

# BROADWAY BULLETIN

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#### Headteacher's Welcome

This month may have brought us some dark nights early in the day but we continue to **Shine Bright** here at Broadway Junior School. We have had multiple opportunities to showcase our school to other colleagues across the city this month who have been inspired to make positive changes in their own schools too. What a privilege it is for me to lead such a brilliant school filled with wonderful children and staff.

I am delighted to have received emails from people who have described our school as exceptional, incredible or inspirational. We always endeavor to do our very best and never aim to get it wrong. If we do, let us know and we will help.

Thank you to our families who continue to support us and have provided us with such excellent feedback in our recent questionnaires. I have summarised some of the excellent results in this month's edition.

Best wishes,

David Walton-Jonas



#### Beautiful Baby News!

Congratulations to Mrs Gardiner and her family who have announced to staff that her beautiful baby girl was safely delivered on Wednesday 19th November.

We wish them all our best well wishes and hope that she enjoys her maternity leave!



#### Children in Need

Thank you to our families for your support during Children in Need recently.

We have donated £60 to this brilliant cause.



# **Cosy Corners**

Our Cosy Corners are now open and our classrooms continue to improve – pupils in school explain that they use and love these new areas. Take a look when you're next in school (our Christmas Brochure has been released where there's lots of opportunities to join in with school life soon)!

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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!

	Davil:
ЗЈМ	Bayli
	Lilly
	Lily
	Micah
3LH	Noah
	Talia
	Lacey
	Isla
4CL	Jackson
	Yasmin
	Esme
	Joshua
	Joey
4HG	Matilda
	Gracie-Mae
	Eliza
	Lincoln
4ZG	Henry
	Harry
	Daniel
	Evie
5ES	Jack
	Mason
	Leah
	Daniella
	Evie-Leigh
5SS	Mason
	Phoebe
	Pearl
	Marnie
6BS	Harry
	Hallie
6CJ	James
	Perry
	Nel
	Henry
	Ruban
	Reece
6GR	Jacob
	Aliya

# **Attendance**

To date, our whole school attendance is 93.9%.

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

ЗЈМ	93.2%
3LH	92.7%
4CL	95.3%
4HG	93.9%
4ZG	97%
5ES	93%
5SS	93.5%
6BS	92.2%
6CJ	93%
6GR	98.4%

# **Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher**











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

# **Number lines in disguise**

Some of the numbers have fallen off Becky's number line. Can you figure out what they were?





My Happy Mind

#### This half term's theme has been 'Celebrate'

We have been looking at our Character Strengths, understanding more about who we are and celebrating being us! We first predicted our own strengths and then took part in an online survey from the VIA Institute on Character. It was interesting to see whether our predictions were accurate!

We have been able to think about situations where we use our top character strengths, when we have seen others using theirs and have thought carefully about which strengths we want to grow. Ask us about our Character Strengths and go to the VIA Institute on Character website to find out your own; we promise you'll be impressed!

#### Welcome to Starbooks...

At Broadway Junior School, we're always looking for creative ways to celebrate our readers and inspire a lifelong love of books. This half term, we're thrilled to launch our brand-new Starbooks Reading Café — a cosy, book-themed treat for children who have been recognised as Reader of the Week!



Each half term, our special readers will receive an exclusive invitation to visit our Starbooks Reading Cafe, where they can relax with a delicious Starbooks cuppa and a sweet treat. During their visit, children can choose a book to keep, and spend some peaceful time enjoying their reading in our café-style setting.

The Starbooks Café is all about promoting reading for pleasure — celebrating effort, enthusiasm, and the joy of getting lost in a good story. We're so proud of our children for their hard work and excitement around reading, and we can't wait to see even more children enjoying this special experience throughout the year. So keep reading, Broadway Junior School — your next stop might just be Starbooks!

#### Mental Health Charter Mark – We are GOLD



This month we have welcomed assessors into school who have explored our offer of support for anyone who may require mental health support. We value and have high hopes for everyone in relation to the support that they receive within school (should it be needed). We're proud that assessors have recognised this essential element of our school's work for both children and staff alike. We're delighted to have been awarded a GOLD award!

#### Year 4 visit the Hancock Museum

Year 4 enjoyed a day at the Hancock Museum in Newcastle. They spent the morning as time travellers and were involved in a time odyssey challenge where they needed to use their warp deck (iPad) to save their chosen character who was frozen in time. During the afternoon they all visited the living planet gallery where they completed geography fieldwork by exploring animals and their habitats.



#### Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-Bullying has been a huge success in school, as it always is! We started the week coming to school wearing our odd socks (and odd shoes for some!) to celebrate our individual differences and to recognise that standing out for all the right reasons is such a positive thing. We looked at this year's theme 'Power for Good' and thought carefully about how we can continue this message in our own lives and to those around us. We understand the different roles in a potential bullying situation and



why is it always brave to speak out. Every child has received a challenge to take home to spread this important message - doing something good each day!

Please remember to return your entries in four weeks time so we can see all of the GOOD things you have been up to!

# AUDITS AND QUALITY ASSURANCE - "WE ARE A SAFE SCHOOL!"

# ANOTHER Fabulous Food Hygiene Rating!

I am delighted to announce that, following our recent kitchen food hygiene inspection, our Breakfast Club provision has also been audited. Our 7.30am club and FREE 8.00am club has received a VERY GOOD rating – 5/5.

Well done to all of the team!



### Health & Safety

Recently, we were due the next cycle of audits relating to Health & Safety and a member of the team from Sunderland Council has worked alongside me and Mrs Oliver checking rigorously all aspects of our practice, paperwork and building works. Our audit report is excellent and again reflects the hard work of all those involved. Keeping your children safe is at the heart of what we do and our feedback continues to be excellent.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

It has been a busy month as I have also worked with safeguarding partners to quality assure our safeguarding practices. I am delighted to report that our school's approach to safeguarding meets all of the expected criteria and, again, with many aspects of our practice being noted as exceptional. We work tirelessly to ensure that our school is an amazing place for our children but, with that, we have a duty to ensure everyone is safe, always.

Should you ever need to contact a safeguarding lead they are: **David Walton-Jonas** (Headteacher/Designated Lead), **Nicola Walker** (Deputy Headteacher), **Jade Hanratty** (PSO) or **Dan Ramshaw** (SENDCo). We're here to help...

## OPAL – We Need Your Help!

We need your help to further develop our OPAL play offer at Broadway Junior School!

As many of you know, OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) is a vital part of our school day, helping children build confidence, develop social skills, grow their creativity and imagination, and enjoy active, meaningful play in all weathers. To continue improving our play provision, each class will soon receive an **OPAL Bingo** card filled with items we are hoping to collect to enhance play across the school. When children bring in an item from their class card, it will be crossed off—once the class completes a line, every child earns 10 minutes of extra OPAL play. We also have a special **star** item: a scooter, which will earn the class an amazing 20 extra minutes of play. And if a class achieves a full house, they will be rewarded with a fantastic 30 minutes of additional OPAL play.

Thank you for your support — eyes down and let the OPAL BINGO begin!

#### **Parent Questionnaires**

Thank you to our families who have completed a parent questionnaire recently. We are thrilled to share that **100%** of respondents would recommend Broadway Junior School.



I have no complaints at all, I feel my child is thriving in school.

The school communicates really well about what is happening in advance, and is considerate towards working parents. The playground changes are really good. It has been really lovely to hear how our child is doing and that there are ambitious tasks set for all abilities. Thank you.

Teachers and staff always do their best for the pupils go above and beyond with anything they can to make sure they children have what they need to learn best as they

Brilliant school with fantastic teachers/staff. Always happy to help and encourage my child to thrive and learn.

My child feels safe in this school: 98%

My child has been bullied and the school dealt with it quickly and effectively: 96%

The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year: 98%

When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been properly dealt with: 98%

My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support that they need to succeed: 100



# A reminder of key dates coming up... Any changes/additions/amendments are indicated in red.

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Whole School	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	School re-opens
Selected Children	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2025	Sunderland Tennis Centre – Details to follow
Year 6	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025	School Nurse Visit
Whole School	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Children wear Christmas Jumpers every Friday in December. ©
Whole School	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Panto (AM) – Customs House.
Whole School	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Official Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch Children wear Christmas Jumpers
Whole School	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Children wear Christmas Jumpers 1.30pm – Christmas in the Classrooms Families invited
Year 6	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – <b>Party Clothes Needed</b>
Year 5	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – <b>Party Clothes Needed</b>
Year 3	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – <b>Party Clothes Needed</b>
Year 4	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	11am – Christmas Performance (PM) – Christmas Party – <b>Party Clothes Needed</b>
Whole School	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Children wear Christmas Jumpers School closes – End of Term

