



BRAYFORD ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

LIFE, LOVE AND LEARNING TO THE FULL

08th November 2024

Dates and key information

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### School Meals

Week Beginning 18<sup>th</sup> November – **Pink**  
Juniors ~ £2.55 Infants ~ Free  
**November**

- **Mon 18<sup>th</sup>** – Road Safety Week
- **Tues 19<sup>th</sup>** – Lego Club 3.30-4.15pm
- **Tues 19<sup>th</sup>** – Eco Club
- **Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>** – Farm trip (Juniors)
- **Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>** – India Meeting
- **Fri 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Brumble Bees & Infants Forest School

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club runs daily when required from 7.45am to 8.45am and is available to all children at the cost of £4.00 per child. If you wish your child to eat breakfast they need to arrive before 8.15am. There is support available with the cost if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium. **Please pre-book sessions by midday the day before the required session through the school office by email to [admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk) or alternatively phone 01598 710345.**

**PLEASE NOTE if your child is not booked in to Breakfast Club they will be unable to attend.**



Dear Parents,

What a busy week! On Monday we gathered for a two-minute silence for Remembrance Day, the children were very respectful during this time. On Tuesday we had an assembly based on Anti-Bullying Week. We discussed what bullying is and how it can make people feel. The children shared ideas and asked sensible questions about this topic.

Wednesday was very busy too! 8 of our junior children took part in the TEAM Cross Country Festival at High Bickington School. They had a wonderful time and represented our school very well.

We also celebrated 'Positive Noticing Day' on Wednesday. The children were encouraged to notice other children or adults being kind, caring, helpful or working hard. It was a lovely way to spread positivity and the children were beaming when they received a positive tag to go home with. Well done to all of our children.

Thank you to all parents who attended parents evening on Thursday. It is always a good chance to share the hard work that your children have been doing.

Today we have had a non-uniform day for 'Children in Need'. The children were bright and colourful and took part in an assembly all about this charity.

Miss Sara Leggott  
Head of School

## Why is Attendance important?

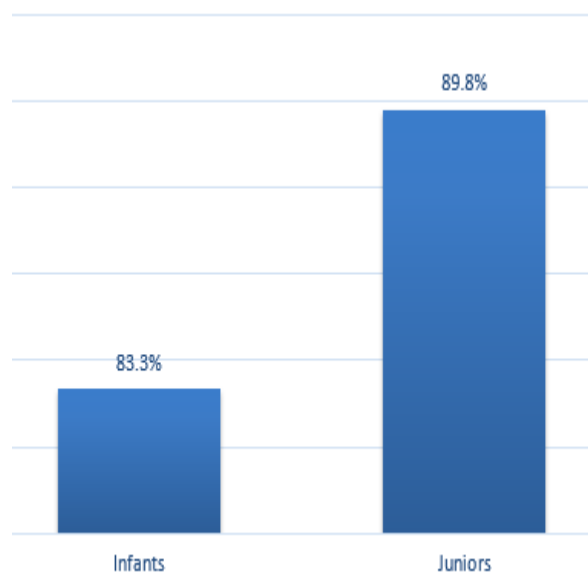
Regular attendance in primary school is crucial for a child's academic success and overall development.

Every lesson builds on the previous one, and missing school can cause gaps in understanding, making it harder for students to keep up with their peers.

Consistent attendance also helps children develop important social skills, such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving, which are essential for their emotional growth and future success.

Additionally, being present in school fosters a sense of routine and responsibility, helping children build good habits that will serve them well in later life.

Attending school regularly lays the foundation for both academic achievement and personal growth.



## Attendance Ladder



## Farm Trip

The Junior class have earned a whopping 1000 dojo points as a class since September so we have arranged a lovely reward for their hard work and good attitude (just a few ways they can earn them).

We have organised a farm visit to Andrew Heard's Farm on Thursday, 21st Nov. We think it will be a great experience and open the children's eyes to how our world is changing and embracing the use of technology.

We will leave school at 11.30am and have lunch at the farm. We will return in plenty of time for Rock Steady at 2.30pm. We will be travelling in the school minibus and Mrs Ashcroft's car. Uniform is to be worn.

Children will need wellies, warm outer clothes (coat, hat, gloves) and a packed lunch.

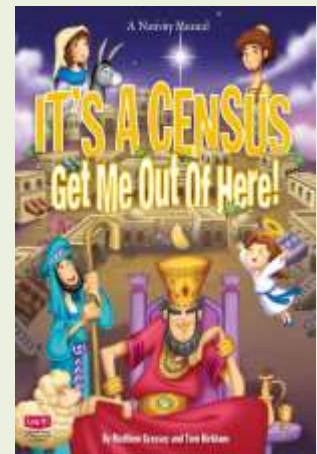
Please give permission on Arbor and indicate if your child will need a packed lunch preparing by school.



