

Thursday 14 March 2024!



# BY BROOK VALLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## **Message from Mrs Henshall**

Wow what an amazing world book week we had in school last week! We were blown away by all of the children's wonderful hat creations last Thursday so thank you to everyone for making an effort and creating some real master pieces! The school looked lovely with all of the book themed class doors decorated so beautifully, the children enjoyed going around the school guessing the name of the book. The teachers had a lovely time reading to different classes! We took a whole school photo for you all to see!

We are now busy preparing for Easter services and looking forward to the Easter break.



## **Head Teacher Recruitment Process**

Just to keep you informed that we will be holding interviews for the Head Teacher position on  
**Tuesday 19 March.**

### **PE Days for this Term are:**

Year R – Monday and Friday  
Year 1 - Monday and Thursday  
Year 2 – Monday and Thursday  
Year 3 – Monday and Tuesday  
Year 4 – Tuesday and Friday  
Year 5 – Monday and Wednesday  
Year 6 - Friday



### **FoBBVS Events**

Easter Fair - Wednesday 27 March 2.00pm – 3.00pm  
Castle Combe Car Boot - Sunday 12 May - helpers required!  
Big Bike Ride and BBQ - Monday 10 June



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### Owls Class Pickup!

To help with their transition into year 1, we would now like to ask all parents to please wait outside of the reception play area gate at the end of the school day and we will bring the children to you. Thank you!

### Car Park Reminder!

Please could we ask that you **do not** park in the school car park at drop off or pickup and use the Village Hall car park instead. These areas are for dropping off **ONLY!**



### Year 3 and 4 Marwell Zoo Trip

The children in Year 3 and 4 will be bringing home a letter today about a school trip to Marwell Zoo on **Friday 19 April**. Please could we ask for permission and payment is made online through ParentPay by Monday 15 April. Thank you.



### Cake Sale – Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who brought cakes from the Owls cake sale last week, they made just over £200 which is amazing! Thank you for your kind donations.



### Comic Relief

Tomorrow is Red Nose Day and the children can come to school in non-uniform, we are very much looking forward to hearing all of their jokes! We have set up a page on ParentPay for your kind donations, please see the attached link:

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=14002>



### Year 5 and 6 Lower Moor Farm Trip

If you haven't done so already, please could we ask that payment and permission for the Lower Moor Farm trip is made on ParentPay by **Monday 18 March**. Thank you.



### Year 1 Class Assembly

The children in Falcons class are looking forward to having the opportunity to share their work with family and friends in their class assembly on **Friday 22 March** at 2.30pm.

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**CLUB**  
**CANCELLED**

### **No PH Sports Club - Tuesday 26 March!**

Just a reminder that there will be **no** Tag Rugby after school club on **Tuesday 26 March** due to a PE conference.

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### **Class and Year 6 Photos - Colorfoto**

Colorfoto Photography will be in on **Tuesday 26 March** to take class and Year 6 leaver photos. Please ensure your child/children come to school wearing uniform on this day. Thank you.



### **Easter Services**

The KS2 Easter Church Service will be held at St Nicholas' Church in Biddestone on **Tuesday 26 March** at 1.30pm. The children will be taken to and from the church by coach and parents/carers are invited. We look forward to seeing you there!

Parents are also warmly invited to attend the KS1 (Owls, Falcons and Kestrels) Easter Service at school in the hall on **Wednesday 27 March** at 9.30am.



### **End of Term 4 and Start of Term 5**

School finishes for the Easter holidays on **Wednesday 27 March at 2.00pm**. Unfortunately the bus companies are unable to operate a service at these times. Please note that Bubbles After School Club will not be open on the last day of term. Term 5 will start on **Monday 15 April**.

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## After School Clubs in Term 5

The following clubs will be running in term 5. Please use the following information to book your child a place, bookings are now open.

MONDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	THURSDAY
<p><b>Multi Sports</b> For KS1 (Y1 &amp; 2) Run by Up and Under for Terms 3 &amp; 4</p> <p>Details are still being finalised, we will let you know details as soon as possible.</p>	<p>Choir Club For Yrs 1 - 6 Run by Miss Hamilton 3.15pm – 4.15pm</p> <p>Monday 22 April until Monday 20 May</p> <p>To make a booking please email <a href="mailto:secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk">secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk</a> stating the name of the club, child's name and year group.</p> <p>Capacity 20</p>	<p>Tag Rugby For KS2 (Y3 - 6) Run by PH Sports</p> <p>Tuesday 16 April until Tuesday 21 May</p> <p>To make a booking, please click on the following link: <a href="https://phsports.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/index.php">https://phsports.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/index.php</a></p> <p><b>No club on Monday 26 March!</b></p>	<p>Dance Class For Yrs 1 – 6 Run by A Stars Dance</p> <p>Please contact directly to make a booking: 07815 539693 (Sophia)</p>	<p>Netball Club For KS2 (Y3 - 6) Run by Miss Reed 3.15pm – 4.00pm</p> <p>Thursday 18 April until Thursday 23 May</p> <p>To make a booking please email <a href="mailto:secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk">secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk</a> stating the name of the club, child's name and year group.</p> <p>Capacity 14</p>	<p>Forest School For KS2 (Y3 – 6) Run by Claire Pickman</p> <p>Thursday 18 April until Thursday 23 May</p> <p>Please contact directly to make a booking: <a href="mailto:pickmanclaire@gmail.com">pickmanclaire@gmail.com</a> or 07814 028636</p>

## 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
20/3/24	25/3/24
<b>PLEASE ORDER IN THE EASTER HOLIDAYS BY 10/4/24</b>	<b>15/4/24</b>
17/4/24	22/4/24
24/04/24	29/4/24
1/5/24	7/5/24
8/5/24	13/5/24
15/5/24	20/5/24

## Head Lice

Please continue to check your children's hair for unwanted visitors. The children work very closely with each other and this gives head lice the chance to spread very easily. Advice and treatment of head lice can be sought from any pharmacy.

## Holidays in Term Time

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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](http://www.bybrookvalleyschool.co.uk)

#### **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 to children. Parents will need to 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.

### **2023/2024 Diary Dates**

#### **March**

Friday 15	Comic Relief – Non uniform day
Thursday 21	Year 5 and 6 Lower Moor Farm Trip
Friday 22	Year 1 Class Assembly
Tuesday 26	Class and Year 6 Photos – Colofoto
Tuesday 26	KS2 Easter Service at Biddestone Church 1.30pm
Wednesday 27	KS1 Easter Service – School hall 9.30am
Wednesday 27	FOBBVS Easter Fair – 2.00pm
Wednesday 27	Last day of Term 4 – Finish early at 2.00pm

#### **TD Days for next Academic Year**

3 June 2024  
4 June 2024

#### **April**

Monday 15	First day of Term 5
Friday 19	Year 3 and 4 Trip to Marwell Zoo
Friday 26	Year 1 Cake Sale
Friday 26	Year 5 Class Assembly

#### **May**

Monday 6	Bank Holiday – School closed
Thursday 9	Linger and Learn session - PSHE
Friday 10	Year 2 Class Assembly
Sunday 12	Castle Combe Car Boot
Wednesday 22	Year 5 Taster Day at Sheldon
Friday 24	Last day of Term 5

#### **June**

Monday 3	TD Day – No Pupils in School
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Tuesday 4	TD Day – No Pupils in School
Wednesday 5	First day of Term 6
Monday 10	Big Bike Ride at Castle Combe Race Circuit
Monday 17	Sports Day
Tuesday 18	Linger and Learn session - RE
Friday 21	Colour Run
Monday 24	Reserve Sports Day

### **July**

Friday 5	Year Reception Class Assembly
Thursday 11 and 12	By Brook Valley Turnaround Day
Friday 12	Hardenhuish Turnaround Day
Friday 12 and 15	Sheldon Turnaround Days
Monday 15	By Brook Valley – Open Door
Tuesday 23	Leavers Service Yatton Keynell
Tuesday 23	Last day of Term 6

**Flyers for this week can be found on our website at the following location:**

<https://www.bybrookvalleyschool.co.uk/page/?title=Flyers&pid=433>



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