

Thursday 2 July 2026



# BY BROOK VALLEY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

### Message from Mrs Henshall

Thank you everyone for your support and patience as we adapted to the ever-increasing temperatures in school last week. Making the decision to close was a difficult one to make as we would always want to have the children in school. Thank you again for your understanding.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Sport's Day yesterday, the sun shone and the children took part in their events with enthusiasm and determination. It was such a pleasure to be a part of it and thank you once again to everyone for supporting such a great event. A big well done to all the houses but congratulations to Biddestone for coming in first place!

Today the children will be bringing home letters about next year and next week the children will be able to enjoy time in their new classes with their class teacher and teaching assistant. Don't forget to pop in on Monday 13 July at the end of the day to say hello to your child's new teacher!

Truthfulness continues to be the value we are focussing on this term and we have continued to discuss the importance of share the truth and when we might need to do this with a trusted adult.

### Staffing Structure and Turnaround Days

Please find attached letter about the teaching staff structure for 2026-27 and information regarding turnaround days. Please note that paper copies will also come home today!

### Bubbles Bookings for September

If you are in receipt of child care vouchers and the office makes your bookings for you. We will be sending home a copy of the booking form for terms 1 and 2 today. Please complete and return the form to school by **Monday 13 July**. Once your bookings have been made, please ensure that monthly payments are made and all balances for terms 1 and 2 are cleared by **Monday 14 December**.

### FoBBVS Event!

#### **Family Fun Day**

Friday 17 July

3.15pm – 5.00pm on the School Field



### Reception Class Assembly

Owls class are looking forward to sharing their work with family and friends in their class assembly tomorrow **Friday 3 July** at 2.30pm. Please come in through the hall door. Thank you.

### Year 5 PGL Payments

Please could we remind Year 5 parents that if you have not yet paid your 2<sup>nd</sup> installments for the PGL trip this needs to be done as soon as possible. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and final installment is then due by **Friday 4 September**. Thank you!

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### French Certificates

Four children learning French with *La Jolie Ronde* have received their certificates for completing the third part of the programme 'Bonjour la France!'

*Félicitations!* is how we say 'well done' to Eila L, Juliette M, Lydia H and Thea P.

### Year 5 and 6 Summer Production

Kites and Eagles children will be bringing home their initial 2 tickets today. We have a large number of the 1.30pm tickets and some of the 6pm tickets remaining so we would now like to offer these to parents on a first come, first served basis. If you would like additional tickets, please email [secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@bybrookvalley.wilts.sch.uk) stating your child's name, class and preferred production time.

Please don't forget that we have set up a donation page on ParentPay for any kind donations to cover the cost of the performance licence, art materials and props. Thank you!

### Year 5 PE Sports Taster Day – Sheldon School

Just a reminder that children in Kites will be going for their PE taster day at Sheldon school **tomorrow**. All children will **need to be collected from school and taken to Sheldon** and then **picked up at the end of the session** at 2.30pm.

### Art Gallery Night

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers into school on **Wednesday 8 July** at **3.15pm** to come and view the amazing art gallery created by the children at By Brook Valley. The children are very excited to show off their wonderful work! The classroom doors will also be open for you to take a look at your child's work. We hope you can make it!



To help fund future gallery nights, we would like to ask for a small donation of £1 which can be made online through ParentPay. Any donations would be much appreciated. Thank you!

### Open Door Night

We would also like to invite parents and carers into school on **Monday 13 July** at the end of the school day from 3.15pm – 4.30pm to allow you to meet your child's new class teacher and see their new classroom ready for September.

**Please note: If your child attends choir club this will be cancelled on this day! Art club will also be rearranged!**

### Anglo-Saxon Day

The children in Ospreys and Hawks will be bringing home a letter today about their Anglo-Saxon day in school on **Monday 20 July**. To help us with this, please could we ask for any donations of large pieces of cardboard to use for crafts on this day. We would also like to ask for a small donation of 50p per child to go towards some baking ingredients. Please complete the reply slip on the letter and return it with your 50p by **Wednesday 15 July**. Thank you.

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### Year 6 Leavers Treat

If you haven't done so already, please don't forget to give consent and provide meal choices on ParentPay for the leavers treat to Ten Pin in Swindon by **Monday 13 July**. Thank you!

### Year 6 Leavers Service

The Year 6 Leavers service this year will be held on **Tuesday 21 July** at **9.30am**. It will be held at St Margaret's Church in Yatton Keynell and you are warmly invited to attend.

### Last Day of Term 6

Just a reminder that the last day of term is **Tuesday 21 July** and school will finish early at **2.00pm**. Unfortunately, the bus companies are unable to operate a service at this time so you will need to make arrangements to collect your child. Please note that Bubbles After School Club will not be open on the last day of term.



### 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
8/7/26	13/7/26
15/7/26	20/7/26



**NO NUTS!!**

### 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!

### 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)

### 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

### 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

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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.

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.

### **2025/2026 Diary Dates**

#### **July**

Friday 3	Year 5 PE Session – Sheldon School Whole Class
Friday 3	Reception Class Assembly
Wednesday 8	Malmesbury Transition Day
Wednesday 8	Hardenhuish Induction Evening
Wednesday 8	Art Gallery Night and Parents to see work
Thursday 9/10/13	By Brook Valley Turnaround Days
Thursday 9	Malmesbury Transition Day
Thursday 9	Hardenhuish Induction Evening
Thursday 9	Sheldon Turnaround
Thursday 9	Year 6 Sheldon Parents Evening
Friday 10	Sheldon Turnaround Day
Friday 10	Hardenhuish Turnaround Day
Monday 13	Open Door Night
Monday 13	Year 6 Leavers Treat
Wednesday 15	Year 5 and 6 Summer Production
Friday 17	FoBBVS Family fun day
Friday 17	FoBBVS Scarecrow Trail (17 – 31 July)
Monday 20	Leavers Treat at Tenpin in Swindon
Monday 20	Year 3 and 4 Anglo-Saxons Day
Tuesday 21	Leavers Service 9.30am - St Margaret's Church
Tuesday 21	Last day of Term 6 – early finish at 2pm
Wednesday 22	TD Day – no children in school

#### **2025 - 26 TD Days**

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

Wednesday 22 July 2026

#### **2026 – 27 TD Days**

Tuesday 1 September 2026

Monday 2 November 2026

Monday 4 January 2027

Friday 28 May 2027

Friday 23 July 2027

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