



# BY BROOK VALLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Message from Mrs Henshall

Welcome back to term 4! We hope you all had a lovely restful break with family and friends, it was nice to see a few glimpses of sunshine, let's hope it continues!

It may only be a short term but we still have a lot to squeeze in before Easter! We are looking forward to welcoming the sports for champion visitor tomorrow and of course all our lovely plans for World Book day next week.

This term our value is Justice – Learn to do right, seek justice! In our worship time we have discussed the importance of listening to all sides so that we are able to make wise decisions in difficult situations. We have discussed how this can be important when seeking resolutions at playtimes and how we must listen to each other.

## Ospreys Class Assembly

Don't forget that the Ospreys class assembly will be held **tomorrow** at **2.30pm**. The children are looking forward to seeing everyone and showing off all their hard work!

## PGL Reminder – Eagles

The next instalment of £120 for the Year 6 PGL residential trip is due by **tomorrow**. Please could we ask that payment is made online through ParentPay.

## Swimming Payment Due – Hawks

Swimming starts for Hawks class tomorrow, please ensure they have their kit with them. Just to remind parents that the 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment of £32 for swimming lessons is now due. Thank you!



## FoBBVS Update

Our next event is the Easter Fair on Friday 27 March at 2.00pm. Please save the date for now and please do let us know if you are able to help or if you have any stall/game ideas - many thanks! We have been allocated Sunday 7 June to fundraise at Castle Combe Car Boot so please let us know if you can spare half an hour in the morning to collect entrance money/assist with parking. Thank You!

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## World Book Week

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book day next week with lots of activities for the children to enjoy throughout the week, starting on Monday 2 March. Please can we ask that all 'books in a box' are brought into school by **Wednesday 4 March**. We can't wait to see their wonderful creations!



## Year 6 Bikeability

If you haven't done so already, it is **essential** that you complete the consent form through the Bikeability portal, children won't be able to take part without a completed form. Please click on the following link or scan the code to complete your consent form as soon as possible.

<https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/maker-path-hair>

Please ensure that payment is made online through ParentPay by **Friday 6 March** as well. Thank you!



## Linger and Learn Session – Reading

We will be holding our next Linger and Learn session all about reading on **Friday 6 March** at 9.00am. Please make your way in through the office to sign in. We look forward to seeing you then.



## Up and Coming School Trips!

Just a reminder that that consent and payment is due online through ParentPay by **Monday 16 March** for the following trips.

- Kites and Eagles trip to Lower Moor Farm on **Thursday 19 March**
- Owls, Falcons and Kestrels School Trip to Longleat on **Wednesday 25 March**



## SEND Support and Information Teams Call

*Calling Parents and Carers. Are you a parent or carer of a child with SEND (special education needs and disabilities) or think they may have SEND? Do you have any questions, or do you need any support? Join Rebecca from Wiltshire Parent Carers Council for an informal chat online. Rebecca is a parent carer herself; she has three children with varying support needs. She is the PINS Project Facilitator (Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools) working with our school this year. Join her for an informal chat where you can find out more about the PINS Project and the support on offer in Wiltshire to support children with SEND and their families.*

**Join Rebecca on Thursday 12 March at 7.30pm. All parents and carers welcome, please click on the link to join:**

[Click Here](#)

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## 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. **Please make sure that your child is included when ordering their meals to avoid confusion and upset at lunchtime.**

Order By	To have meals in week commencing
4/3/26	9/3/26
11/3/26	16/3/26
18/3/26	23/3/26
8/4/26 (IN EASTER)	13/4/26
15/4/26	20/4/26

### Procedures for School Closure In The Event of Bad Weather

As the winter is now upon us, we need to advise parents of the procedures in place, if the school is forced to close due to bad weather. The procedure is for schools to notify parents via Heart FM radio. We will aim to text or email parents via ParentPay in the event of a closure.

We ask that parents DO NOT telephone the school. The decision to close the school is based on the safety of staff and children travelling to school and also around the school site.

If the school opens but weather conditions worsen, parents whose children attend Bubbles After School Club will be notified by 2.00pm if Bubbles will not be operating due to the weather.

