



7<sup>th</sup> November 2025

# BRAYFORD ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## LIFE, LOVE AND LEARNING TO THE FULL

### Dates and key information

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Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Autumn 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.

#### School Meals:

W/C Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November - [Blue](#)

Juniors = £2.58

Infants = Free

Brumbles = £2.00

### Key Dates

- Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue - Weds 12<sup>th</sup> Nov
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- Parents Evening – Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Nov
- Xmas concert dress rehearsal – Weds 10<sup>th</sup> Dec
- Xmas concert – Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Dec
- Christmas Fayre – Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Dec
- School xmas dinner - Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

### Clubs

**Mondays**- Construction Club KS1&2

**Wednesdays**- A Book & A Biscuit Club  
KS1&2

**Clubs run from 3:30-4:15pm**

**Please sign up on Arbor for the new term!**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our families and I hope you had a lovely half term break.

Just before the holiday the junior class entered a poetry competition. The children's entries were all wonderful and some of them are even going to be published in a book! Well done to the juniors!

Thank you to the families that joined us for our Visioning Day. We spent the day thinking about our school and its motto - 'Nurturing Young Minds for a Bright Future'. We looked at our four school drivers - Building Community, Building Positive Wellbeing & Self Esteem, Building Futures and Building Learning Powers. We gathered some wonderful ideas and thoughts from the children focussed around these areas. The children made comments such as -

'Our school feels like a family'

'We tell the teachers if we are feeling sad'

'We get to play with children of all ages'

'We go on so many trips!'

'We have visitors like the police and guide dogs'.

'Our teachers want us to have a happy life'.

It really was a special day and a reminder of what a wonderful community we have at our school.

On Thursday the infant class visited Scribbleton. The children had a wonderful morning exploring all different types of role play. Thank you to Mr Balding for driving the minibus and Mrs Joselin and Leah for accompanying the children.

Next week we are looking forward to parents evening on Thursday. Please ensure that you sign up for an appointment on Arbor.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Sara Leggott  
Head of School

## Why does Attendance Matter?

- **Every day counts** – Missing lessons can quickly add up and lead to gaps in learning.
- **Builds friendships** – Being in school helps children stay connected and maintain strong social bonds.
- **Supports progress** – Regular attendance is key to steady academic improvement.
- **Promotes routine** – A consistent routine helps pupils feel secure and ready to learn.
- **Develops responsibility** – Good attendance habits set the foundation for future success in school and beyond.

JUNIORS- 92.06%

INFANTS- 98.99%

BRUMBLES: 100%



## Certificate of Achievement

### Juniors

River- For having such a good learning attitude!

Oliver- For having resilience!

### Infants

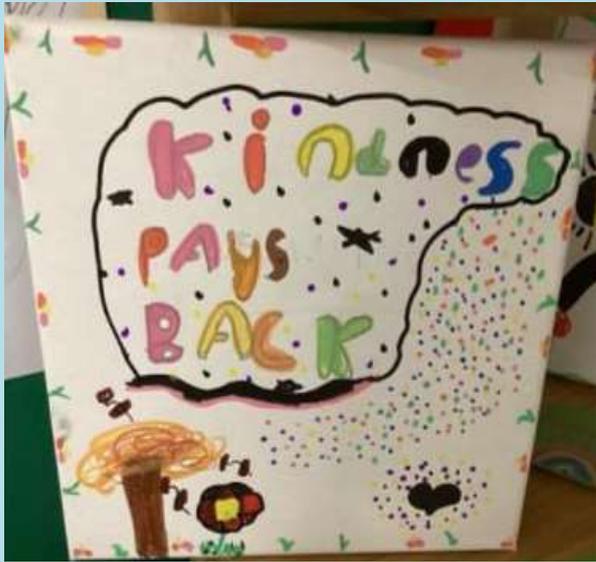
Eva – For amazing effort with your writing!

Africa – For amazing effort with your reading!

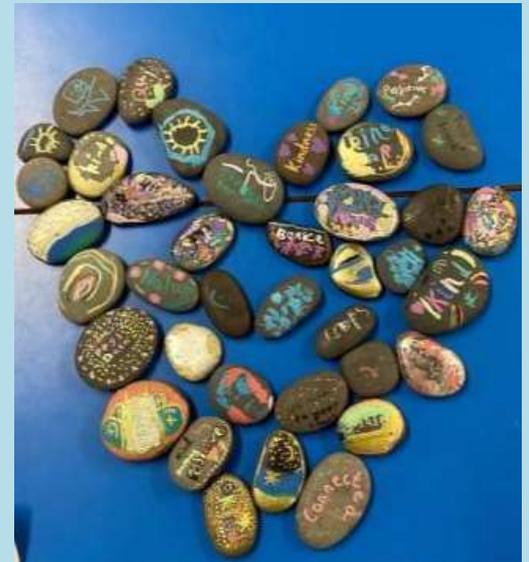
### Brumbles

Everyone- For settling back in so well!

