa

Class Attendance Award

Week 1 - Year 3 Albatross

Times tables Rock Stars Champions

Class of the week - Year 6 Jaguar

Player of the week - Dougie - Year 5 - Panda

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SEND support at Broughton

I am Mrs Kitchen the Inclusion Manager across both the Infant and Junior sites of Broughton Community Schools. If you need to contact me, you can do so via the school offices by telephone on 01296 423276 (Juniors)/ (01296) 415642 (Infants) or by email: office@broughton.bucks.sch.uk office@broughtoninfant.bucks.sch.uk



This Week's Focus: **Supporting Transition for Children with SEND**

Moving to a new year group or starting secondary school can be both exciting and challenging, particularly for children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Changes in routines, environments and expectations can sometimes cause anxiety, so preparing early and working together can help make the transition as smooth as possible.

Within school we have already begun the process of supporting children that we feel would benefit from enhanced transition and will continue to do so until the transition days at the end of term. This is done through regular visits to the year groups they are going into, to become familiar with the new environment. Teachers will begin to visit their new classes and read a story to them to begin building that relationship that is so important, so that on the last 3 days of term, they will already know a little bit about each other. Over the summer, some children will be given a photobook to bring home, so that you can spend some time with your child looking at the new year group environment, as well as staff. This really helps in those few days before they come back to school. Staff one-page profiles will also be sent home at the end of term so that you can read over this with your child before the transition days.

For those children going to secondary school, some have been offered additional transition days or sessions, in addition to the County transition days. In school we have had 627 providing the children with key information about what to expect and the opportunity to talk about their feelings and ask any question they might have.

Behind the scenes, staff will be handing over key information to the new teachers and LSAs, so that they are as prepared as possible to support those pupils. Where Key Adults support children extra time will be spent handing that information over. Through these opportunities we aim to help every child feel safe, confident and ready for the next stage of their educational journey.



How can families support?

- ★ Initiate some positive talk about learning and school, foster some excitement about the learning adventure ahead! Discuss what will stay the same as well as what will be different.
 - ★ Engage your child in some prep e.g. buying new school shoes, choosing a new pencil case, going to the library to research topics a week or two before school starts back.
 - ★ Pack the school bag together.
 - ★ Engage your child in choice of snack/packed lunch/hot meal choice.
 - ★ Engage your child in school uniform prep so all ready for the morning.
 - ★ A week or so before returning to school, begin getting into a routine for school e.g. earlier bedtimes, getting dressed in the morning
 - ★ Early night before school starts.
 - ★ Early get up to support the school routine to start well.
 - ★ Let your child know where you will be whilst they are at school. Be explicit about how you will remember them whilst they are at school.
 - ★ Pop an encouragement note in their school bag for them to open once there.
 - ★ At the end of day ask your child to let you know a favourite part of their day and a tricky part of their day and
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- The illustration shows a young boy with brown hair, wearing a blue school uniform, sitting on the edge of his bed and packing a blue school bag. The bag has the 'Broughton Community Schools' logo. On the desk next to him are a blue water bottle, a pencil case, and a stack of books. The room has a window with blue curtains, a shelf with a trophy and a plant, and a poster on the wall that says 'Inspiring Excellence, Building Futures'. There are also small cards on the wall that say 'Be Kind, Be Your Best, Be Proud'.
- ★ Using visual timetables, social stories or countdown calendars can help children understand and prepare for the changes ahead.

For pupils moving to secondary school, visiting the new setting, practising travel arrangements, and talking through daily routines can help to build confidence and reduce worries. Encouraging children to share any questions or concerns will also help them feel listened to and supported.

If you have any questions or would like additional support with your child's transition, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher, LSA supporting in the class or myself, using the above contact details.

What's been happening in Year 5?

Year 5 have been working hard focussing on the topic of 'Groundbreaking Greeks'. We have explored the lasting legacy of the Ancient Greeks including the Olympics, Greek architecture and the concept of Democracy. As part of our learning, we had an excellent workshop delivered by Portals to the Past where children were given the chance to re-enact key events from the past and handle some Ancient Greek artefacts.



We were also lucky enough to welcome members of the Buckinghamshire Fire Service and Detectives from the British Transport Police as part of our emergency services day. The children learnt about how to keep themselves safe when faced with an emergency and put their detective skills to the test. They also got to see a Fire truck and police van up close as well as trying on some police uniform.



Family Hub Open Sessions

Save the date

Free activities for young people up to 10 years old

- Arts and crafts
- Outdoor activities
- and more

If you have any questions, email
Aylesburyfamilyhub@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Friday 31 July	Tuesday 4 August	Tuesday 11 August	Thursday 20 August	Tuesday 25 August
10am to 12 midday	1:30pm to 3:30pm	10am to 12 midday	1:30pm to 3:30pm	10am to 12 midday
Southcourt Family Hub	Berryfields Family Hub	Buckingham Youth Centre	Best Start Family Hub Elmhurst	Wing Family Hub

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Free Youth and Children's Courses

Our free online and in-person courses help children and young people understand and manage their emotions better, so they can handle life's changes more easily.

MOVING UP TO SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YEAR 6'S

- Explores what to expect at secondary school.
- Learn skills to make friends, deal with peer pressure and address any worries about the move.
- Practical tips about getting organised.

HOW TO BUILD CONFIDENCE AND SELF-ESTEEM

11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25 WITH SEND)

- Explore ways to increase confidence and self-esteem.
- How to deal with peer pressure and setbacks.
- Explores how the online world affects self-esteem.

HOW TO COPE WITH STRESS, ANXIETY AND LOW MOOD

11 TO 19 YEAR OLDS (UP TO 25 WITH SEND)

- Introduces creative strategies to feel better and to deal with setbacks.
- Helps young people plan for a brighter future.

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