

Broughton Community Schools

Newsletter



Friday 12th December 2025

Dear parents and carers,

Our final newsletter of this Autumn Term. This is the longest term out of all three but we have almost made it to the end now.

This last week or so has seen the school manage some quite large outbreaks of flu, colds and chicken pox across the schools. Some days we have experienced nearly 60 children off across various year groups. I want to reassure parents that I have been in contact with Public Health Bucks and the measures we are taking are appropriate. Once a bug or virus is in school it can be hard to stop and curtail but we are putting in place measures to try and tackle this. Thankfully it is mostly quite mild in most cases and children are making quick recoveries. I am hoping that for those who are not recovering quickly that you all feel better soon and that we get through all of this in time for Christmas!

For guidance for parents on both of these illnesses please use the NHS link below:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

In other news we have to mention a special milestone for a member of the staff team. Mrs Teresa Giffen has officially completed 25 years of service at Broughton this week - what an incredible achievement and just imagine the thousands of children she has supported through the schools over the years. Thank you Mrs Giffen for everything you have done and continue to do for the children, staff and parents.

This is the first newsletter since our brilliant Winter Warmer event and I would just like to add what a brilliant event it was. I would like to thank all of the PTFA members but in particular: Monica, Sue, Katherine and Carys who go above and beyond all of the time for the schools. I would also like to thank all the staff and volunteers who gave up their time to help support the event and those who came along to spend their hard earned money to help the schools. Thank you everyone!

Finally, a special mention to Mrs Batts, Miss Bateman and the Year 5 and 6 girls' football team - what an achievement in winning last week's schools mini football tournament. And to do this without even conceding a goal - what a group of players and what coaching - another sporting success for Broughton!

So this is it from me this term - Christmas is about family and enjoying our time with each other. I hope that you manage to do this and that it is enjoyable for you all. Stay safe everyone and have the best Christmas break if I don't speak to you beforehand.

Mr Charlie Reed

Important notices

Term dates

Term Dates for the Academic Year 2026-2027 are now on the school website and you can view them using this link

<https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/broughton-community-schools/UploadedDocument/dcd595b9-49b5-489c-bbca-83a61b69d0de/term-dates-2026-2027.pdf>

Waterside Theatre Trip

Next Wednesday is our whole school trip to the Waterside Theatre to see Jack and the Beanstalk. Children are welcome to wear a Christmas jumper with full mufti (their own clothes).

Dates for your diary

Infant School dates

Wed - 17th Dec - Waterside Theatre Panto
Friday 19th Dec - Break up for Christmas holidays
Mon 5th Jan - INSET DAY
Tues 6th Jan - Children back to school
Thursday 5th Feb 18.30-20.00 - Parent & Carer Internet
Safety virtual session for ALL YEAR GROUPS
Friday 13th Feb - Break up for half term
Monday 23rd Feb - Children Back to School

Junior School dates

Wed 17th Dec - Waterside Theatre Panto
Friday 19th Dec - Break up for Christmas holidays
Mon 5th Jan - INSET DAY
Tues 6th Jan - Children back to school
Thursday 5th Feb 18.30-20.00 - Parent & Carer
Internet Safety virtual session for ALL YEAR GROUPS
Friday 13th Feb - Break up for half term
Monday 23rd Feb - Children Back to School

Infant School Certificates

Our school value for this half term is kindness.

Reception

05.12.25

Jacob - for being a kind friend and helping to tidy up

Layne - for working so hard with his phonics

12.12.25

Meredith- for being very kind and helping her friends in the classroom.

Sophie - for always being a kind and helpful friend.

Other certificates:

Bronze - Charlotte, Jacob, Charlie-James, Leo, Julia, Anaya M, Jayden E-W, Lucy, Theo M, Meredith, Mabel, Sophie, Evelyn, Maisie and Jayden.

Year 1

05.12.25

Caira - for being a caring, helpful and kind member of our class.

Mattias - for helping others and caring for friends on the playground.

12.12.25

Gracie-Lou - for being kind and looking after others.

Amira - for being a kind and caring classmate.

Other certificates:

Handwriting - Gracie-Lou, Reyansh, Jed

Bronze - Riley, Hassnain, Caira, Macie, Theodore, Rhys, Bodhi

Year 2

05.12.25

Bruno for being so kind towards another child, sharing his Chromebook and looking after him.

Rayan - for being a kind, honest and helpful member of the class.

12.12.25

Aurora - for being a thoughtful friend and showing determination with her learning.

Christian for being kind towards others but also for introducing the Christmas play.

Other certificates:

Bronze Reader: Evie.

