



BY BROOK VALLEY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Welcome from Mrs Henshall

Welcome to all our new families and welcome back to our existing families. I hope everyone had a lovely summer break.

We have had a great start to the new school year and it has been lovely seeing everyone settled in their new classrooms; lots of smiling faces around the school.

On Monday we had a whole school assembly where we learned about the idea of 'legacy' and found out about why our classes are named after Birds of Prey – please ask the children about this.

We also thought about taking one more step and whilst we might be facing new challenges we can be brave in the knowledge that 'The Lord is my helper' Psalm 118.

Our focus in Worship this term is 'Thankfulness' and we will spend time thinking of all the things we have to be thankful for.

Raffle tickets

Your child/ren will be bringing home raffle tickets today for the Yatton Keynell Village Fete. Please could we ask that any sold raffle ticket stubbs and money collected are dropped back to the school office by **Thursday 14 September**. Thank you!

Pupil Information Forms

We are still outstanding some pupil information forms. If you haven't done so already, please complete both sides **clearly** and return to the office as soon as possible. It's important for us to have up to date records in case we need to contact you for any reason. Thank you.

School Uniform Reminder – PLEASE READ!

Here is a reminder of our school uniform. **PLEASE NOTE: PE kit and trainers should ONLY be worn on PE days.**

- Grey trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore dress
- White polo shirt (with or without the school logo) or white school shirt
- Jade sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo (this can be ordered via the MyClothing or PMG websites: www.myclothing.com or www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk)
- Green and white school dress (summer)
- Black school shoes - Not Trainers!

PE Kit – **UPDATED!!!**:

- Black/Navy shorts
- White t-shirt
- **School Jumper** to be worn, **NO HOODIES PLEASE!**
- Trainers
- Dark jogging bottoms for winter

Jewellery

- For safety reasons we ask that no jewellery, other than a watch and small ear studs, be worn to school.

External After School Clubs - Uniform (Not Bubbles!)

- From now on any child attending an external after school club at school will need to bring their kit in a named bag to get changed in to.

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FoBBVS Update

The Yatton Keynell Fete will take place next Saturday 16 September from 2.00pm – 5.00pm on the field by the Village Hall and the playground. Please do come along! FoBBVS are running a stall in the kids tent so if you are able to spare half an hour to help we would be very grateful. Please email fobbvs@gmail.com

PGL Payment

Just a reminder for our year 6 parents that the 3rd installment of £150 is due by 29 September 2023. If you haven't done so already, please could we ask that payment is made by this date. Thank you!



Bubbles

If you have booked bubbles and your child is not attending bubbles that day, please can you let us know as currently bubbles staff are spending a lot of time locating the children who are meant to be at bubbles. Thank you!

Lost Property

Due to the ever growing amount of lost property we will be putting the box outside **every Friday** for you to check through at the end of the week and collect any missing items.

Please ensure all school clothes are clearly labeled with your child's name! Thank you!

Toys in School

Please could we remind all parents that children should not bring toys into school, this causes a lot of upset if they go missing! Thank you!

Office Hours

The office is open 8.30am – 3.30pm every day, please phone or call in during these times, if you would like to email please only use admin@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk as this is the only email address that is regularly monitored within these hours, emails after 3.30pm won't be read until the following day. If you have any **urgent** changes regarding pick up arrangements or Bubbles, please phone the school office instead of emailing.



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After School Clubs in September

The following clubs are running in term 1. Please use the following information to book your child a place, bookings are now open.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	THURSDAY
Dodgeball For KS2 (Y3,4,5,6) Run by Up and Under for Terms 1 & 2	Multi Sports For KS1 (Y1,2) Run by PH Sports	Dance Class For Yrs 1 – 6 Run by A Stars Dance	Netball For Y3,4,5,6 Run by Miss Reed	Forest School For KS2 (Y3,4,5,6) Run by Claire Pickman
Monday 11 September until 11 December	Tuesday 5 September until Tuesday 17 October	Please contact directly to make a booking: 07815 539693 (Sophia)	Thursday 7 September until 12 October	Thursday 7 September until Thursday 12 September
To make a booking, please click on the following link: https://www.upandundersports.co.uk/products/bybrook-valley-primary-school-ks-2-dodgeball-club/	To make a booking, please click on the following link: https://phsports.child-care-online-booking.co.uk/		To make a booking please email the school office.	Please contact directly to make a booking: pickmanclaire@gmail.com or 07814 028636
	Capacity of 15			

School Lunches

If you would like your child to have a hot school lunch, please don't forget to order it online through ParentPay by midnight Wednesday for the following week. If you have not ordered online, please send your child in with a packed lunch. Thank you.

Order By	To have meals in week commencing
13/9/23	18/9/23
20/9/23	25/09/23
27/9/23	2/10/23
4/10/23	9/10/23
11/10/23	16/10/23

Holidays in Term Time

Since the beginning of September 2013 the rules of taking holiday during term time have tightened even further. You may have seen this on the National News. Now, Headteachers **cannot authorise any holidays** and parents who still choose to take their child out **will** be fined by the local authority. Attendance is seen as a very high priority and a very significant factor in ensuring children attain their maximum potential each and every year. Please support your child, their learning and the school by booking your holidays out of school term times. A copy of the absence policy is available on the school website www.bybrookvalleyschool.co.uk

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Contacting School if Your Child is Absent

Please ring the school (01249 783006) as soon as possible on the first day of absence – the school has an automated answering system so a message can be left. Please leave your child's name and the reason for their absence. If it is a prolonged absence, there is no need to ring the school every day but please do let us know if you do not expect your child to return by the end of the week. If you have not contacted us by the end of morning break (10.30am), we will try to ring you to enquire about the absence. Please also remember that if your child has been ill with sickness and/or diarrhoea they should return to school **48** hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Is my child too ill for school?

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

Medication in School

Unfortunately staff are unable to administer medication, e.g. children. Parents can come into school to give medication if required.

Bubbles After School Club

If you need to contact Bubbles at all during the Bubbles hours please call **07587 133510**. If you know you are going to be late and unable to collect your child on time from bubbles after school club, please contact the Bubbles team as soon as possible.

2022/2023 Diary Dates

September

Friday 15

Year 4 Cake Sale

Monday 25

Year 5 and 6 REME Museum Trip – Details to follow

October

Thursday 5

KS1 Harvest Festival at Yatton Keynell Church 9.30am

Thursday 5

KS2 Harvest Festival at Yatton Keynell Church 1.30pm

Thursday 12

Parents Evening – 3.30pm

Friday 13

Year 3 and 4 Trip – Chedworth Roman Villa

Friday 13

Year 6 Cake Sale

Tuesday 17

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End of term 1

Monday 30

TD Day – no pupils in school

Tuesday 31

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November

Thursday 2

Year 5 and 6 Science Fair

Friday 3

Year 4 Class Assembly

Tuesday 7 – 10

Year 6 PGL Trip

Wednesday 15

Flu Vaccinations Year R to Year 6

Friday 17

Children in Need

Friday 24

Year 6 Class Assembly



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