## CHRISTMAS PLAY

The Christmas play 'It's a Census Get Me out of Here' will be taking place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at High Bray Church.

There will be two performances at 2.00pm and 6.00pm



## Christmas Craft Club

Please see below the dates for Christmas Craft Club which will be run after school from 3.30-4.15pm:

- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 2nd Dec



Thank you to the PTFA for running this club for our children!



Well Done  
for receiving a certificate of achievement



Certificate of Achievement

Juniors

George- For spotting the exchange each time in our subtractions.

Rose- For concentrating at all times.

Infants

Oliver- Excellent effort with your sounds



- If your child is poorly, please report their absence to the school office on 01598 710345 by **9.30am**.
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance to the school office.
- Any other absences must be applied for via an absence request form.
- Please supply your child with a refillable drinks bottle every day.
- Warm coats for outdoor play if it's wet or cold!
- Please park considerately in the Village hall car park for drop off and pickups.
- If your child is being collected by someone else, please ensure you email or phone the school office and let us know.

**The School Office**

Emails are only monitored between 8.30am and 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the school number 01598 710345. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.



## **Menu w/c 18<sup>th</sup> November**

### **MONDAY**

Beef Meatballs with Spaghetti  
V: Quorn Meatballs  
Garlic Bread & Sweetcorn  
Sponge of the Day with Custard

### **TUESDAY**

Pork Sausage  
V: Cheese Wheels  
Potatoes, Baked Beans & Mixed Veg  
Peaches and Ice Cream

### **WEDNESDAY**

Roast of the Day  
V: Vegetarian Roast  
Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables  
Lemon Drizzle Cake

### **THURSDAY**

Chicken Pie & Gravy  
V: Vegetarian Pie  
Diced Potatoes and Carrots  
Fruit Muffin

### **FRIDAY**

Fish Fingers  
V: Quorn Nuggets  
Golden Fries, Baked Beans, Peas  
Fruit Platter

Also available everyday:  
Jacket potato with Tuna, Cheese or  
Beans

Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Cost of School Lunches:  
Infants – Free  
Juniors - £2.55 per meal

## Calendar 2024

Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Summer term. These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

- 21<sup>st</sup> Nov** - Farm Trip – Juniors
- 26<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Arlington Court Trip
- 28<sup>th</sup> Nov** - Vision Screening – Reception
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Christmas Play – High Bray 2.00pm & 6.00pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec** - Rock Steady Concert – Village Hall 2.45pm
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dec** - **LAST DAY OF TERM**

These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes.

### SCHOOL TERM DATES 2024-2025

| <b>AUTUMN TERM</b>                                                   | <b>SPRING TERM</b>                                                    | <b>SUMMER TERM</b>                                               |
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| <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>5 <sup>th</sup> September 2024                   | <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025                      | <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025                  |
| <b>HALF TERM</b><br>28 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024 | <b>HALF TERM</b><br>17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025 | <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b><br>5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025                  |
| <b>LAST DAY</b><br>20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024                    | <b>LAST DAY</b><br>4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025                         | <b>HALF TERM</b><br>26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 |
|                                                                      |                                                                       | <b>NON PUPIL DAY</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025                |
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**YMCA - SOUTH MOLTON**

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**EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
(Term times)

4pm - 5.15pm

Suitable for 2 - 11yrs old



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Email: [olivia@cookstars.co.uk](mailto:olivia@cookstars.co.uk)

Book: <https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/419>

Ofsted  
**CHRISTMAS  
ACTIVITY DAYS**

**DATES:**  
- MONDAY 23RD DECEMBER  
- THURSDAY 2ND JANUARY  
- FRIDAY 3RD JANUARY

 Primary Sports and Education North Devon

**VENUE- STICKLEPATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY ACADEMY**

8.30AM-3.30PM  
ONLY £20  
A DAY

5-11  
YEAR OLDS

  
**PRIMARY**  
SPORTS & EDUCATION

HEAD TO OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK!

For More Information, contact us :  
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 07531530131

Was your child born between  
1st September 2020 and  
31st August 2021?

## How to Apply for a Primary School Place in Devon

You can apply online at

[www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)

from 15th November 2024 to the 15th January 2025

If you cannot access the school  
admissions website you can get  
more information by calling our  
Education Helpline on

**0345 155 1019**

or email: [admissions@devon.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@devon.gov.uk)



Even if you have already given details  
to a primary school, you must apply  
for a place through the Admissions  
Team. This is the only way to apply;  
other forms or lists held by schools  
will not count.

Devon  
County Council 