

Dear Parents / Carers,

The children have had a lovely week in school, it is wonderful to see the children enjoying their learning. This week reception have continued to settled into school and have now been put into Red or Yellow Class (you will have received notification of this by email today). Y1 have been busy writing wanted posters for the big bad wolf and investigating capacity by measuring puddles! Y2 classes have all settled into their new routines and have loved going to forest schools today as a year group team.



Have a lovely weekend, Miss Tumelty

## Reception Parents Coffee Morning

We are really hoping to see lots of Reception parents and carers at our Reception coffee and cake get together on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00am.



As you now know your child's Reception class this will be a great opportunity to meet and chat with other parents who also have children in your child's class and start to add to your wider support network of parents and carers. There will also be a short presentation about early reading, and a chance to ask teachers any other questions you may have about school.

Our Special Needs Coordinator will also be on hand to answer any of your questions. Younger children are welcome to come along.

This event is free of charge, and we really hope many of you will join us!

## Reminders...

- ⇒ Please could all children bring a pair of **named welly boots** to leave in school.
- ⇒ Please ensure **all clothing, including coats, are named.**
- ⇒ Children need to bring their **book bag** (no rucksacks) and **water bottle** each day.
- ⇒ Children can bring a **healthy snack** to have at break time each day—please see attached letter regarding this.
- ⇒ Please make sure children have **sun hats, sun cream and/or rain coats** in school (depending on the weather!)

## Messages from...

**Choir will start on Monday 25th September. Children will be told early next week if they have a space.**

### Reception

When you collect your child please can you stand in a place that the teachers can see you. This will help the teachers get your children out to you more quickly.

### Y1 & Y2

Please see attached the Year 1 and Year 2 information letter from the meet the teacher session last week.

Y2 Playtime Pal letters and applications have been sent out—children need to write their own application letter which needs to be handed to Mrs Titley by 22nd September.

# We love being in Reception...

Playing dressing up with Friends—Bella C.

Being on the carpet listening to stories—Billy.

Being in the garden building bricks and houses—Jack W.

I love being in the kitchen cooking—Evie.

I like being in the big playground after lunchtime—Marnie.

I love dancing in P.E—Luke.

I like playing with my new friends—Hettie.

I like playing with Miss Perry—Toby.

I like school dinners—Travis.

I like playing with the other Rosie—Rosie P



## Reading at home

Your child can become a Champion Reader if they have read on at least 5 occasions during the week (not multiple reads on one night). When you have heard your child read please write in their reading record to show that you have heard them read and their reading records will be checked in school.

Reading their school reading book, playing games on Phonics Hero (KS1), reading flashcards and practising common exception words can all be counted as a read so please write these in their reading record.

Regular reading practise supports your child's fluency, confidence and therefore enjoyment of reading which is so important during these early years of education and beyond.

## Summer Reading Challenge

Well done to all the children who completed the library reading challenge this summer. The children in Y1 and Y2 who have their awards in school with them have been celebrated in assembly. We are asking that Reception children bring their awards in next Friday to be celebrated as that will be their first assembly. If any other children forgot to bring theirs today they can bring them in next Friday.

## School Lunches

As you will have seen on our school lunch menu there is a jacket potato option for the children each day. The jacket potatoes need to be ordered so we are only cooking the amount we need to try and reduce food wastage. If you know your child would prefer a jacket potato because they are not keen on the other options **please come in to the office or call by 9am** (please do not email as this might not get picked up in time). You can also let us know in advance of the day it is required. Then the cook will make sure she cooks and keeps a jacket potato for your child.



## Birthdays

Special birthday wishes go to...

**Year 2: Lucy**



To celebrate their birthdays children can wear their own clothes on their birthday or on the Friday before if their birthday is at the weekend or in a holiday.

If you are having a birthday party for your child and are inviting the whole class we are happy to give the invites out in school. However if you are having a small group party please organise the invites for these outside of the classroom—this is to avoid any children getting upset because they have not been invited to the party.

