

# BROADWAY BULLETIN



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## Headteacher's Welcome

Welcome back to a new, and exciting, academic year.

Our Broadway Bulletin will continue each month this year and has received lots of positive feedback from families. We were told that you appreciated the regular and clear communication. Thank you, again, to everyone for the support awarded to our school last academic year and we're all looking forward to building upon this.



Strong parental partnerships only benefit one, important thing... your child's education. Please do let us know if we can help you in any way that we can.

This month, we have welcomed Mrs Miah into our school who has enjoyed her first few weeks teaching in Year 5. We have also welcomed back Mrs Gardiner from her maternity leave and Mr Ramshaw has become a very proud dad too. I am pleased to announce that Miss Suddick has also given birth to a beautiful baby girl - **Congratulations!** 

During the summer break, our school was a busy place where Mr James worked his socks off to develop key areas and to perform essential maintenance. Our library was fitted by Funky Furniture, following a successful grant application and our Broadway Book Bus is (hopefully) on its way soon!

Thank you to our staff team too. They have worked very hard to re-vamp classrooms. Our children have returned to calmer, less busy classroom environments which has softened some of our areas in school. As always, I have a fair few ideas up my sleeve to make Broadway the very best that it can be and as we continue to grow and develop further. I cannot wait to share our many successes with you again in this year's editions of the Broadway Bulletin... watch this space!

Best wishes,

David Walton-Jonas

Do you need Wraparound care?
We now offer a Wraparound until 5.00pm each night.
Please speak with the school office for more information...

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# Workers of the Week



This month, the following children have been rewarded for their hard work in school. Well done!

ЗЈМ	Joey Maisie
3LH	Esme Jasmine
4CL	Ava-Skye Tommy
4HG	Eli Mason
5GR	Roxie Amber
5ES	Leo Ellie
5ZG	Reece Jay
6CJ	Poppy Mason
6BP	Penny (Derwent Hill week)
6SW	Sophie Ashton

# **Attendance**

To date, our whole school attendance is 94.9%.

Attendance, this month, across all classes are summarised below.

ЗЈМ	97.6%
3LH	98.9%
4CL	95.2%
4HG	93.8%
5GR	96.7%
5ES	88.6%
5ZG	93.7%
6CJ	97%
6BP	88.8%
6SW	97.2%

# **Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher**

Each week, one child per year group is invited to have hot chocolate and share their great work or ideas!





#### A Gateway into Governance...

#### Meet Mrs Nicola Walker - Staff Governor and Deputy Headteacher

It is with great excitement that I welcome you back to Broadway Junior School for another wonderful school year! As Deputy Headteacher, I am thrilled to see so many familiar faces and to warmly welcome our new Year 3 children, who have settled in beautifully. You have already shown such enthusiasm and positivity – what a fantastic start to your journey with us!

We are also excited to share some wonderful new developments that have been put in place to make this year extra special for everyone. One of our highlights is OPAL playtimes, which aims to enrich children's play experiences. This initiative encourages creative, active, and inclusive play, and we've already seen some brilliant fun happening on the playground!

In addition, we are incredibly proud to unveil our **gorgeous** new library. This bright, welcoming space is designed to inspire a love of reading and exploration. We excited about our pupils diving into the fantastic collection of books we've handpicked to suit every reader. It is already a hugely popular addition to our school and it is so lovely to see our children curled up, enjoying a good book.

#### Meet the Teacher

Thank you to our families for attending Meet the Teacher events this month. It is a valuable opportunity to see your child's classroom and to understand the policies and systems in place.



All of the relevant documents have been posted on our school website so you can access these at any time. ©

#### Year 6 visit Derwent Hill

Those children who attended Derwent Hill were an absolute credit to our school. The children had a fantastic experience and were a shining example of our school values in action!

It has been wonderful to hear about the memories made which will undoubtedly last them all a life time... staff already have their bags packed for next year's visit. Everyone loved it.

# French Day



European Day of languages is celebrated across Europe every year on 26<sup>th</sup> September. It aims to promote the rich diversity of Europe and raise awareness of the importance of lifelong language



learning for everyone. Here at Broadway, we immersed ourselves in the French language for the day. Each year group participated in a variety of spoken and written language lessons which involved listening to songs, playing games and many children even writing their own sentences in French. We also enjoyed researching some famous French artists which resulted in us recreating some of their most famous artwork.

# Macmillan Coffee Morning – A BIG thank you from Broadway!



Thank you to our families who supported our school's effort to support Macmillan this year.

We raised £220 and we are so grateful to everyone.

#### Thank you to Greggs!

Greggs proudly sponsor our FREE, daily Breakfast Club. We have been keen to collaborate further and we were so grateful when volunteers who work for Greggs expressed an interest in developing an area of our school.



They have been hard at work to further develop our school playground and have painted areas which help to maintain our grounds. **Incredible.** 

#### Welcome to Broadway Junior School, Year 3!

#### A big Broadway "Hello" to:

Jazmyn, Zak, Jackson, Carter, Brandon, Ava, Joey, Ronnie-Mae, Kian, Archie, Lateysha, Betty-May, Joshua, Kaiden, Oliver, Georgia, Jasmine, Toni-Rose, Indi-Mai, Eloise, Beau, Harry, Lucy, Daisy, Emelia, Caiden, Maisie, Matilda, Maya, Gracie-Mae, Lucas, Muna, Uchechi, Angel, Treasure, Jonas, Darcy, Ryan, Elaina, Aria, Aleah, Harlan, Yasmin, Lenny, Joshua, Anneya, Bobby, Toby, Esmee, Daniel, Theo, Robert, Henry, Ivy, Isla, Aurora, Eliza

#### Music Tuition - Welcome to Mr Leadbitter



Year 3 have worked hard in their first glockenspiel lessons with Mr Leadbitter. They have clapped out rhythms and then transferred this to the instruments with great success. They can't wait for the next lesson.

#### **3LH – Pedestrian Training Programme**



Pedestrian training has been carried out by Sunderland City Council's road safety team. The children spent a lesson in the classroom learning all about potential hazards when crossing the road. They then put their knowledge into practice on Cortina Avenue.



## Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL)

Our OPAL Play project began at the end of the Summer time and we are already seeing the benefits of how we play in the playground. We are being introduced to new and exciting resources to give us new opportunities and experiences in our play. So far this term we have already introduced a tyre trail, a stage with music and microphones and even participated in den building activities during our sessions with Mrs. Martin

#### Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM)

An element of our school improvement work last academic year included the development of our science curriculum, and provision. Congratulations are in order and special recognition to Mrs Giles, our Science Lead, who has enabled such positive change.





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#### Assessors have quality assured our work stating:

'Science at Broadway Junior has been revitalised: the new vision and principles are clearly seen in practice throughout the portfolio and in the reflections.'

'Science has been rigorously monitored through your recently established monitoring cycle, which includes pupil voice.'

`Forest School is an excellent addition to the school curriculum and now that the pupils are benefitting from a weekly lesson.'

'Children are clearly developing their science capital through many of the opportunities now offered to them. The whole school adoption of a science week has been successful.'

#### Sunderland's Active Charter – Gold Award

GOLD Active Sunderland School 2023-24 Our PE offer in school continues to be recognised for its quality. For the fifth year in a row, our school has achieved the GOLD standard showcasing all of the wonderful opportunities that are made available in school. Mr Lindstedt, our passionate PE Lead, has worked tirelessly to ensure that this remains in place – Well done.

# THANK YOU, Stagecoach!

Our Broadway Book Bus has finally arrived. How could you miss it on our school yard?! As part of our going improvements to play, it is a welcomed addition to our playground and a space which can be developed further in the future... we are keen to take all of the children's great ideas!





Stagecoach

#### A reminder of key dates coming up...

Any changes/additions/amendments are indicated in red.

Who?	When?	What's Happening?
Year 3LH	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2024	Walkwise Begins (3 sessions, each Wednesday)
Year 6	Wednesday 2 October 2021	Beamish Visit – Reference separate letter
Year 4	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Fire Safety Assembly
Whole School	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Show Racism the Red Card  Children wear red to school
Whole School	wb. Monday 21st October 2024	Harvest Details to follow
Whole School	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Halloween Dress Up Day 1.00-2.00pm – Year 3 & 4 Party 2.00-3.00pm – Year 5 & 6 Party
Whole School	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	School closes (Half Term)
	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	School re-opens
SEND	wb. Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	SEND Review Meetings
Whole School	wb. Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Parents Evenings
Whole School	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Odd Socks Day Children wear odd socks
Whole School	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Children in Need Children wear yellow/spots or Pudsey items
Whole School	Thursday 21st November 2024	Phototronics – School Photographs
Whole School	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas in the Classrooms  Families invited – 1.30pm start
Whole School	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Panto @ The Customs House, South Shields Details to follow
Whole School	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day  Children wear Christmas jumpers
Year 3	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Performance Families invited – 11.00am start PM – Year 3 Christmas Party
Year 5	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Performance Families invited – 11.00am start PM – Year 5 Christmas Party
Year 4	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Performance Families invited – 11.00am start  PM – Year 4 Christmas Party
Year 6	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Christmas Performance Families invited – 11.00am start  PM – Year 6 Christmas Party
Whole School	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	End of Term – School closes Non-Uniform – Christmas Jumpers

# Department for Education (DfE) - Attendance Updates

#### Fines for parents taking children out of school: What you need to know...

It has been circulated widely within the media that the government have adapted their approach when tackling attendance issues which impact schools across the country. I would like to thank our families where the majority support our school's attendance meaning last year's overall attendance was above national figures and persistent absenteeism was below. We will continue to work positively with you all to support any difficulties that you may face in relation to regular attendance.

Scan the QR code which takes you to a useful blog from the DfE. This will explain the government's updated approach in greater detail. It is important to note, if your child has good attendance, this won't be an issue.