44 Club: Alfie, Aadhav.

33 Club: Bhuvan, Onsi.

22 Club: Louie, Harriet, Alfie, Edith, Rhyom.

11 Club: Harrison & Christian.

Class Attendance Award

Week 1 - Koala Class - 95.9%

Week 2 - Kingfisher Class - 90.33%

TEAM POINTS LEADERBOARD	
1st	Yellow
2nd	Red
3rd	Green
4th	Blue

Junior School Certificates

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Year 3

05.12.25

Elena- being kind to a friend by helping them with their Maths.

Henry - for always being considerate of his classmates.

12.12.25

Maisy - for always showing kindness to others.

David- For being incredibly kind all the time.

Other certificates:

Bronze reader - Henry, Ivy, Vedika, Leo, Joshua B, Emily B, Emily G, Amy, Sam, Khadijah, Zoha, Wednesday, Bella

Silver reader- Chloe

Silver teampoints - Arlo, Elena, Fareed, Jackson

Bronze teampoints - Henry, Leo, Joshua S, Isa, Hope, Rory

33 Club - Robyn, 66 Club - Leo, Arthur 99 Club - Mrithini

Year 4

05.12.25

Caiden - for always being kind and helpful to Mrs Eden-Fry and his classmates.

Oliver - For always being a kind member of the class with a positive attitude towards learning.

12.12.25

Athena - For being kind and supportive towards friends and staff.

Tommy - for always being kind and helpful in the classroom

Other certificates:

Bronze Reader - Theo, Matias

Team Points Bronze - Eliza, Mohammed, Matias, Jack, Skye Sliver- Abigail

55 club- Affan, Tommy 66 club - Aminah, Jack, Poppy 99 club- Hari Bronze - Ana, Silver - Adam

Year 5

05.12.25

Star of the week - IBK for showing kindness by holding the door open for myself and other students.

Krish - for looking after others when they are upset

12.12.25

Lexi - For being a kind and caring friend

Other certificates:

66 club- Elia

66 club - Amber, 77 club - Piers, Chloe 88 club - Krish, Bronze award - Sophia, Platinum award - Oliver

Ensuring every child THRIVES

Bronze team points - Noah, Darcey Silver team points - Anayah

Bronze award, Vibhu, Piers, Josh, Darcey, Lianne

Reader of the week - Beatrice for giving detailed answers when answering guided reading questions.

Reader of the week - Neave, for writing a fantastic review about the Christmasaurus

Year 6

05.12.25

Ilyas - for always being kind and considerate of others.

Immie - for always being a kind a thoughtful member of the class.

12.12.25

Ella-Mae - for demonstrating kindness and being a good friend.

Other certificates:

Bronze award - Isabella - 50 team points

Silver award - Thea - 100 team points

66 Club - Tatenda

Class Attendance Award

Week 1 - Year 3 Albatross - 99.3% (Great effort!)

Week 2 - Year 3 Penguin - 97.6%

Times tables Rock Stars Champions

Class of the week - Week 1 - Year 4 - Narwhal

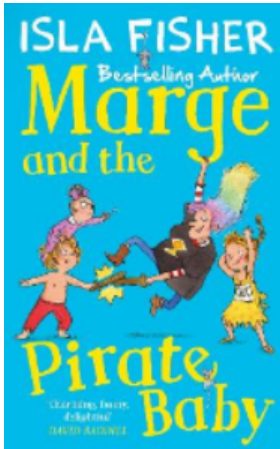
Player of the week - Week 1 - Aminah - Year 4 Narwhal

Class of the week - Week 2 - Year 6 - Jaguar

Player of the week - Week 2 - Hari - Year 4 Narwhal

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Blogging with Reading Cloud



Since September, as an alternative to paper reading records, children in Year 5 and 6 have been using an online system for recording their reading. They have been encouraged to write blogs and book reviews as they read and we have had some fantastic entries. Here is an example from Isabella in Panda class who wrote a review about Marge and the Pirate Baby by Isla Fisher. We hope to be able to share more of these in the weeks to come.

I chose this book because it looked very good . I thought when I first picked it up that it was going to be about a baby that was a pirate , but it was about a girl called Jemima Button. She has an annoying brother called Jake , they also have a dog called Archie and a mum and a dad . Jemima and Jake are twins. One day a baby called Zara comes to the house, she is very cheeky. Jake and Jemima are not very happy about the baby coming .Also a babysitter comes and looks after the children, they play pirates. Zara gets up to some mischief and puts the fairy castle into pieces .The babysitter's name is Marge, she takes the twins to the pool. They see friends on the way, they take lemonade with them, they also take their dog. In another chapter they meet the baby at the pool, Marge shows them her rainbow hair .They go to a wedding and Zara takes the rings, she runs away!