# Facebook



As you will know we have a school Facebook profile which we use to share photos and updates from the classes; including photos of the children who are awarded the good work and star awards each week. Other important school messages and reminders are also shared. Our security settings are set so that you cannot see any information if you are not our 'friend'. We only have current parents of children at Broadway as friends and will only post recognisable photos of children if parents / carers have given permission on the photos and images permission form. If you are not currently a friend of Broadway Infants on Facebook then please do request to be our friend.

## Medication

If your child is in Y1 or Y2 and you have previously filled in a health care plan for any medication that is required to be kept in school please can you ensure the medication is returned ASAP.

If your child is in Reception and requires medication to be kept in school please pop in to the office and ask for a care plan to complete and drop off the medication.

**\*\*Please note school staff can only give medication that has been prescribed by a Dr.**

## Year 1 - break times

In Y1 children are learning through a continuous provision approach which builds upon the way they learned in Reception. As part of this approach Y1 are not going to be going out onto the main playground for morning break time to ensure their learning is not interrupted through the morning. Children will have the outside area open and all children will be active and learning through play for parts of the morning ensuring that they are getting fresh air and exercise. Children will also have the opportunity to eat their fruit or healthy snack during the morning. The children have responded really well to this change. They still go out to the main playground for their lunchtime play.



# Bridgeway Federation Celebration Event



We are inviting all the parents and carers of Broadway Infant School and The Ridge Junior School to a celebratory afternoon tea on Friday 29th September at 2.30pm.



Our schools are now officially part of the Bridgeway Federation. This means we have formed an official partnership to secure our future of working more closely together, and we now share one governing body.

A special cake will be cut, banners unveiled and commemorative pencils and logo stickers will be given out to the children.

As part of this event we are also going to be raising money for Macmillan Cancer Research and so would appreciate donations of cakes for the event. We will have some fundraising buckets for parents and carers to make a donation should they wish. **If you and your children would like to donate cakes for our celebration event, please bring them in to The Ridge Junior School on Wednesday 28th or Thursday 29th September.**



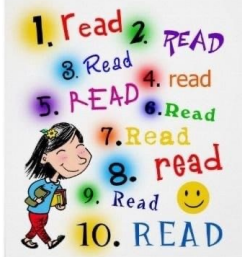
During the event children will be sitting in their classes and parents and carers can go and join them. There will be cake and drinks—tea or coffee for the parents and juice for the children.

# Champion Readers

Well done to **Blue Class** for being the winning classes this week!

Green	18	Orange	24
Purple	22	Blue	25

10 ways to become a better reader...



Please keep reading with your children as we move towards the end of term, practising reading is how they will become more confident readers.

**\*\*Reception will begin Champion Readers next week\*\***

# Attendance

Our target is 97%

98% of children came to school everyday this week.

Rockets	100%	Jets	95%
Green	98%	Orange	97%
Purple	98%	Blue	100%

There is a strong link between good school attendance and achieving good results.

Please note that holidays in term time are very unlikely to be authorised and may result in a fine from the Local Authority.

# Important Dates

Monday 18th September	Reception FULL TIME 8.40 - 3.20
Monday 18th September	Coffee Morning for New Reception Parents 9.00 - 10.30
Thursday 21st September	Y1 and Y2 Performance Coaching football taster sessions— <b>PE kits needed</b>
Tuesday 26th September	Y2 Stay and Read 2.15 - 3.15
Thursday 28th September	Y2 Stay and Read 9.00 - 10.00
Friday 29th September	Bridgeway Federation and Macmillian afternoon tea 2pm—see info in this newsletter
Monday 2nd October	Y1 Stay and Read 2.15 - 3.15
Thursday 5th October	Y1 Stay and Read 9.00 - 10.00
Friday 6th October	Open Morning New Reception intake 2024—see flyer attached
Tuesday 10th October	Speech and Language Therapy drop in sessions for parents—please book at slot in the office if you would like to
Tuesday 10th October	Parents Consultation Evening—more information coming soon
Thursday 12th October	Parents Consultation Evening—more information coming soon
Friday 13th October	Individual photographs of all children— more information coming soon
Tuesday 17th October	Blue Class Assembly 2.45 - 3.15—parents / carers invited
Thursday 19th October	Purple Class Assembly 2.45 - 3.15—parents / carers invited
Friday 20th October	Last Day of Term 1
Monday 30th October	First Day of Term 2