# Brayford Academy's Visioning Day!



Visioning Day was an awesome chance for everyone in our school to come together and talk about our future. Students, teachers, and staff shared ideas about what makes our school special and how we can make it even better.



By the end of the day, they were more connected and excited about what's ahead. Visioning Day showed that when we work together, we can build an even stronger and more inspiring school.



They worked in groups, played fun activities, and shared lots of creative ideas. Everyone's voice mattered, and it was great to see how different thoughts came together to shape one big vision for our school.



# The Infant's trip to Scribbleton!



I enjoyed the tunnel in the jail and the fire engine!



I looked after my friends in the hospital!



My favourite was the police station, the fire engine, the vet's and the shop. I loved it all!!!



I loved playing in the vet's!

## **Breakfast Club**

Start the day the right way! Our Breakfast Club runs every weekday morning (when needed) from 7:45am to 8:45am, and it's open to all children!



For just £4.00 per child, your little one can enjoy a warm welcome, a tasty breakfast, and a fun, relaxed start to the school day.



Top tip: If your child would like to have breakfast, please make sure they arrive before 8:15am - we don't want them to miss out on the good stuff!



Did you know? If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium, there's support available to help with the cost. Just speak to Molly or Miss Leggott- we're here to help!

### **Meet the Magic Behind the Mornings!**

Breakfast Club is run by our amazing Leah who brings warmth, energy, and a big smile to every session! With a heart full of care and a sprinkle of fun, Leah makes every child feel welcome, safe, and ready to start the day with confidence. Whether it's sharing a laugh, playing a game, or just having a friendly chat over toast - your child is in great hands.

**We can't wait to see you bright and early!**

# Menu w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> November

## MONDAY

### **Teams All Day Breakfast**

V: Teams All Day Vegetarian Breakfast

Potato Waffles, Beans, Peas, Tomato & Mushrooms

Sorbet

## TUESDAY

### **Beef Pasta Bolognese**

V: Quorn Pasta Bolognese

Garlic Bread & Salad Sticks

Fruit Jelly

**Also available everyday:  
Jacket potato with Tuna,  
Cheese or Beans  
Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit**

## WEDNESDAY

### **Roast of The Day**

V: Quorn Fillet

Roast Potatoes & Veg

Apple Cake

**Cost of School Lunches:  
Juniors - £2.58 per meal  
Infants- Free  
Brumbles- £2.00**

## THURSDAY

### **Chicken Supreme**

V: Mac & Cheese

Rice & Salad

Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Custard

## FRIDAY

### **Fish Fingers**

V: Cheese & Bean Wraps

Golden Fries & Veg

Chocolate Cracknell



# TEAM Multi-Academy Trust Vacancies



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We currently have 3 vacancies available at Team Multi-Academy Trust:

## Trustee with Financial Expertise

EDV/2025/TMT/20736

Team Multi-Academy Trust

TEAM Multi Academy Trust are seeking a Trustee with Financial Expertise - Help Shape the Future of Education in North Devon

📍 Abbey Road, Barnstaple, Devon, EX31 1JU

🕒 Permanent | Part-Time

£ Voluntary

55 Days Remaining • Apply by Midday, Wednesday 31st Dec, 2025

## Meal Time Assistant

EDV/2025/UPA/07058

Umberleigh Primary Academy

The appointed person will work as part of a team of Meal Time Assistants managed by the Head of School. In-service training will be provided where appropriate.

📍 Dorridge Hill, Umberleigh, Devon, EX37 9AD

🕒 Permanent | Part-Time

£12.26 Hourly

HOURS PER WEEK: 3 (12PM - 1PM TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY EACH DAY) | Grade A | 38 weeks | Term time only

Expiring Tomorrow • Apply by Midday, Friday 7th Nov, 2025 • Job start: ASAP



Apply Now

## Cleaner

EDV/2025/PIA/03798

Pilton Infants' Academy

The appointed person/s will be managed by the Premises Manager and Head of School. In service training will be provided where appropriate.

📍 Abbey Road, Barnstaple, Devon, EX31 1JU

🕒 Permanent | Part-Time

£12.65 Hourly

Grade A | 10HPW (2 HOURS PER DAY TO BE WORKED AFTERNOON/ EVENINGS) | 41 WEEKS

Expiring Tomorrow • Apply by Midday, Friday 7th Nov, 2025 • Job start: ASAP



Apply Now



- 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 12.00pm. 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.

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