Bradley Stoke Community School Primary Newsletter
Friday 14th November 2025

Despite the wet and windy weather, it's been another positive and productive week across our school. We were delighted to welcome prospective parents for Reception 2026 on tours throughout the week. The impact of our pupil leaders has been really shining through. Our anti-bullying ambassadors are helping to promote kindness and respect, playground leaders are encouraging fun and inclusive games, and digital leaders are supporting safe and confident use of technology. Their ideas and enthusiasm are making a real difference to school life.

Maria Goodchild – Head of Primary

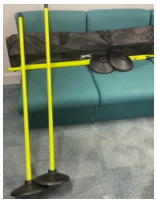
Attendance awards

We have been awarded two attendance certificates. One for being in the top 25% of primary schools for attendance last year and one for being in the top 10% of primary schools for attendance in Term 6!

New hoops and PE equipment!

A huge thank you to BSCS Primary Friends who funded our new basketball and netball hoops and some new equipment for PE lessons!

The children are really enjoying the hoops!



Year 3 visit Cheddar Caves

Maple Class had a fantastic day learning about prehistory and life during the Stone Age at Cheddar Caves.

Anti-bullying week

This week we have been thinking about how we can use our 'power for good' to help stop bullying. Our fantastic digital leaders kicked off the week with an assembly about cyber bullying.

Congratulations to our learners!

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DATE	EVENT	New Date
Mon 17th Nov	Drama taster workshops with Sharon from The Art Within for Year 1—Year 6 (free!)	NEW
Weds 19th November	NSPCC Speak out stay safe workshops for Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 (free!)	
Fri 21st November	Bristol Pitbulls Ice Hockey team running an assembly for all children	
Mon 24th November	Year 5 Ancient Greece VR workshop	NEW
Tues 25th November	Primary Parents' Evening	
Weds 26th November	Primary Parents' Evening	
Fri 5th December	Non-unform day for Rainbow Raffle donations (organised by Friends)	
Mon 8th December	Year 4 educational visit to The Roman Museum at Carleon	NEW
Tues 9th December	Bauble decorating workshops	
Thurs 11th December	Christmas Jumper Day!	NEW
Thurs 11th December	Friends Christmas grotto event from 4:00pm	
Fri 12th December	Acorns Class Christmas Songs for parents in the hall at 9:15am	
Mon 15th December	Rocksteady concert for parents of children attending Rocksteady classes in the school hall at 2:30pm	
Mon 15th December	Carols by Candlelight at 5pm	
Tues 16th December	Christmas Celebration for our Senior Friends at 2pm in the school hall—open to all grandparents and members of the local community	
Weds 17th December	KS1 (Year 1 and 2) Nativity for parents in the hall at 9:15am	
Thurs 18th December	KS1 (Year 1 and 2) Nativity for parents in the hall at 9:15am	NEW
Fri 19th December	End of Term 2 Children finish at 12:30pm	
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DATE	EVENT	New Date
Mon 5th Jan	Term 3 starts	
Thurs 12th Feb	End of Term 3	
Fri 13th Feb	INSET DAY (school closed to children)	
Mon 23rd Feb	Term 4 starts	
Thurs 2nd April	End of Term 4	
Mon 20th April	Term 5 starts	
Mon 11th May	Year 6 SATs week	
Fri 22nd May	End of Term 5	
Mon 1st June	Term 6 starts	
Mon 1st June	Year 4 Multiplication Check fortnight starts	
Mon 8th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week starts	
Mon 22nd June	Sports Week	NEW
Tues 23rd June	Sports morning for all children	NEW
Fri 3rd July	INSET DAY (school closed to children)	
Friday 17th July	Children finish school at 12:30pm	
Fri 17th July	End of Term 6	
Mon 20th July	INSET DAY (school closed to children)	
Tues 21st July	INSET DAY (school closed to children)	

OLYMPUS ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH - NOVEMBER 2025

Our Olympus Trust Attendance Awareness Month is here!

Did you know that being ill is the main reason a child will miss school and many parents worry about whether to send them into school if they have certain medical conditions.

We want to support parents to ensure their child isn't missing out on their learning with certain medical conditions where these are manageable in school.

The following information is taken from the NHS website - **Is my child too ill for school?** We hope it will support you in reducing absence from school due to illness.

WHAT IS THE ISSUE?	NHS ADVICE	SEND TO SCHOOL?
Feeling anxious or worried	It's normal for children to feel a little anxious sometimes. They may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can make a child's anxiety about going to school worse. It's good to talk about any worries they may have such as bullying, friendship problems, schoolwork or sensory problems. You can also work with the school to find ways to help them.	✓
Coughs and colds	It's fine to send your child to school with slight cough or common cold symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature.	✓
Cold sores	There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a cold sore.	✓
Conjunctivitis	You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis, unless they are feeling very unwell.	✓
Hand, foot and mouth disease	If your child has hand, foot and mouth disease but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off.	✓
Head lice and nits	There's no need to keep your child off school if they have head lice. Please let us know though.	✓
Slapped cheek syndrome ***(fifth disease)***	You don't need to keep your child off school if they have slapped cheek syndrome because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. But let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.	✓
Sore throat	You can still send your child to school if they have a sore throat. But if they also have a high temperature, they should stay at home until it goes away.	✓

Do always let us know if you are worried about having sent your child into school with a sore throat or cold for example - we can support them in school if needed and be in touch with you if symptoms worsen.