



## **Bruche Primary School Academy – 06/06/2025**

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### Good Afternoon,

This week, we have been quality assured by our MAT school improvement partner, who came in to focus on the curriculum areas of Geography and Art. Our SIP was impressed by the quality of the education in both subjects and also with our new style of pupil voice delivery.

Both behaviour and attitude to learning across the school was commended.

Year 4 have been showing great determination and dedication over the last few weeks, as they have prepared for their multiplication check. Mrs Shone has worked wonders in preparing the children to perform the way the have!

Thanks again for your tremendous support with the Own Clothes Day today – the funds raised through these initiatives go a long way and make a big difference to the tightening school budgets. We have now also raised £900 worth of books for the school from the book fair – thank you so much for your support with this in helping to promote our love of reading at Bruche.

It is with great sadness that I am announcing that Mrs McHugh will be retiring at the end of the academic year after an amazing 22 years off service. Her commitment and dedication to the Bruche community has been admirable and she has been a large part in driving our school to the successful position it is now in.

She has touched so many young hearts, giving our children the best possible start through her nurturing, humour and kindness. We hope that you will wish her well before she moves onto enjoy her well-deserved retirement.

Also Miss Gooch will sadly be departing at the end of the year after 4 years of service to begin her journey as a trainee teacher. Miss Gooch is well on her way to a bright future in education and with her dedication, enthusiasm and empathetic nature, she will make an excellent teacher and we all wish her great success.

Please keep an eye on the rugby final this week as you may catch some of our Y5 children leading out as mascots. Good luck Wire!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr Gould

## **Diary Dates**

### **Summer Term 1**

## 22.04.2025 School Opens

23.04.2025 Tempest class photographs (EYFS-Year 6)

**24.04.2025** Year 2 Parent's Coffee Morning (straight from drop off)

30.04.2025 Year 3 and Year 5 Chester Zoo trip

**08.05.2025** Year 3 Parent's Coffee Morning (straight from drop off)

08.05.2025 Own clothes day (wear red, white, or blue) for VE day. No need to bring in £1

w/c 12.05.2025 KS2 SATs

16.05.2025 Year 4 trip to Liverpool World Museum

19.05.2025 Year 1 Trip to Chester Zoo

19.05.2025 - 21.05.2025 Scholastic Book Fair

20.05.2025 Tempest Year 6 photograph

22.05.2025 Year 4 Parent's Coffee Morning (straight from drop off)

23.05.2025 School closes for half term

#### **Summer Term 2**

**02.06.2025** School opens

06.06.2025 Own clothes day-bring a bottle (for the Summer Fair)

**09.06.2025** Year 6 Road Safety Assembly

09.06.2025 Year 1 trip to Staircase House

10.06.2025 Year 3 Liverpool Museum

10.06.2025 Year 5/6 Wheelchair Rugby session

11.06.2025 Sports Day EYFS - Nursery - 9:15am - 10am

11.06.2025 Sports Day EYFS - Reception - 10am - 10:45am

11.06.2025 KS1/KS2 1.30

**12.06.2025** Year 5 Parent's Coffee Morning (straight from drop off)

**12.06.2025** @2pm Dads and dough 13.06.2025 Own clothes day- bring sweets/ chocolate nuts EYFS - celebration for Father's Day

**17.06.2025** Sports Day EYFS (Back up day) - Nursery - 9:15am – 10am

**17.06.2025** Sports Day EYFS - (Back up day) Reception - 10am – 10:45am

17.06.2025 (Back up day) KS1/KS2 1.30

18.06.2025 - 20.06.2025 Robinwood Year 6

Sunday 22.06.2025 Bruche Summer Fair

25.06.2025 Super hero day! More details to follow

25.06.2025 Reception school trip to Smithills Farm 26.06.2025 Year 6 Parent's Coffee Morning (straight from drop off)

26.06.2025 Year 5 Jodrell Bank trip

W/C 07.07.2025 Bikability Year 6

18.07.2025 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 18.07.2025 School closes for summer

Abcd = parents attendance

Abcd = PTA events

Abcd = Addition/ Change to the dates

## **Special Mentions**

**Nursery - Nancy Taylor** — For being a wonderful role model and a kind friend. Nancy has demonstrated lovely sharing skills and has been inviting others to join in with her play.