**A member of staff will remain with children until 4.00pm at the latest to allow parents time to make alternative arrangements.**

### REMINDER! Holidays in Term Time

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)

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## After School Clubs – Terms 3 & 4

Please use the following information to book your child a place.

Please remember not to book Bubbles after school club if you are booking onto one of these clubs unless children are going back to Bubbles after the club has finished. In this case you will need to book from the 4.00pm session.

### **MONDAY**

#### Art Club – KS2

Monday 5 January – Monday 23  
March  
3.15pm-4.30pm

Please contact directly to make a  
booking:  
Kathy.hutton1@hotmail.com

#### Choir Club – Y1-6

Monday 12 January – Monday 23  
March

Run by Miss Hamilton & Miss Knapp  
with the same children.  
3.15pm - 4.15pm

### **TUESDAY**

#### Tag Rugby – KS1 (Year 1, 2, 3 and Reception)

Run by PH ActiveEd  
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Tuesday 24 February – Tuesday 24  
March

To make a booking, please contact  
the school office to request a flyer.

### **THURSDAY**

#### Eco Warriors Club

Selected Children Only!

Thursday 8 January – Thursday 26  
March  
3.15pm - 4.15pm

### **WEDNESDAY**

#### Dance Class – YR-6

Run by A Stars Dance

Please contact directly to make a booking:  
07815 539693 (Sophia)

#### KS2 – Tag Rugby

Run by Up and Under  
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Wednesday 14 January - Wednesday 25  
March

**Spaces still available!**

<https://www.upandundersports.co.uk/product/bybrook-valley-primary-school-ks2-tag-rugby-club-wednesdays-term-3-4/>



#### **Severe Nut Allergies in School – NO NUTS PLEASE!!**

Please be aware that we have a few children in school who have **severe** nut allergies so please do not include any nuts of any kind in your child's lunch boxes or snacks. Thank you for your continued support!

#### **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. antibiotics etc. to 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.

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## 2025/2026 Diary Dates

### February

Friday 27 Year 3 Class Assembly  
Friday 27 Sports for Champions

### March

Thursday 5 World Book Day  
Friday 6 Linger and Learn - Reading  
Monday 9 – 12 Year 6 Bikeability Courses  
Thursday 19 Year 5 and 6 Lower Moor Farm trip  
Friday 20 Red Nose Day  
Tuesday 24 Colorfoto Class and Year 6 Leavers Photos  
Wednesday 25 YR, Y1 and Y2 Longleat School Trip  
Thursday 26 Easter Service – KS1 in school 9.30am, KS2 Biddestone Church 1.00pm  
Friday 27 FOBBVS Easter Fair  
Friday 27 Last Day of Term 4 – Early Finish at 2.00pm

### April

Monday 13 First Day of Term 5  
Wednesday 22 World Earth Day  
Friday 24 Year 2 Class Assembly

### May

Friday 1 Year 3 and Year 4 Trip to 'We the Curious Bristol' – details to follow  
Monday 4 Bank Holiday – no children in school  
Friday 15 Year 6 SATS Party  
Friday 22 Last day of Term 5

### June

Monday 1 TD Day – no children in school  
Tuesday 2 First day of Term 6  
Sunday 7 FoBBVS Castle Combe Car Boot  
Friday 12 Year 6 Junior Good Citizen  
Wednesday 17 Sports Day  
Friday 19 Colour Run  
Monday 22 Year 5 Sheldon Open Morning  
Tuesday 23 Year 5 Sheldon Open Morning  
Wednesday 24 Sheldon Open Evening  
Friday 26 Year 1 Class Assembly

### July

Friday 3 Reception Class Assembly  
Thursday 9 Sheldon Turnaround  
Thursday 9 Year 6 Sheldon Parents Evening  
Friday 10 Sheldon Turnaround  
Wednesday 15 Leavers Production  
Friday 17 FoBBVS Family fun day

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Monday 20  
Tuesday 21  
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Wednesday 22

Leavers Treat  
Leavers Service  
Last day of Term 6 – early finish at 2pm  
TD Day – no children in school

**2025 - 26 TD Days**

Here is a reminder of the 2025-  
26 TD Days:

Monday 1 June 2026

Wednesday 22 July 2026

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