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Welcome to our latest newsletter!

Hopefully you will have read the letter that was sent out this morning regarding some staffing changes happening after Christmas. If you have any questions please contact school.

Thank you for your donations this week for the Peace in Mind campaign. Our children wore pink this week in celebration of what would have been Brianna's Ghey's 18th birthday. Your support for this was very much appreciated.

We had one of our School Improvement Partners (SIP) in school on Wednesday who looked at the quality of our reading through school as well as our Relationships and Health Education. Our SIP has made the following comments.

- The impact of the reading curriculum is very strong. Outcomes are outstanding.
- Reading and books have a high profile at Bruche. Reading areas, both in classrooms and in communal areas, are engaging and inviting. Books are displayed in a way which encourages pupils to want to read them.
- In the RHE lessons visited, teachers were following the MHM curriculum and pupils were engaged in the learning.
- Pupils could explain healthy and unhealthy relationships.
- Pupils know that everyone is welcome at their school. They recognise the importance of being kind to others.

You'll agree these are lovely comments made about our children and staff!

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Mr Jones

Communication Corner

Diary Dates

04.11.2024 School re-opens

07.11.2024 Wear Pink for Peace. Children to wear pink and bring £1 (non-uniform)

12.11.2024 Chester Zoo Trip Y4 and Y6

18.11.2024 Children in Need- own clothes day, cake sale, games

20.11.2024 New Reception Starters 2025 Open Evening 5pm

21.11.2024 Individual School photographs

22.11.2024 Year 6 Chemistry with Cabbage

28.11.2024 Flu Immunisations Nursery-Y6

07.12.2024 Christmas Fair

09.12.2024 Catch up flu immunisations

12.12.2024 14.00 EYFS Performance

13.12.2024 14.00 EYFS Performance

17.12.2024 09.30 and 15.30 KS1 performances

18.12.2024 09.30 and 15.30 KS2 performances

20.12.2024 Toy day/ party day/ Christmas Jumper day

20.12.2024 School Closes for Christmas

06.01.2025 School re-opens

14.02.2024 School closes for the half term break

24.02.2024 School reopens

Abcd = New addition to the diary dates

Abcd = parents attendance

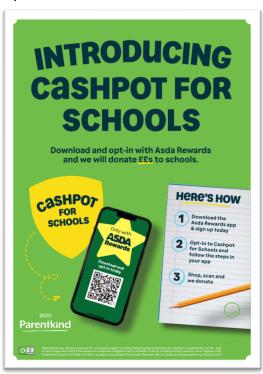
Abcd = PTA events

Asda Cashpots for School- We need you!

Asda are working with Parentkind to offer support to school PTAs. It is incredibly simple to help and will cost you absolutely nothing! The school cash pot is linked to your Asda Rewards account so when you buy something from Asda, Asda will donate money to our school cashpot!

We currently have £548.42 in our pot already and have 22 days left to build up that total which will go towards our PTA events for our children!

Please see how to help below...





Friday 15th November - Children in Need

Next Friday, the children are invited to come into school in their own clothes (Children in need themed if they wish!)

They do not need to bring in a £1 donation to wear their own clothes but can bring in some money to spend during the day as there will be a cake sale and some fun games and activities such as bear pong, a raffle and a treasure hunt!

Each activity will be priced at 50p.

Special Mentions

Nursery- Jamie Kenwright – Jamie was fantastic this week during phonics and was able to finish our rhyming sentences.

Well Done Jamie!

Reception- My star of the week this week is going to be awarded to **Edward Clancy.** Edward has worked really hard on his letter formation this week and has labelled pictures using his knowledge of sounds. Well done, Ted!

