

Dear parents and carers,

Despite the cold this week the children have enjoyed spotting signs of winter around the school grounds. You can continue these conversations with the children at home as seasonal change is in the science curriculum for all ages.



The whole school loved their afternoon of being scientists on Tuesday—thanks to all the parents and carers who came along!

Y2 have also enjoyed some financial workshops from Lloyds Bank, delivered by one our parents who works for the bank . The children discussed things that they 'wanted' to buy and things that they 'needed' to buy.

Thank you for your support on census day—the children seemed to really enjoy the themed menu!

Have a lovely weekend, Miss Tumelty

Parent Consultation Evenings



Our next **Parent Consultation Evenings** are on **6th and 7th of February**, which is the week before half term. These will run from 3.40pm until 6.40pm (the last appointment is 6.30pm). You can book your slot to see your child's class teacher via Arbor. **The booking for the meetings has been open since the 12th January.** Mrs Clark the SENCO will be in school on Tuesday 6th February during the consultation meetings, if you would like to speak with her to discuss your child please contact the office or have a chat with her on the evening.

Number Day

Number day is on Monday 5th February.

This is always a fun day at school! The children will take part in some exciting number activities during the day. We are also asking that they dress up in number related clothes. Ideas for what your child could wear include clothes with numbers on or objects to count. For further help, a quick search on Google will give lots of ideas!

We are looking forward to another day of number related fun!



Messages from...

Reception

We are noticing lots of children having juice or squash. Please remember children must only have **Water** in their water bottles in the classroom.

If you need to come into school please wait until teachers have safely dismissed **ALL** children.

Y1

We have noticed a number of children without water bottles. Please remember to bring a water bottle to school.

We have noticed a drop in reading rates. Please encourage your children to read 5 times a week.

Practicing sounds and tricky words also counts as a read.

Y2

Keep practicing counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

Make sure all hats, scarves and gloves are named along with jumpers and cardigans.

Stay and Investigate

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came along to our Stay and Investigate afternoon on Tuesday this week. The children had a wonderful afternoon being scientists, we hope you had lots of fun too!

Here are some comments from the children.:-

Me and GiGi were doing sinking and floating. Some of the conkers were sinking - Ailsa

We put all the different things in water and all of the things I put in floated - Darcey

My favourite part was when we dropped the egg - Polly

The best part was when we opened the model to see if the egg was cracked. - James

I liked building the protection for the egg - Olivia A

I was pleased that our egg survived - Ethan

I liked the bridge making because we tested it to see if it was strong - Daisy

I liked designing the bridge to make it stronger - Jaxson

I liked building a bridge. It only wobbled a little bit. I love my Mum coming to school and learning with me - Paige

My Mum helped me build a good bridge, it was sturdy. It broke because the magnets were too heavy - Jasper



World Book Day

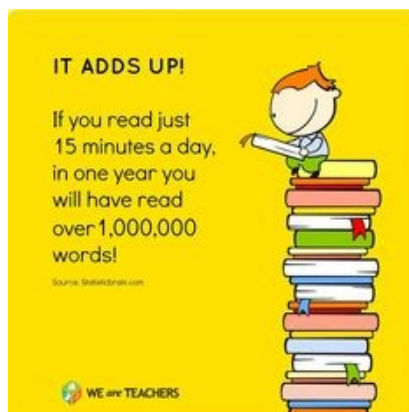
World Book Day is coming up on 7th March. At Broadway our activities are centred around the enjoyment of books and reading during this day. **We do not ask the children to dress up as a book character.** More information will be shared next week regarding the events that will be taking place on the day.

Champion Readers

Daily reading practise helps make your child a better reader. Practising little and often makes the biggest impact on your child's progress.

Red	19	Yellow	21
Green	11	Orange	23
Purple	18	Blue	24

Well done to blue for being the winners this week!