I really enjoyed this book, the best bit was when Zara did a massive jump and splashed everyone in the swimming pool.

I think this book would be good for children aged 6 and above. I laughed so much at this book!

Well done, Isabella. A great book review.

What's been happening in Reception?

This term our topic is Animal Safari and we have been up to so much!



Phunky foods have come in to visit us. We explored the fruits in Handa's Surprise. We made fruit faces, and tried guava, orange, mango, passion fruit, pineapple, avocado and banana. We learnt about the Eatwell Guide, and discussed different foods and how they help our bodies. We learnt about having treats in moderation. Lez shared with us the Strive for 5 which is about trying to have 5 portions of fruit and vegetables daily. The children suggested new things to try, including how to have a healthy breakfast. An example we were given was a bowl of porridge oats to give you energy for longer, and adding different toppings. Here is us tasting the rainbow...



We had Zoolab come in with his African minibeasts. We were brave and held or stroked many animals such as: A Madagascan Hissing Cockroach, a Giant Millipede, Corn snake, Moroccan gerbil and a Giant African Land Snail and others. We discussed their habitats and the types of food they like to eat. We also discussed how to care for our environment and look after the animals.



We have also performed our Christmas Medley to our grownups. It was our first time on stage and we were fantastic!



What's been happening in Year 3?

Year 3 news

What a fun half term we have had in Year 3! First, on a very cold day in November, we enjoyed a trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum to learn more about the Iron Age. We were able to take part in an archaeological dig to find clues about the past, grind oats into flour, make pots and attempt to make butter! We had such a fun day!



Next, we really enjoyed performing our songs to the parents even if we were too fast in the Twelve Days of Christmas! It was great to see so many parents join in our Christmas crafts.



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 TO BOOK YOUR PLACE → **01296 383582** OR SCAN the QR code or CLICK on the [course code link](#) below

YEARS 3 & 4

READING & COMPREHENSION
 Support your child with Reading and comprehension (6 weeks)
 Mon 5th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMRC059**



MATHS
 Support your child's understanding of Shape, Data & Measure (6 weeks)
 Wed 7th Jan - Wed 11th Feb
 6:30pm - 8:30pm
 Course code: **FMS088**

YEARS 5 & 6

READING COURSE
 Creative ways to engage children in reading and making sense of text (6 weeks)
 Tue 6th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
 Thurs 8th Jan - Thurs 12th Feb
 Choose from 1 of these 2 dates
 6:30pm - 8:30pm
 Course code: **FMRC091**

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6

WELLBEING
 Help your child to stay safe when playing games, doing homework or meeting friends online (4 weeks)
 Tue 13th Jan - Tue 3rd Feb
 12:30pm - 2:30pm
 Course code: **FMWB090**

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RECEPTION - YEAR 6

ADHD Tips to support your child at home (2 hours)
 Wed 14th Jan
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMAC135**

AUTISM Tips to support your child at home (2 hours)
 Mon 19th Jan
 7pm - 9pm
 Course code: **FMAC134**

RECEPTION


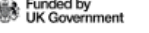
PHONICS & READING
 Support your child with Phonics and Reading (5 weeks)
 Mon 12th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
 Tue 13th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
 Thur 15th Jan - Thur 12th Feb
 Choose from 1 of these 3 dates
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMPR063**

YEARS 1 & 2

PHONICS & READING Support your child with Phonics and Reading (6 weeks)
 Mon 5th Jan - Mon 9th Feb
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMPR064**

Wed 7th Jan - Wed 11th Feb
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMPR064**

MATHS
 Support your child's understanding of Shape, Data & Measure (6 weeks)
 Tue 6th Jan - Tue 10th Feb
 9:30am - 11:30am
 Course code: **FMS047**

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RUGBY FUN MORNING

AYLESBURY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

DESIGNED FOR NEW PLAYERS

COME & TRY GIRLS RUGBY

FOR GIRLS IN YEARS 1 TO 7
 FREE GOODIE BAG - FREE HOT CHOCOLATE - FREE HOT DOG - FREE SANTA HAT
 FREE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2025/26 SEASON

10:30 AM - 12 PM | DECEMBER 14TH | AYLESBURY RFC



UDO IT! DANCE FOUNDATION

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 MAKING STREET DANCE ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL

WINTER HAF STREETDANCE CAMP **FREE**

UDOIT Dance Foundation is back for the 3rd year of running their FREE HAF street dance camp for children on benefit related FSM!

Hawkslade Community Centre
 Barley Crescent Aylesbury, HP219YL

29th, 30th, 31st December 2025
 10am-2pm
 Ages 7-13yrs

For more info email & sign ups
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<https://www.holidayactivities.com/>