



#### Dear Parents / Carers,

Christmas is now in full swing, I cannot help but wake up singing the Christmas songs the children have been learning. Thank you for all the tombola prizes which have been donated today—we are all looking forward to the Christmas Fayre next Friday and we hope to see you there! Please see the information regarding all our Christmas activities on the next page.

Aside from Christmas play preparations the children have also been busy learning in their classrooms; Reception loved their walk to the Ridgewoods, Y1 have been looking at old toys from Yate Heritage Centre and Y2 have been making fabulous moving owls in their Design and Technology lessons.

Thank you for all the donations for Children In Need—our final fundraising total was **£184** 

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Tumelty

### Roadworks



Temporary traffic lights (4-way) will be in place on the mini roundabout near

Broadway from Mon 27th to Wed 29th November for Wessex Water to carry out essential work on the sewerage system. This is likely to cause significant congestion around the schools; you will want to allow more time for your journey if travelling by car however parking away from The Ridge estate where possible will also help!

### Messages from...

#### **Reception**

With Christmas approaching if anyone has any deliveries in large boxes please bring them to Reception outside area as the children love to play with these!

#### <u>Y1</u>

Please remember to bring in costumes for the school performance on Monday.

#### <u>Y2</u>

Purple Class—please could all children bring a woolly scarf to school to use in their class dance—thank you!

### Christmas Card Competition

For the sixth year running, we are working with a local business, The HR Department to run a Christmas card competition. All children in school have now designed a Christmas card and class winners have been chosen, these designs will now be put forward to the HR Department so the overall winner can be picked. The winning design will be printed into a Christmas card for the business.

#### Well done to Poppy in Red Class, Iris in Yellow Class, Hudson in Green Class, Izzy in Orange Class, Elsie in Purple Class and Lilianna in Blue Class!

All the class winners will receive a prize and the overall winner of the competition will receive a prize along with some of the printed cards with their design on.

The overall winner will be announced next week!



# **Christmas**

#### Friends of Broadway Christmas Fayre—1st December - 5-7pm

The Christmas Fayre is a lovely event to start the Christmas season! Lots of information about the fayre is attached to the 17.11.23 newsletter email so please have a read. There is a baking competition as part of the fayre, so you can get baking and be in with a chance of winning the best Christmas bake! There will be a £5 gift voucher for the winning cakes. All bakes will be sold at the cake sale. Remember to buy your raffle tickets—there are some amazing prizes!

#### Christmas Shows—8th and 11th December

All of the children feature in all performances, for those of you who are new to Broadway; Y2 classes open the show with a class dance and then form the choir for the nativity part of the performance. Y1 and half of Reception are performing the story of The Christmas Shop and the other half of Reception then perform the nativity story.

Performance times are 9.30am and 2pm on both 8th and 11th December. Please note if you have a younger child you need to bring along to the show we ask that you book the Monday afternoon performance as all other performances are adult only. Parents will be allowed a maximum of 2 tickets per family at a cost of £1 each. Tickets can be bought via Arbor in the trips section, please see detailed instructions in the newsletter sent on 17.11.23.

#### Choir singing at the Town Hall for the Women's Guild—6th December

The choir are performing for the Women's Guild on 6th December. **If you are a parent / carer of a child who goes to choir and would like to volunteer to help us walk the children there and back you will be able to also watch the show**. Volunteers will be limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please email in to the school office if you would like to volunteer.

#### Christmas lunch and Christmas Jumper Day—13th December

Children can come to school wearing their Christmas jumpers and festive headwear in aid of Save the Children on the 13th December (this is a different day to the advertised Christmas Jumper day so it goes alongside our Christmas lunch). Please donate for Save The Children via <u>https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD230027404</u> The children will enjoy their Christmas lunch on this day which will be served to them by the teachers, teaching assistants and office team!

#### Christmas choir performance for parents / carers— Thursday 14th December 2.45pm

Children will be performing their Christmas choir songs for parents / carers in the school hall at 2.45-3.15pm.