- Year 1- George Jones for trying his best with his Maths and number formation! Well done!
- **Year 2 Sonny T and Georgie** for their fantastic listening skills and sensible behaviour when on the carpet.
- Year 3 Connor for his fabulous contributions to our RHE lessons this week!
- Year 4 Thomas Carroll for his great effort in his writing this week
- Year 5 Paige Reeson for her amazing vocabulary during our Whole Class Shared Read Lesson!
- **Year 6 Jake Featherstone -** for being a great ambassador for reading at school.

Early Years News

Nursery

Welcome back to you all! It has been lovely to hear about all the lovely things you have been doing and we have enjoyed looking at all of the wonderful Autumn activities you have completed.

We have had a lovely first week back. The children have been identifying the signs of Autumn, they have created beautiful Autumnal trees, leaf prints and prickly hedgehogs.

We have been talking about all of the animals that we see during Autumn months and we have been learning about why they have been collecting so much food.

In maths we have been counting amounts and matching numbers using a range of Autumn objects and we have been listening for words that rhyme within songs as well as when playing the game silly soup.

The children enjoyed finding out about Guy Fawkes and why we celebrate Bonfire Night and we were very impressed with how many different things they could remember about staying safe when watching fireworks.

We have also read the story of Rama and Sita and the children have created some lovely artwork demonstrating some of the ways in which Diwali is celebrated including playdough Diya lamps, collaged Diya holders and Rangoli patterns.

The children all looked fabulous in their pink for peace clothes and to finish off our week we have been making our own poppies to remember all the brave men and women that helped to protect our country.

What a busy first week back!

Well Done Nursery, have a lovely weekend.

Mrs. Wallace

Reception

Hello everyone,

We have had a fun filled week in reception this week with learning and celebrating Diwali and all of the Bonfire events. The children have been learning about the festival of lights and have been completing a range of activities including making diya lamps with play dough and Rangoli patterns with mixed objects. The children have been using their pattern making skills to make repeating pattern.

In maths the children have been comparing objects using 5 frames to compare numbers. The children have been using a range of mathematical language to explain who has the most and who has the least.

We have also done a lesson all about kindness and have made a love heart for our friends to say why they are kind.

The children have also been introduced to a new text called 'The Leaf Thief'. We have looked at the front cover and used our knowledge of sounds to label the characters in the story.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Miss Bostock

Key Stage 1 News

Year 1

Welcome back everyone! This week we have had a lovely week in Year 1!

In Maths, we have revisited number bonds. Year 1 worked hard to revisit number bonds to 4 and 5 using different practical activities. We used a cup and some pom poms to help remind ourselves of the number bonds to 4 and to 5. We shook our cup and threw the pom poms on our table. We were able to say the number bonds quickly too. We started to notice a pattern when listing our number bonds and quickly realised it was easy to recognise what number fact was next. Later on in the week we made number bond bracelets to help us to identify number bonds to 7 and we used a bead string to recognise number bonds to 8 and 9!

In Writing this week we enjoyed finding out what the Naughty Bus had been up to over half term. We saw some pictures of the bus and where he had been. We all agreed he had been very cheeky and we decided to write down some sentences explaining what the bus had done wrong. We used adjectives to describe what he had done and tried hard to remember capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. On Thursday we looked at the meaning of different words such as past, present, chronology and wrote down definitions for this.

In RHE, we learnt that there are different character strengths that we all have that make us special and unique. We drew pictures to give examples of how we can show kindness, love, honesty, bravery, learning, teamwork and loving our world. We gave some great examples of this!

In Science, we looked at the weather across the year and created our own graph to show what happens to the daylight in the different seasons and months.

In Geography we looked at our local area on an aerial map. We talked about what a bird's eye view is and were able to look at the map and identify places and objects on a map. We created our own list of what we could see, trying to remember a capital letter for any places we could find.

On Thursday we wore pink for peace and show our support for Brianna. We talked about how important it is to show kindness and discussed what we could do to show kindness each day. We also talked about peace and what this means to us.

Year 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic first week back!