Well Done, Nancy!

**Reception - Reuben Kindon & Thea Dickenson** for amazing independent writing and super sitting on the carpet.

- **Year 1 Ada Daniels** for amazing contributions in Geography! Well done!
- **Year 2 Arthur Hunt** for his fantastic effort with his handwriting this week.
- **Year 3 Austin Turnbull** for being so focused and hardworking this week!
- Year 4 All of Year 4 for their great work in their multiplication checks and assessments this week
- Year 5 Oliver Pickett for his excellent geography work!
- **Year 6 Oscar Cooper** for his enthusiasm in DT lessons.

## **Early Years News**

### Nursery

Welcome back to you all. It has been lovely to hear about the exciting adventures the children have been involved in over the half term break.

This week we have been learning all about different homes and talking about our journey to school. We have enjoyed stories including A New House for Mouse, The Tallest House on the street, Are We There Yet and Rosies Walk.

We have been drawing and painting different types of homes and the children have been printing bricks and creating 3D houses both on paper and as models.

We have been extremely impressed with the detailed small world model journeys that the children have created to show all the things they see on their own journey to Nursery as well as creating pictorial versions.

The children have loved using the mouse bot in maths to program her to reach her destination on the map. They have also used instruction cards to create lollypop stick houses as well as sequencing houses according to the number on the front door.

In between the showers, we have been practising for our sports day next week and the children are all very excited for race day.

Well Done Nursery!

Apologies there has been a misprint on the newsletter regarding the start times of the Early Years Sports Day.

The events for each class will take place at the following times:

Nursery - 9:15am - 10am

Reception - 10am - 10:45am

We are requesting that children come dressed ready to race, with Reception children wearing their P.E kits and Nursery wearing shorts and t-shirts. With this in mind we will be sending all Reception Class P.E. kits home tonight. The children can stay dressed in their sports clothes for the remainder of the day.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Mrs Wallace** 

Reception

## **Key Stage 1 News**

## Year 1

This week Year 1 have been introduced to Money during our Maths lessons. We have looked at different coins and notes and discussed their values. Once we recognised these coins we then were able put the amounts in order from the smallest amount to the biggest amount. We learnt the pounds and pence symbol and began to talk about adding different amounts of money together.

In Writing, we investigated our senses and we used real life objects to smell, taste, touch, hear and see. This inspired us to write our own senses poem. We planned our poem by listing all the adjectives to describe the objects and then added these to sentences to create a poem.

In Geography, we looked at maps of the world and used atlases to identify the United Kingdom. We then learnt about the four countries of the UK by singing the countries and then building and creating our own maps.

In History, we looked at different pictures of the Great Fire of London. We were shocked find out that this event actually happened! We learnt that the great fire started in a Bakers shop on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1666! We are so excited to go on our trip on Monday and find out more!

In Music learnt all about tempo whilst playing the xylophone. We playing notes A,G and D to play a song by David Guetta!

## Miss Kerrigan & Miss Gooch

#### Year 2

We have been so impressed with all the children in Year 2 this week when completing some of our Year 2 SATs papers. All children have shown amazing resilience, positivity and effort, and myself and Mrs Floyd are so proud of everyone!

In Maths this week we have begun our new topic on shapes. First, we recapped some of our Y1 shapes such as circles, triangles and squares, thinking about how many sides and corners they have. We then learnt the meanings of some new words such as vertices, quadrilateral and polygon, and identified new shapes such as pentagons, hexagons and octagons, carefully counting the sides to help us decide which shape it was.

