



BY BROOK VALLEY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Message from Mrs Henshall

We have all enjoyed welcoming you in to school over the last few weeks. It was great to see so many of you at the Art Gallery evening and celebrating how hard your children have worked over the year.

The children then had a very positive and successful time in their new classes in preparation for the next year and once again it was good to see so many of you coming to say 'hello' to the new class teacher, beginning to build those relationships for the coming year.

A couple of weeks ago the School Choir performed in John Coles Park with other schools from the local area. By Brook Valley Choir sang brilliantly and enjoyed being part of the event – thanks again to Miss Knapp and Miss Hamilton for giving up their time to make this happen – we are looking forward to more events next year.

Yesterday, year 5 and 6 performed their play 'Dream On – A Midsummer Night's Dream' to families and friends. We were all amazed by the children's performances, beautiful singing, fantastic acting and not a line out of place – Well done Kites and Eagles! – and again, thank you to everyone involved in making it so successful.

As I write this, I know that FOBBVS are very busy organising the Summer Fun evening and a Scarecrow Trail around the village! A massive thank you to Zoe and the team for all the events this year, we hope that you will all enjoy taking part in the up-and-coming events.

I would also like to thank everyone that has given their time this year to support the school this year - whether accompanying school visits, helping children with reading, supporting assemblies and productions, or assisting with cake sales and fundraising events, your contribution makes a huge difference to both the children and the life of the school.

If this is your final newsletter from us, the staff team and I would like to wish you and your children every success and happiness for the future. We have loved having you as part of our school community. Finally, I would like to wish you all a very lovely summer. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school in September!

Bubbles Bookings for September 26-27

We would like to inform you that the new Bubbles booking sessions for September 26-27 have now been added to ParentPay. Please ensure you use the **26-27 clubs** when booking your sessions for September.

Please could we ask everyone to check and if you have any outstanding balances for 25-26 Bubbles, please ensure these are **fully** paid by the **end of July**. Thank you!

For those who use child care vouchers and the office makes your bookings for you, your new bookings for terms 1 and 2 have been made **unless** you have an outstanding balance for terms 5 and 6. If this is the case, we will only book the first week back in September. If we have received your payment when we return in September, then the rest of your bookings will be made. Thank you!

Non-Uniform and FoBBVS Family Fun Day

Don't forget that the children can come to school in non-uniform tomorrow and the FoBBVS Family Fun

Day is taking place straight after school on the school field until 5.00pm. Please come and join us. Siblings welcome too. We look forward to seeing you there!



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School Lunches this week!

Due to an issue with the food delivery this week, there has been some last-minute changes to the menu. We apologise if your child has not received what you have ordered for this week!

Please note that children will be given mac and cheese on Monday and fish fingers and chips on Tuesday next week. Sorry for any inconvenience or confusion caused!

Year 5 PGL Payments

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

Choir Club Event – Kington St Michael Parachuting Teddies

If your child currently attends choir club and will be continuing in September, please see the attached letter regarding an exciting event that is happening on Sunday 6 September. Please could we ask that consent is given online through ParentPay if you wish for your child to attend. Thank you!

Pupil Information Forms

This year we will not be sending home the normal pupil information forms for you to complete. We are hoping to move to a new management system where you will be required to enter your own contact information. Until then, if any of your details have changed since last year, then please do let the school office know, otherwise we will continue to use your forms from last year. Thank you!

Anglo-Saxon Day

Just a reminder that the children in Ospreys and Hawks will be taking part in an Anglo-Saxon day in school on **Monday 20 July**. We have only had a small number of donations towards the cost the ingredients. If you would like your child to take part, please don't forget to complete the reply slip on the letter that was sent home and return it to school with your 50p by the end of tomorrow. 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**. Please note that Bubbles After School Club will not be open on the last day of term. There will be no buses at the end of the day and if your child comes home in the taxi, please arrange this with your driver. Thank you!



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PE Days – Term 1 & 2

Owls – Monday and Friday
Falcons – Wednesday and Thursday
Kestrels – Tuesday and Wednesday
Ospreys – Wednesday and Thursday
Hawks – Wednesday and Friday
Kites – Monday and Wednesday
Eagles – Tuesday and Friday

Bus Bands

Please could we remind all parents that if your child is going to be using the school bus to get home from school, please ensure that they come to school wearing their bus band, either on their wrist or on their ankle so it is easy to check when the TA goes around the class rooms. We can not take your child's word for it that they are on the bus, they must have a bus band on. Thank you.

Pencil Cases/Rucksacks

We would like to ask that from September, children no longer bring pencil cases or any large rucksacks into school. The children only need a small bag to carry a reading book and reading record, plus their packed lunch if they bring one in from home. All stationery is provided in school so there is no need for any pencil cases. Thank you.

School Uniform Reminder

****Beat the back-to-school rush and save 10% on school uniform at MyClothing from 23–31 July 2026. Simply use code SUMMER26 at checkout.****

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 - **No Trainers!**

PE Kit:

- Black/Navy shorts
- White t-shirt
- Daps or trainers
- Dark joggers/Tracksuit bottoms for winter
- **School Jumper to be worn instead of zip up hoodies please!!!**

Jewellery

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

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After School Clubs – Term 1 and 2

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 7 September – Monday 19
October

3.15pm-4.30pm

Places available!

**Please note that there will be no
club on Monday 14 September.**

Please contact Kathy directly to make a
booking:

Kathy.hutton1@hotmail.com

Choir Club – Y1-6

Monday 14 September – Monday 14
December

Run by Miss Hamilton & Miss Knapp
with the same children.

3.15pm - 4.15pm

Places available!

TUESDAY

Hockey – KS1 (Year 1, 2, 3)

Run by PH ActiveEd
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Tuesday 8 September – Tuesday 15
December

To make a booking, please see the
attached flyer or use the following link:
[https://bookings.phactiveed.co.uk/si
gnin](https://bookings.phactiveed.co.uk/signin)

WEDNESDAY

Dance Class – YR-6

Run by A Stars Dance

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

KS2 – Cricket

Run by Up and Under
3.15pm - 4.15pm

Wednesday 9 September -
Wednesday 9 December

To make a booking, please use the
following link:
[https://www.upandundersports.co.u
k/product/bybrook-valley-primary-
school-ks2-hockey-club-wednesdays-
term-1-2-2026/](https://www.upandundersports.co.uk/product/bybrook-valley-primary-school-ks2-hockey-club-wednesdays-term-1-2-2026/)

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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
26/8/26 IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	2/9/26 FIRST WEEK BACK
2/9/26	7/9/26
9/9/26	14/9/26
16/9/26	21/9/26
23/9/26	28/9/26
30/9/26	5/10/26



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

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

July

Friday 17	Non-Uniform Day
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

September

Monday 1	TD Day – no children in school
Tuesday 2	First day of Term 1 – All children in school
Sunday 6	Choir club event – Kington St Michael

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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