Funky Hair Funday

On Thursday 22nd February we will be having a 'Funky Hair Funday' in support of the Princess trust. One of the Reception pupils has decided to have her hair cut and donate it to the Princess Trust so it can be made into a wig for children who have lost their hair due to cancer and other illnesses. Marnie-Rose is going to have her hair cut at school in front of a small group of her friends and family. She would love for your support on the day and is inviting the children from the Ridge and Broadway to come to school with funky hair in exchange for a donation to this worthy cause. Here is a link to her Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/marnies-little-princess-trust>

South Glos Parents and Carers



South Glos Parent Carers (SGPC) is the local parent carer forum working to represent and support parent carers of children and young people (age 0-25) with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) in South Gloucestershire.



Our 360° Outreach Project supports schools and families working together to build a picture of the "whole child" and better understand the child's needs, at home and at school.

- ✓ Free workshops for parents
- ✓ Helping you support your child's needs
- ✓ Your child does not need a diagnosis for you to attend



Mon, 29 Jan 1:15pm



Coming up in Term 4

- A 360° Approach to Demand Avoidance with Claire Phillips
- A 360° Approach Neurodiversity Identity and Wellbeing with Dean Beadle



Find us
sgpc.community



visit our website
sgpc.org.uk

Parking

With the colder weather arriving we are noticing more traffic around school. Parents and carers are wanting to get as close as possible to school at drop off and pick up time. This is leading to bad congestion on the Ridge estate. Please do continue to park in the cinema carpark and walk the short distance to school if at all possible. **Please note this parking arrangement does not include the Ridgewood Centre.

For those of you who drive to school please be respectful of our neighbours.

Please...

- Do not leave engines running while parked in your cars.
- Do not park in front of drive ways or over dropped curbs.
- Do not park on the zig-zag lines in the front of school.

Thank you in advance with your continued support regarding parking.



In addition to the workshop on masking which is happening on 29th January.

South Glos Parents and Carers have a few other workshops coming up:

Understanding ADHD <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-adhd-online-with-corrina-wood-tickets-770203378037?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Understanding and Supporting Communication <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/understanding-and-supporting-communication-tickets-758851564457?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

The SEN coffee morning being held at Broadway on 20th February will give you an opportunity to meet representatives from South Glos Parents and Carers and meet other parents with children on the SEN register. SGPC will also be presenting on anxiety which leads to difficulties attending school.

Attendance

Our target is 97%

The whole school attendance for this week is 92.6%

Red	93%	Yellow	90.3%
Green	88.7%	Orange	95.6%
Purple	93.6%	Blue	94.6%

There is a strong link between good school attendance and academic learning and progress.

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

Birthdays!

Birthday wishes go to...

Year 2:

Raleigh-May



Important Dates

Tuesday 30th January	Orange Class assembly—parents / carers invited—2.45pm
Thursday 1st February	Green Class assembly—parents / carers invited—2.45pm
Monday 5th February	Number day—the children can dress up in something number related for the day—see today's newsletter for details.
Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th February	Parent Consultation meetings -see today's newsletter
Wednesday 7th February	Y1—visit from the fire service in school
Monday 5th-9th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Thursday 8th February	Kids Fit workshops— all children to wear PE kit
Friday 9th February	Last day of Term 3
Monday 19th February	First day of Term 4
Tuesday 20th February	South Glos Parents and Carers SEN coffee morning, Joint with The Ridge, At Broadway.
Thursday 22nd February	Funky Hair Funday—see today's newsletter for details
Tuesday 27th February	Reception Stay and Play—2-3pm
Thursday 29th February	Reception Stay and Play—9.15-10.15am
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day—more information coming soon but please do not buy dressing up costumes
Tuesday 12th March	Y2 Stay and Count—2.15-3.15pm
Thursday 14th March	Y2 Stay and Count—9-10am
Monday 18th March	Y1 Stay and Count—2.15-3.15pm
Thursday 21st March	Y1 Stay and Count—9-10am