In English we have learnt about apostrophes for possession. We know that by using an apostrophe in someone's name we can show that an item belongs to them. We also wrote a prediction based on the front cover of our new story 'Meerkat Mail'. I wonder if anyone's prediction will be right?

In Science, we started our new topic on energy by learning about electricity. We learnt that many of the appliances we use need electricity to work, but get this in different ways. We know that mains electricity comes from plugging an appliance into a plug socket, while others get their power from batteries, which sometimes can be recharged.

In Geography this week we focused on Europe as part of our learning on continents and oceans. We used maps and atlas to locate Europe and find what lies to the North, East, South and West. We also used the atlas to locate and name different European countries and plot famous landmarks.

In PSHE, we have carried on learning about staying safe online. We learnt the difference between secrets and surprises, and spoke about the trusted adults who we can talk to if someone asks us to keep a secret that makes us uncomfortable.

On Friday we were very excited to take part in our art day. We looked at and created some geometric designs with both pencils and oil crayons, before transferring our design onto fabric.

Homework

Maths – reasoning questions

English – comprehension questions

Have a lovely weekend!

## Miss Johnson & Mrs Floyd

## **Key Stage 2 News**

#### Year 3

In maths this week, we have looked at how to plot fractions onto a number line with the help of using our fraction strips.

In History, we spent some time researching all about the Ancient Egyptians in preparation for our trip next week! We learnt what they believed about the afterlife and also found out they worship cats, and it is crime, punishable by death, if an Egyptian was to kill one! We are very excited for next week's trip!

In Geography, we have identified UK rivers and identified which sea/ocean they flow into. For PSHE, we looked at how to stay safe in the local area. We focused on railway stations/lines, pools/beach and roads. The children made an informative poster telling everyone how to be safe/! It has also been assessment week this week so the children have worked so hard at completing their maths, grammar and reading papers!

## Homework to be completed for Friday 13th June.

English and Maths: LBQ

Reading Plus- 2 stories at 80% or above.

## **Mrs Hogan**

#### Year 4

This week in Year 4 has been a busy week for assessments. Everyone has taken their end of year assessments in grammar, spelling, reading and maths. As well as this nearly all the children have taken their multiplication check and have been amazing.

In Geography, we have been thinking about the advantages and disadvantages for living near a volcano and have then decided what they would like to do and why.

In History, we have been looking at the three invasion attempts by the Roman Empire to conquer Britain and what happened in each.

In Music, we have been learning a new song New Heart by Crash Adams and thinking about timing.

Homework

Learning by Questions - Decimals Reading plus x 2

#### **Mrs Shone**

## Year 5

Welcome back! I can't believe this is our final half term together!

This week in Maths, we have been looking at decimals up to the thousandths column (3 decimal places). We ordered and compared these decimals. We also started to link fractions and decimals in more depth, in preparation to link fractions, decimals and percentages.

In writing, we read an example of a survival guide and hinglighted key features within this. The aim is for us to write our own survival guide for a new member of Camp Green Lake (the setting in our previous Whole Class Shared Read book - Holes).

For our art topic, we looked at 3 artists and their style of portrait. Some artists used very abstract styles of art (such as Picasso) whereas others were more realistic (Chuck Close). We compared their styles and which we preferred.

In geography, we looked at the three stages of the supply chain: primary, secondary and tertiary. We looked at the different careers that might work in each sector and how they differ.

## **Miss Ratcliffe**

#### Year 6

In Writing, the children completed their school reports for Bradley Chalkers, writing from the perspective of Mrs Ebbell, a character from our class reading book, "There's A Boy In A Girls' Bathroom".

Year 6 have been working on 6 figure grid reference in Maths in preparation to work with ordnance survey maps in Geography next week.

In Geography, they have been comparing Todmorden in Yorkshire to Padgate and Warrington completing powerpoint fact files – the children are very eager and excited to embark on their acventure to Robinwood soon!

