



Dear Parents,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It was lovely to welcome so many families to our parent consultations this week. These provide an important opportunity to hear how your child has settled in to the year and to discuss their learning. There was a real buzz around the school and it was lovely to see these so well attended. I hope you found them helpful. Thank you also to FOBPS for providing refreshments.

It's been another busy week in school with Year 3 taking a trip to Manor Lodge to support their History topic and Year 6 enjoying a performance of Macbeth this morning from the Young Shakespeare Company.



### **Stay and play – lock up times**

For those families who stay and play after school, please be aware that after half term we will be locking the ginnel gate at 4pm due to the darker evenings. The main entrance to the carpark, which is lit, will remain open until 4:30pm.

### **Reading Awards – years 3-6**

For those children working hard towards their reading rewards, the Hot Chocolate event will take place on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, with reading points tallied on Tuesday. Why not see if you can get through a book or two this weekend!

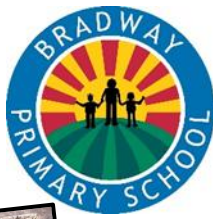


### **Our new FS2 Garden**

We're excited to share that the redevelopment of our FS2 garden is pretty much complete. We're delighted at the improvements that have been made and are excited to see the impact this will have on our youngest children.

On Wednesday next week we will be having our **grand opening**, with **The Gruffalo** as our special guest! All families are invited to come and see the space after school – we hope you can join us.







### **School Improvement Plan**

In assembly this week, the School Council supported me in sharing our School Improvement Plan for the year ahead. They did an excellent job in reading out the priorities – well done! A copy of a child-friendly version of our improvement areas is below which you may wish to talk through with your children. You can also watch School Council sharing it here: [Our 2025/2026 School Improvement Plan](#)

<b>Our school improvement priorities for 2025/2026</b>	
Safeguarding	We want to make sure every child is always safe by having clear rules and grown-ups who follow them.
Curriculum & Teaching <i>Including Achievement &amp; Inclusion</i>	We want to plan fun and exciting geography and history lessons so children enjoy learning and do really well.
	We want teachers to keep learning new things so they can teach you even better and help you learn more.
	We aim to give you clear feedback so you know how to make your work even better.
	We want to keep a close eye on your learning so we can help you quickly if you get stuck.
Attendance & behaviour	We aim to make playtimes safe and fun for everyone, with lots of great things to do. We also want the team at OPAL to award us for our amazing playtimes.
	We want to use the same rules everywhere so everyone behaves well and can learn.
Personal development & wellbeing	We want to teach you how to look after yourself, your body and your feelings in a safe and respectful way.
Early Years	We want the grown-ups in Foundation Stage to be really good at helping you learn quickly.
	We want to help you learn and use new words in all your learning.
	We want to make the outdoor area fun and full of learning activities.
Leadership & governance	We aim to regularly check how teaching is going so we can make it even better.
	We want to make our school buildings and resources better so you enjoy learning more.

With next week being the last week of term, please take note of the Autumn 2 calendar which follows. Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Chris Thomas  
Headteacher





Autumn Term 1	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> October <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y4</span>	<b>Y4 Roman Day</b> This will take place in school and children are encouraged to wear simple Roman costumes. At the end of the day, we invite parents/carers to come and watch a performance of the gladiator dance that the children have learnt, at 3pm in the hall
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 6-7pm <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">Parents invited</div>	<b>Smartphone Free Childhood – Parent-led Presentation</b> All are invited to a parent-led presentation on a “Smartphone Free Childhood” in the school hall. This event has been organised by a group of parents who are passionate about supporting children’s wellbeing by exploring the benefits of delaying smartphone use. Please note that this is not a school event, but we are pleased to share the opportunity for interested parents to attend and join the discussion
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 3.15-3.30pm <span style="background-color: #FFD700; padding: 2px;">FS2</span> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 5px auto;">Parents invited</div>	<b>FS2 Outdoor Classroom Opening Celebration</b> Parents of FS2 children are welcome to attend the opening celebration of our outdoor classroom
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October <span style="background-color: #FFD700; padding: 2px;">FS2</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y1</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y2</span> <span style="background-color: #9932CC; padding: 2px;">Y3</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y4</span> <span style="background-color: #FF6347; padding: 2px;">Y5</span> <span style="background-color: #66B3FF; padding: 2px;">Y6</span>	<b>FOBPS Halloween Discos</b> FS2 Mini Disco 3.20-4.00pm Y1, Y1 & Y3 Disco 5.00-6.10pm Y4, Y5 & Y6 Disco 6.30-7.45pm See posters for full details. Tickets available via Parentpay.
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Autumn Term 2	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November <span style="background-color: #FFD700; padding: 2px;">FS2</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y1</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y2</span> <span style="background-color: #9932CC; padding: 2px;">Y3</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y4</span> <span style="background-color: #FF6347; padding: 2px;">Y5</span> <span style="background-color: #66B3FF; padding: 2px;">Y6</span>	<b>Children return to school</b>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November <span style="background-color: #FFD700; padding: 2px;">FS2</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y1</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y2</span> <span style="background-color: #9932CC; padding: 2px;">Y3</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y4</span> <span style="background-color: #FF6347; padding: 2px;">Y5</span> <span style="background-color: #66B3FF; padding: 2px;">Y6</span>	<b>Non-Uniform Day</b> In aid of Sheffield Children’s Hospital. Any donations we can raise on our non-uniform day will go towards this worthy charity.
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November <span style="background-color: #FFD700; padding: 2px;">FS2</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y1</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y2</span> <span style="background-color: #9932CC; padding: 2px;">Y3</span> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">Y4</span> <span style="background-color: #FF6347; padding: 2px;">Y5</span> <span style="background-color: #66B3FF; padding: 2px;">Y6</span>	<b>Individual School Photos</b> Our photographer will be in school over a 2 day period to take individual photos of the children. Siblings within the school will also have their photo taken together. QR





	codes will then be provided to parents/guardians if you would like to purchase any photos.
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November Y1	<b>Y1 Visit from the History Van</b> This is a whole day workshop here at school, with hands on activities provided by the History Van
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	<b>Non-Uniform Day</b> We are having a non-uniform day ahead of the FOBPS Christmas Fair on the 6th December. Children may come in non-uniform in exchange for jolly jars or a suggested £1 donation.
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 Parents invited	<b>FOBPS Christmas Fair</b> All welcome, details to follow
Wb Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	<b>Autumn Term assessment and attendance letters sent home</b>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December Y2 Parents invited	<b>Y2 Nativity</b> Afternoon performance, details to follow
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 7pm Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	<b>Pantomime Trip</b> Evening trip to Aladdin at Sheffield Lyceum, tickets are now available via Parentpay priced at £15, drop off and collection outside the theatre
Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> December FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	<b>Christmas Dinner Day</b> There is no need to pre order this, dinner orders will be taken at morning register. Children may wear a Christmas jumper or some other festive item if they wish.
Weds 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2.55-3.15pm FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 Parents invited	<b>Christmas Sing Song for all</b> All year groups and parents/carers invited to Christmas songs outside in the playground. Please walk round to the KS2 playground via the gate to the KS1 playground.
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	<b>Last day of term</b>

You can subscribe to this calendar by scanning the QR code or following the link below.

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