

Dear parents and carers,

The children have had a lovely week in school. One highlight was Y3 children visiting Reception on Thursday this week who came to draw around their hands to compare the hand sizes of Reception, Y3 and Y6 hand size for their work on the skeleton in Science. This was a lovely example of our growing opportunities for the children to work across the federation.

Next week it is our Stay and Exercise sessions where parents can come to school for a PE session with their children! Please come in trainers and be ready to join in!

Over the following few weeks we have Reception class assemblies and the school photographer coming in to photograph class groups and individual shots of the Y2 leavers—keep an eye on the dates section for these and any other additions as the summer terms are notoriously busy in school!

Enjoy the weekend with your families,

Miss Tumelty

## Teaching of Reading in Y2

Following on from the previous information about the change in reading books coming home, the next step is a change in the way we read with children in school. From this week, children in Year 2 will be having a whole class reading lesson every day. This is to focus on building pace and fluency, broadening vocabulary, as well as increasing awareness of punctuation. Most children will not have a sticker in their reading record from their teacher, although some may still have a sticker as they need more 1:1 reading opportunities. Children will bring home the text from their reading lesson to share at home. Similar lessons will begin in Year 1 in the near future. Please feel free to contact Mrs Titley if you have any questions about this process, she will be happy to discuss it with you further.

## Vision and Values Consultation

As you know Broadway and The Ridge formally federated at the end of last academic year and Miss Tumelty became head across the federation in January 2024. We would like to develop consistent values and vision for the two schools. To do this we will be consulting with our stakeholders including the children, parents / carers, staff and governors. We would appreciate it if you completed this short survey to share your thoughts on the future vision and values for the federation.

[Click here to access the survey](#)

## Messages from...

### Reception

Next week children will be bringing home lines to learn for our class assemblies in their reading records. Please can you practice these with your child.

### Y1

Children now have their Term 5 homework sheet, please continue to practice for their phonics screening.

### Y2

Thank you for all the cardboard tubes that you donated, we now enough.

# Chicks in Reception

Reception were so excited to have the arrival of eggs in a incubator two weeks ago, they made predictions what could have been inside the eggs and then were so excited to watch the baby chicks hatch! We were lucky to have all ten babies hatch and the children have helped to take care of them in the classroom and have enjoyed watching them grow.

I like writing about the chicks—India

They were fluffy and soft when we got to hold them—Travis

I like looking at them pecking in the brooder box—Darcey

They were all tickly when I held the boy chick—Finnbar

They were so cute and fluffy. I liked them sitting on my leg—William

There was 1 egg and it was hatching in Yellow class—Redford

I liked holding them. He tried to jump off me and escape—Millie

I liked holding the chicks because they were super soft—Bella C

We had 4 girls and 6 boys. All 10 hatched! - Lucas

## Lunchbreak Supervisor Job

We are still recruiting for Lunchbreak Supervisors across the federation. One post would be based at Broadway and one at The Ridge—please see the attached advert for details. You would be joining a friendly team and the hours fit in well with school hours. Please contact the office if you are interested.

## Summer Fayre

The Friends of Broadway have been busy planning for our Wild West Summer Fayre and will soon be asking for volunteers on the big day. There are lots of stalls and games planned and we desperately need people to sign up for a 30 minute slot. This still gives you plenty of time to enjoy the fayre yourself. If you think you could spare half an hour to help on Saturday 22nd June, either setting up or during the Fayre, please let the school office know. This event raises a great deal of money for both schools, so your support is very much appreciated.

As usual, we will be holding the Great Bridgeway Bake Off on Friday 21st June. There will be prizes for infants and juniors best tasting cake or bake, as well as prizes for the best looking Wild West cake or bake. All the bakes will be sold in our Calamity Café on the day of the Fayre.

Also, there will be a competition to make a miniature desert garden or a miniature Wild West ranch, which will be judged on the day of the Fayre by the school councils from both schools. Start planning your entries now as there will be an infant and junior prize!

## Congratulations Mrs Grundy!



A message from Mrs Grundy...  
'As many of you know, on Sunday I completed the London Marathon. Despite it being the most mentally and physically exhausting experience, I had the best day and crossing the finish line will remain a memory I will always treasure. A huge thank you to everyone for their well wishes and congratulations, as

well as all the support fundraising. In total I have raised £4428 for the MS Society!'

## 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.

Well done to **Blue Class** for being the winners this week!!

Red	20	Yellow	22
Green	22	Orange	22
Purple	23	Blue	28

# Important Dates

Monday 29th April	Y2 Stay and Exercise—9.15-10.45
Thursday 2nd May	Y1 Stay and Exercise—9.15-10.45
Friday 3rd May	YR Stay and Exercise—9.15-10.45
Monday 6th May	Early May Bank Holiday—School is closed
Thursday 9th May	Class photos and individual photos of Y2 leavers—main school uniform to be worn by all
Tuesday 14th May	Red Class assembly for parents—3pm—parents / carers invited
Thursday 16th May	Yellow Class assembly for parents—3pm—parents / carers invited
Thursday 16th May	Friends of Broadway cake sale—donations from YR
Friday 24th May	Last day of Term 5
Monday 3rd June	First day of Term 6
Monday 3rd June	Orange Class Stay and Compute—1.45-3.15pm
Tuesday 4th June	Blue Class Stay and Compute—1.45-3.15pm
Wednesday 5th June	Green Class Stay and Compute—1.45-3.15pm
Thursday 6th June	Purple Class Stay and Compute—1.45-3.15pm
Friday 14th June	Non-uniform in exchange for tombola prizes for Summer Fayre
Monday 17th June	Y1 Sports Event—9.15—10.15—parents welcome—more info coming soon
Tuesday 18th June	Y2 Sports Event—2.15—3.15—parents welcome—more info coming soon
Thursday 20th June	YR Sports Event—9.15—10.15—parents welcome—more info coming soon
Saturday 22nd June	Summer Fayre
Friday 28th June	Inset Day—School closed to pupils

## Attendance

Our target is 97%

The whole school attendance for this week is 96.6%

Red	94.6%	Yellow	95.5%
Green	97.7%	Orange	97.6%
Purple	96.6%	Blue	97.6%

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...

Reception: Toby J, Isla-Rose E

Year 1: Logan

Year 2: Freddie, Harrison B