In Maths, we finished our learning on place value by practising counting in 5's and 3's. We completed our end of unit assessment and everybody tried really hard to remember all of the learning we did last term. We then started learning our new addition and subtraction unit by practising our addition and subtraction facts within 10.

In English, we have started looking at our new story 'Major Glad, Major Dizzy'. We looked at the front cover and wrote compound sentences about all the different things we could see. We tried hard to remember our capital letters, fingers spaces and conjunctions. I was very proud of how much effort lots of children were putting into their handwriting!

In PSHE, we started our new topic on 'Celebrate'. We learnt that there are five character strengths and it is these character strengths that make us all special and unique. We thought about which character strength we use the most often and how we use these strengths in different situations. In RE we finished our learning on our Christianity (God) topic by learning how everyone, religious or non-religious, can look after the world, and the little actions we can all do to protect it.

In Science, we carried on our learning on materials by thinking about the suitability of different materials for different objects. We used different spinners to pick a material and an object and decided if this would be a good match or not. We justified our reasoning by thinking about the properties of different materials and how this affects their suitability.

Homework

Our spelling homework this week looks at some Year 1 and Year 2 common exception words. For English, our homework focuses on writing sentences with 'and' or 'but' while our maths homework is all about addition and subtraction within 10.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Johnson

Key Stage 2 News

Year 3

In English this week, we looked at creating out own What Am I? riddles using verbs we have explored that relate to different animals. The children then looked at each other's riddles and tried to figure out what animal they were describing. We have also looked at using speech marks when writing dialogue to prepare us for writing a letter from the little boy in Seal Surfer, to his grandad.

In maths we have moved onto our addition and subtraction topic and started to recap number facts. We have looked at number bonds to 10 and acknowledged that if we know our number bonds to 10, then we will know our number bonds to 100 as we are just making the number 10 times bigger. In RHE, we have continued to look at different kinds of families and the different people who are in our family. We drew our own family tree and then talked about what celebrations we take part in in our own family.

In shared reading we started our new book, Count. We have started with making our initial prediction on the book based on the front cover and the blurb.

In our spelling lessons, we have focused more on the 'ei' phoneme and practiced writing sentences with this in. We have also looked at homophones of words and started practicing understanding the difference.

It has also been assessment wee this week and the children have worked so hard at completing these!

Homework to be completed by Friday 15th November

LbQ- English and Maths. Reading Plus- 2 stories or 2 available tasks at 80% or above. Mrs Hogan

Year 4

This week has been assessment week in Year 4 and the children have worked very hard, well done.

In Maths, we have been looking at rounding and have been practising rounding to 10 and then to 100.

In English, we have started to look at our new class novel 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe'. We have looked at the front cover and the blurb and used our inference and prediction skills to work out what we think the book is about. We then have started the first chapter and learnt about some of the background to the story around World War II.

In Science, we have started to look at the digestive system and the children first looked at what they thought the organs were in the digestive system and had a go at drawing what they thought it looked like. We then went through all the different parts and their names before we look at the functions next week.

In Music, we have started to learn Christmas songs in preparation for our Christmas show on the ukulele.

Homework

LBQ - Maths rounding task Reading Plus x 2 3 x Reads in diaries

Mrs Shone

Year 5

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely 2 week break!

This week we have gotten straight back into the swing of things! We have started our new maths topic based on addition. We began by using known facts to work out larger sums e/g/ if we know that 4 + 5 = 9, we also know that 40,000 + 50,000 = 90,000.

In writing, we read Queen of the Falls - a book all about Annie Edson Taylor, the first person to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel. She did this to become rich and famous. We will be writing a newspaper article about this stunt over the coming week.

In science, we dissected lilies so that we could identify the sexual reproductive parts of a plant. We will be learning about the process of this reproduction.

In RE, we learnt the importance of the Lord's Prayer to Christians. We then analysed the prayer and the meaning behind each line, in particular why Christians refer to God as the 'Father'.