#### <u>Carols at St Mary's Church—15th December—11am</u>

This is a legendary part of our Christmas celebrations, come along for some festive carols and song performances... be warned we expect audience participation! This event will last approximately 1 hour. We will need parent/ carer volunteers to help us walk the children to the church and back, if you are able to volunteer please email the school office—volunteers come in to the church with the children and therefore get priority seating!

## **Reception Walk to The Ridgewoods**



Reception had a wonderful walk to the Ridgewood on Tuesday morning, we could not have managed without

the parents and carers who volunteered to walk with them so thank you to those that helped out! The children explored the woods and enjoyed spotting signs of Autumn.

Here are some comments from the children:

Redford - I liked looking for sticks that had fallen from trees,

Bella C - I liked all the different coloured leaves.

Lucas - I liked hunting for the man in the trees. He was made from the tree.

Lolo- Grace - I liked picking up the sticks and leaves.

Alben - I had fun playing in the mud with my friends.

Lacey - The big stone was so huge!



## Birthdays

Special birthday wishes go to...

**Reception:** William, Jack WM, Zyra

Year 1: Clio-Marie, Savannah C, Jett

Year 2: Evan



## Christmas Menu Competition

We are running a competition for the children to design the Christmas menu for this year's Christmas meal. There will be an infant and a junior winner. The winning design will be sent out to all parents / carers and will be advertised in school. Children will also receive a prize. We would like the children to make the menu festive, colourful and eye catching! Please see the template attached to the newsletter email, if you don't have a printer at home and your child would be interested please ask them to pick up a copy from your child's classroom.

Please hand in entries to your child's class by 1st December. \_\_\_\_\_ **\*\*\*\*** \_\_\_\_

Christmas Menu - \*\*\*\*

Stay and 

Y2 have enjoyed their Stay and Write sessions this week. Thank you to all the parents and carers who came in to school to share in your child's learning with them. We hope you enjoyed the sessions too!

Here are some comments from the children:

Ava A - I liked meeting everyone's parents. I liked the activities because I love writing.

- Jarvis I learned how to use apostrophes for contractions.
- Ava P I liked writing sentences about the setting and Daddy helped.
- Lilianna My favourite part was doing an animal poster on the ipad.
- Harry G I liked doing the matching contractions sheet with Mummy.

Lucy - I liked practicing my handwriting and showing Mummy my new joined handwriting.

### **Important Dates**

Tuesday 28th November	Reception Stay and Play—9.15-10.15am	
Thursday 30th November	Reception Stay and Play—2-3pm	
Friday 1st December	Friends of Broadway Christmas Fair –5-7pm	
Wednesday 6th December	Choir singing at the Town Hall for The Women's Guild—volunteers needed please	
Friday 8th December	Christmas Performances 1 & 2 - 9.30am and 2pm	
Monday 11th December	Christmas Performances 3 & 4 - 9.30am and 2pm	
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas lunch & Christmas jumper day	
Thursday 14th December	Choir performance for parents 2.45pm	
Friday 15t December	Carols at St Mary's Church—volunteers needed to walk to the church please	
Friday 15th December	Last day of Term 2	
Tuesday 2nd January	INSET Day—school closed to all pupils	
Wednesday 3rd January	First day of Term 3 for pupils	
Thursday 11th January	New Year Discos—more information coming soon from Friends of Broadway	
Tuesday 16th January	Stay and Investigate (whole school) - 1.45-3.15pm	
Tuesday 1st February	Orange Class assembly—parents / carers invited	
Thursday 3rd February	Green Class assembly—parents / carers invited	
Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th February	Parent Consultation meetings – more information coming soon	
Thursday 8th February	Kids Fit workshops—all children to wear PE kit	
Friday 9th February	Last day of Term 3	

### Champion Readers

#### Well done to Blue Class for being the winning class this week!

Red	19	Yellow	18
Green	17	Orange	21
Purple	21	Blue	26



Champion reader numbers are hotly contested in assembly each week—the winning class gets to look after our 'Dreaming Dragon' toy in their class for the following week.

### Attendance

#### Our target is 97%

**94.6%** of children came to school everyday this week.

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

Red	91.3%	Yellow	94.6%
Green	94.6%	Orange	95%
Purple	93%	Blue	99.3%

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