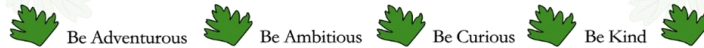


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Dear Families,

I have very much enjoyed teaching in Oak and Cherry Tree classes this week and seeing how the children are increasing in confidence and making progress in all areas. If your child was in school last week you will receive a preview of your child's photograph today which we hope you are pleased with—what photographic children we have at Badbury Park! You can order online with free delivery to school up until **3rd December** and items ordered will be delivered to school on 8th December.

As you may have seen in the news, positive Covid cases in primary schools have been rising over the last few weeks and we have not been immune. We are continuing with increased hand washing, good ventilation, Year group bubbles and mask wearing in communal areas (staff). Thank you for your cooperation in looking out for any symptoms and keeping your child at home and arranging a PCR test where necessary.

The link to consent to your child's nasal flu vaccination <https://schoolimms.virgincare.co.uk/flu/2021/swindon> closes at **midnight on Monday 22nd November**. Even if you do not want your child to receive this vaccination, please complete the consent form stating "decline". On this link you will also find answers to your FAQ's and links to the current Public Health England and manufacturers leaflets.



Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Dance



Nursery : This week, Apple Tree Class have been taking part in World Nursery Rhyme Week. We have explored lots of activities based on our favourite rhymes including Incy Wincy Spider. The children have loved using their fine motor skills threading spider webs and carefully counting spiders.

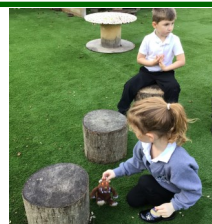


On Thursday, Miss Coley brought in Daisy the Giant African Land Snail to visit us. Apple Tree showed their curiosity and kindness in caring for her and handling her carefully.



Reception

Reception have been learning positional language in maths and used the characters from the Gruffalo to support with their learning, placing the characters in different positions and saying where they are. We learnt about Diwali as part of our celebrations and made our own salt dough diva lamps and decorated these using paint. We have enjoyed having the puppet theatre outside this week, meeting lots of different characters and performing to our friends in the audience.



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Year 1 :



Year 1 children became scientists last week using their scientific knowledge to carry out a 'poo' investigation to work out which poo came from what animal.

They also learnt about an artist called Jackson Pollock and then did some Jackson Pollock style art using paint in bottles on string. It was lovely to share some pictures of our celebrations and talk about our own celebrations and how others celebrate.



Year 2

This week in Year 2 we have been thinking about kindness because it is anti-bullying week. We all know what bullying is now and what we have to do if we see it happening. We watched a video all about kindness and discovered that kindness is like a boomerang- if you throw kindness out into the world it will find its way back to you. We all decided to leave a kindness picture for people outside on the playground and discussed that the easiest way to be kind is to smile at someone! We have all agreed to take what we have learned this week with us into the rest of the year.



Christmas Card Project

Thank you to everyone who ordered cards, mugs, magnets and placemats—your orders have raised £86.50 for the school. All items will be given out early next week. We are sure you will be thrilled with them!



BBC Children in Need - Friday 19th November

All the children (and staff!) looked amazing today in their pyjamas and fancy dress: they joined in with a Joe Wickes work out to get the day started and have been listening to stories in the library.

Thank you for all your donations today—we have raised £196 so far. If you would still like to donate to the appeal please **make your donation online via this ParentPay link:** <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=4285>



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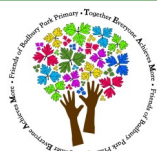


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News from Friends of Badbury Park Primary School

- **Children In Need Raffle and Anti bullying Week Cake Bake:** Thank you to everyone who made or bought cakes and raffle tickets today. We will give you an update in the next newsletter of how much we have raised.
- **School uniform donations:** we are still collecting school uniform for our stall at the Christmas Fair. Donations to the school office please.



Parent Governor appointment

We are very pleased to announce that Claire Snook has been appointed as a Parent Governor and we welcome her to the governing board. Claire has a daughter in Year 1, a background in science and business and is very keen to support the school as it grows and bring a parent perspective to the board.



Fortnite

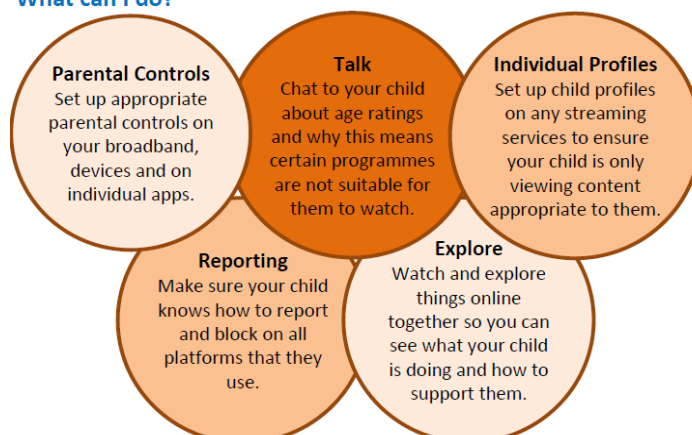
Is your child playing Fortnite? We have heard one or two children talking about this in school so before your child plays Fortnite for the first time or goes back online we would recommend that you take time to learn more about the game.

The game is rated for aged 12 which means it is not recommended for any child at primary school. Apart from the mild violence, the game is designed for online chat with other players and is highly addictive. Addictive games often lead to tiredness, extreme behaviour and a lack of interest in other things. Young children simply should not be playing this game. Gaming is good fun but needs to be appropriate and carefully monitored. Please take a moment to look at the guidance and information below:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/parents-guide-fortnite-battle-royale>

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/fortnite-battle-royale-parents-guide/>

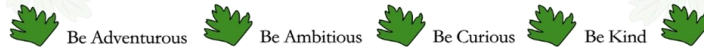
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Town Gardens will be lit up with a brand-new illuminated trail running throughout December. State-of-the-art lighting effects will allow visitors to wander through a magical backdrop of illuminated trees, a trail of remarkable light art sculptures, low level soundscapes, interactive illuminations and a specially commissioned light show set in the historic Bowl. Brighter Futures will receive £1 from every ticket sold. Follow this link to book :<https://www.skiddle.com/g/enchantedgardens>



Join our festivities at our first ever
**Christmas Holiday Club at
BROOK FIELD PRIMARY
SCHOOL**
20th to 22nd December

A wide variety of sports and activities on offer including, Football, basketball, cricket, table football a nature walk, outdoor gym equipment, 2 play areas, and much more.....



For an application form and price list please email - swindonmultisports@Hotmail.com

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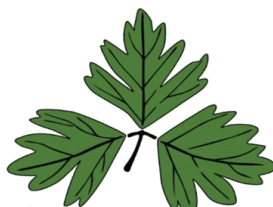
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School Diary

September 2021

1st, 2nd, 3rd: Teacher training days (no school for pupils)

6th : All Year 1 and Year 2 pupils return. New Reception children start. