

BROADWAY BULLETIN



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Headteacher's Welcome

I would like to take a moment to thank all of our school community for their support in our first half term. Thank you to families who have supported school during our recent SEND reviews or Parent Evenings – it has been lovely to see you all. In the next few pages, you will see just a fraction of the wonderful things that take place here as standard.

Behind the scenes, we have continued to manage our school budget so that we can make some more exciting improvements to our school building. Next on the agenda, is an improved computing offer where we hope to replace and improve our school's computing suite. Pupils tell us that our hardware is aging... and they're right. We expect nothing but the best for the pupils at Broadway so we are on the case. Very careful financial management has made all of the next steps possible for us – we are excited to see what comes next!

Should you ever need us, please do not hesitate to get in touch but, for now, we are wishing everyone a safe and restful half term break! See you all again on Monday 3rd November. © Best wishes,

David Walton-Jonas



Many of you may know Mr James with a big, welcoming smile at our school gate each morning. He has worked at Broadway Junior School for 17 years now and is a key member of staff who enables much of the positive change here at our school site. In his spare time, Mr James likes to watch Mr. McCabe's Band, The Rabble Rousers, and in school his favourite thing to do is to build new things for children to enjoy.



Don't forget to show Mr James your appreciation when you see him around next time.

We are a Book Donation School...

Do you fancy a half term holiday clear out?

As part of the Children's Book Project, our school is a 'Donation School'. We are happy to accept kind donations of pre-loved books which will enhance our school library, classroom book shelves or can even be used as book prizes.

CHILDREN'S BOOK PROJECT

Please drop them off at our school office.

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Work Hard | Be Kind | Shine Bright

Workers of the Week



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

| | Edee |
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| ЗЈМ | Emily |
| | Fin |
| | Alpha |
| | Michael |
| 3LH | Reuben |
| | Mason |
| | Ethan |
| | Darcy |
| 4CL | Daisy |
| | Darcy |
| | Bobby |
| | Joshua |
| 4HG | Alfie |
| | Joey |
| | Betty |
| | Kian |
| 4ZG | Aria |
| | Ivy |
| | Ivy |
| 5ES | Cobey |
| | Eli |
| | William |
| | Nour |
| | Nancy |
| | Reggie |
| 5SS | Ellia |
| | Emisyn |
| | Grace |
| 6BS | Ronny |
| | Derwent Hill |
| | Olivia |
| 6CJ | Heidi |
| | Jez |
| | Derwent Hill |
| | Finley |
| | Hannah |
| 6GR | Amber |
| | Corey |
| | Jay |

Attendance

To date, our whole school attendance is 94%

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

| ЗЈМ | 96.2% |
|------------|-------|
| 3LH | 94.1% |
| 4CL | 97.5% |
| 4HG | 93.5% |
| 4ZG | 93.4% |
| 5ES | 91.5% |
| 5SS | 97.3% |
| 6BS | 91.9% |
| 6CJ | 97.3% |
| 6GR | 95.5% |

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!









Are you a Mathemagician?
Can you solve the
'Problem of the Month'?

Guess the dominoes for two





Year 6 visit Derwent Hill



Year 6 visited Derwent Hill at the end of September. The group of 40 children took part in activities such as: hill walking, rock climbing, canoeing, orienteering, gorge scrambling and bush craft. So many memories were created for our children and of course, as ever, the 'death swing' was a highlight for many.





Year 5 STEM Fest



On October 6th, our children had an exciting and inspiring visit to **STEMFest** at the Vertu Arena in Newcastle. The event was packed with hands-on activities across four interactive zones, each showcasing careers in science, technology, engineering, and math. Highlights included travelling through a virtual universe in the Space Zone, meeting robot dogs in the Technology Zone, exploring the



properties of wood in the Nature Zone, and tackling creative challenges in the Engineering Zone. It was a fun-filled day that sparked curiosity and enthusiasm for the world of STEM!

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Voice 21 – What is 'Oracy'?

We are excited to announce that **Broadway Junior School is now a Voice 21 School!** This marks an important step in our commitment to enriching our children's educational journey through the power of **oracy**.

But what is oracy?

Oracy is the ability to speak clearly, confidently, and appropriately in different situations. Just like reading and writing, oracy is a vital skill that helps children succeed both in school and in life. It involves not only speaking fluently but also listening carefully, building ideas collaboratively, and presenting thoughts effectively.

At Broadway Junior, we believe every child deserves the opportunity to find their voice—and be heard.

By becoming a Voice 21 School, we are now part of a national network of schools that are dedicated to embedding high-quality oracy education across the curriculum. This means that our children will benefit from opportunities to:

- Develop greater confidence in speaking
- Improve their vocabulary and communication skills
- Work better in groups and collaborate respectfully
- Be more engaged in their learning

We look forward to sharing more about our oracy journey in the months ahead.

Ambassador Roles Introducing Our New Subject Ambassadors!

We are proud to share that several children at **Broadway Junior School** have been selected to become **Subject Ambassadors** — a new and exciting role within our school community.

Our Subject Ambassadors are pupils who have shown a keen interest and enthusiasm for a particular subject, such as English, Maths, Science, PE, or Art. These children will be working closely with our subject leaders to help improve and shape the curriculum across the school.

What will Subject Ambassadors do?

As part of their role, Subject Ambassadors will:

- Share feedback on what's working well in lessons and what could be improved
- Help gather ideas and opinions from their classmates
- Support teachers in planning exciting learning experiences
- Represent pupil voice
- Celebrate and promote their subject across the school

This role is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to develop leadership, communication, and teamwork skills, while also having a real impact on how subjects are taught and experienced at Broadway Junior School.

We are incredibly proud of all the children chosen for these roles and look forward to seeing how they help shape the future of learning in our school.

Year 6 at Beamish





Year 6 stepped back in time and enjoyed a fantastic day at Beamish Open Air Museum, as part of this term's history topic. We all dressed in our 1940's attire and experienced what life was like for a child who was evacuated during World War 2. We also made the most of our day at this special museum and learned about life in Britain across a range of time periods. Thank you to everyone at home for all your help with costumes – the children really did look amazing!

Show Racism the Red Card



SHOW RACISM THE RED CARD

Showing racism the red card does not only belong in October. However, our children have engaged in important messages within their classrooms recently whilst wearing red in recognition. Year 3 enjoyed reading the inspiration story of Jesse Owens in support and it has been great to hear examples of how our school value – Be Kind – is embedded.



Year 4 Groundworks Workshop

Lydia from Groundwork NE visited year four last week. She taught us about waste management and showed us how to reduce, reuse and recycle

our rubbish. We had all brought in glass jars from home; which we decorated using a range of materials including tissue paper, acrylic paint and leaves we had collected. We each created our





own lantern, into which we can add fairy lights or a battery operated candle.



Outstanding Contribution to PE and School Sport in Sunderland

Our very own Mr Lindstedt has been recognised at the Primary PE Conference after making an 'outstanding contribution' to primary PE and sport within Sunderland. As PE lead, he has shown an unparralled commitment to not only delivering high-quality pysical eduacation but also ensuring that sport is accessible, inclusive and fun for every child.

We are so proud of you, Mr Lindstedt... and thank you.





A reminder of key dates coming up...

Any changes/additions/amendments are indicated in red.

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| Whole School | Monday 3 rd November 2025 | School re-opens |
| Year 4 | Tuesday 4 th November 2025 | Hancock Museum |
| Whole School | Monday 10 th November 2025 | Children wear 'Odd Socks' (Anti Bullying Week) |
| Whole School | Friday 14 th November 2025 | Children in Need Children wear yellow |
| Whole School | Tuesday 18 th November 2025 | Flu Immunisations – Details to follow |
| Whole School | Friday 21st November 2025 | School Photographs |
| Year 5 | Tuesday 25 th November 2025 | School Nurse Visit |
| Selected Children | Monday 1st December 2025 | Sunderland Tennis Centre – Details to follow |
| Year 6 | Tuesday 2 nd December 2025 | School Nurse Visit |
| Whole School | Friday 5 th December 2025 | Children wear Christmas Jumpers every Friday in December. © |
| Whole School | Wednesday 10 th December 2025 | Panto (AM) – Customs House. |
| Whole School | Thursday 11 th December 2025 | Official Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch Children wear Christmas Jumpers |
| Whole School | Friday 12 th December 2025 | Children wear Christmas Jumpers 1.30pm – Christmas in the Classrooms Families invited |
| Year 6 | Monday 15 th December 2025 | 11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – Party Clothes Needed |
| Year 5 | Tuesday 16 th December 2025 | 11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – Party Clothes Needed |
| Year 3 | Wednesday 17 th December 2025 | 11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – Party Clothes Needed |
| Year 4 | Thursday 18 th December 2025 | 11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – Party Clothes Needed |
| Whole School | Friday 19 th December 2025 | Children wear Christmas Jumpers School closes – End of Term |

Be Ready... Be Respectful... Be Safe...

At Broadway Junior School, we want our pupils to grow into respectful young people, who understand how to settle differences in a mature, respectful and constructive manner, both online and offline. We expect parents to abide by these guidelines so that you can help us model safe, responsible and appropriate social media use for our pupils. This includes voicing opinions about the school (or other children/staff) in a way that respects the hard work, dedication and professionalism of our whole school community. We have noted an increase in parents voicing 'adult issues' in front of their children at times – this is inappropriate. Everyone should, within the law, speak in a way that is respectful and appropriate to everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Today, our children have enjoyed a dress up day in school where they've danced, laughed and ended the half term with a bang.

We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday away from school.

We return on Monday 3rd November 2025.