In DT, the children began their topic of Framed Structures (air-raid shelters), learning how to stiffen, strengthen and reinforce 3D frameworks. This week, they have carried out exploration techniques, investigating triangulation, joints and struts. They also began to research existing products and how structures could work against compressive forces and began to design their air-raid shelters based on the Anderson prototype.

In Geography and Science, the children completed the following fieldwork enquiry:

Why are trees important for our environment?

Do our school grounds contain more deciduous or evergreen trees?

Could we make the school grounds eco-friendlier by planting more evergreen trees?

How can we improve our grounds to help combat climate change?

## The children needed to:

- Classify plants into deciduous and evergreen.
- Work scientifically to calculate percentage of plants are evergreen and deciduous.
- Investigate how many species of plants are on the school grounds.
- Investigate whether the school garden has a lower or higher percentage of evergreen plants than the rest of the school grounds.

The children also completed end of topic assessment quizzes on their Geography Climate Change topic, where they were able to articulate the connections between the Amazon Rainforest, the Poles and the Greenhouse Effect.

Mr Gould and Mrs Blackledge

For anyone interested in learning a musical instrument from September, please contact Early Notes Music Education for further details.

<u>info@earlynotesmusic.education</u> or fill out the contact form at their website <u>www.earlynotesmusic.education</u>

Courses are available for Guitar, Ukulele, Piano/Keyboard and Drumkit.

Lunch Menu w/c 06.06.2025 Week 2





## **BRUCHE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Term Dates 2024-2025

	Closing Date	Opening Date
Autumn		04.09.24
Autumn Half Term	<del>18.10.24</del>	04.11.24
Christmas	<del>20.12.24</del>	<del>06.01.25</del>
Spring Half Term	<del>14.02.25</del>	<del>24.02.25</del>
Easter	<del>11.04.25</del>	<del>22.04.25</del>
Bank Holidays (Good Friday and Easter Monday)	<del>18.04.25 and 21.04.25</del>	
Bank Holiday (May Day)	<del>05.(</del>	) <del>5.25</del>
Summer Half Term	23.05.25	02.06.2025
Summer	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	<del>18.10.24 – 03.11.24</del>	
Christmas Holiday	<del>20.12.24 – 05.01.25</del>	
February Half Term	<del>14.02.25 – 23.02.25</del>	
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	



## **BRUCHE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Term Dates 2025-2026

	Closing Date	Opening Date
Autumn		03.09.25
Autumn Half Term	17.10.25	03.11.25
Christmas	19.12.25	05.01.26
Spring Half Term	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)	04.0	05.26
Summer Half Term	22.05.26	01.06.26
Summer	17.07.26	(TBC)

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INSET 1	01.09.25
INSET 2	02.09.25
INSET 3	03.07.26
INSET 4	20.07.26
INSET 5	21.07.26

Holiday Dates		
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	

## **BRUCHE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Term Dates 2026-2027

	Closing Date	Opening Date
Autumn 2026		02.09.2026
Autumn Half Term	16.10.2025	02.11.2026
Christmas 2026	18.12.2026	04.01.2027
Spring Half Term 2026	12.02.2027	22.02.2027
Easter	25.03.2027	05.04.2027
Bank Holidays (Good Friday and Easter Monday)	26.03.2027 / 29.03.2027	
Bank Holiday (May Day)	03.05.2027	
Summer Half Term	28.05.2027	07.06.2027
Summer 2027	16.07.2027	(TBC)

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

INSET 1	01.09.2026
INSET 2	02.07.2027
INSET 3	19.07.2027
INSET 4	20.07.2027
INSET 5	21.07.2027

Holiday Dates		
October Half Term	19.10.2026 – 30.10.2026	
Christmas Holiday	21.12.2026 – 01.01.2027	
February Half Term	15.02.2026 – 19.02.2027	
Easter Holiday	26.03.2027 – 02.04.2027	
May Half Term (Whit)	31.05.2027 – 04.06.2027	
Summer Holiday	19.07.2027- 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 <a href="https://www.earlynotesmusic.education">www.earlynotesmusic.education</a>



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