HOMEWORK: This week the children will be expected to complete the two Learning By Questions Tasks (one English, one Maths) and 2 Reading Plus lessons over 80%.

Mrs Ratcliffe

Year 6

Year 6 have been working on their new WCSR text, Wonder, this week. They have been carrying out predictions, using inferences and showing empathy for the main character, August, by researching the symptoms of his disease.

In English, ready for anti-bullying week, the children have begun to look at manifestos and how they could make Bruche an even better school to attend.

The children have also been looking at the character strengths in more detail in RHE, researching how their strengths make them unique and how their specific strengths help build their future and their relationships.

In Science, the children completed their evolution topic by investigating how latitude affects adaptation - next week, the children will be celebrating the end of their topic by seeing evolution in action at Chester Zoo.

In Maths, the children have been recapping on BIDMAS, the 4 operations of fractions and increasing by percentages.

Mr Gould

Lunch Menu w/c 08.11.24 Week 2





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Term Dates 2024-2025

	Closing Date	Opening Date
Autumn 2024		04.09.24
Autumn Half Term	18.10.24	04.11.24
Christmas 2023	20.12.24	06.01.25
Spring Half Term 2024	14.02.25	24.02.25
Easter	11.04.25	22.04.25
Bank Holidays (Good Friday and Easter Monday)	18.04.25 and 21.04.25	
Bank Holiday (May Day)	05.05.25	
Summer Half Term	23.05.25	02.06.2025
Summer 2024	18.07.25	03.09.25

INSET (Training days for staff – children not in school)

INSET 1	02.09.24
INSET 2	03.09.24
INSET 3	27.06.25
INSET 4	21.07.25
INSET 5	22.07.25

Holiday Dates		
October Half Term	18.10.24 – 03.11.24	
Christmas Holiday	20.12.24 – 05.01.25	
February Half Term	14.02.25 – 23.02.25	
Easter Holiday	11.04.25 – 21.04.25	
May Half Term (Whit)	23.05.25 – 01.06.25	
Summer Holiday	18.07.25- 03.09.25	



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Term Dates 2025-2026

	Closing Date	Opening Date
Autumn 2024		03.09.25
Autumn Half Term	17.10.25	03.11.25
Christmas 2024	19.12.25	05.01.26
Spring Half Term 2024	13.02.26	23.02.26
Easter	02.04.26	13.04.26
Bank Holidays (Good Friday and Easter Monday)	03.04.26 and 06.04.26	
Bank Holiday (May Day)	04.05.26	
Summer Half Term	22.05.26	01.06.26
Summer 2025	17.06.26	(TBC)

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INSET 2	02.09.25
INSET 3	03.07.26
INSET 4	20.07.26
INSET 5	21.07.26

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October Half Term	20.10.25 - 31.10.25	
Christmas Holiday	22.12.25 – 02.01.26	
February Half Term	16.02.26 – 20.02.26	
Easter Holiday	03.04.26 – 10.04.26	
May Half Term (Whit)	25.05.26 – 29.05.26	
Summer Holiday	20.07.26 - TBC	





Music is a compulsory and important part of the National Curriculum. The national curriculum for music aims to ensure that all pupils: perform, listen to, review and evaluate music.

From September 2022 Early Notes Music Education will be able to offer support to students with small group and one to one instrumental tuition for the following...

Ukulele For KS1 & KS2 students

Guitar For KS2 students

Keyboard For KS1 & KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Flute For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Recorder (all ranges) For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Violin For KS2 students (all students will learn to read notation)

Drum Kit For KS1 & KS2 students

Tuition prices start from £65 for 12 sessions, all lessons are held within school during lesson time. The 12 sessions will usually fit into a school term and lessons will be carried over should a term be less than 12 weeks.

For further information about Early Notes Music, details about specific instrumental lessons or to enroll for September, you can do this direct via our website www.earlynotesmusic.education

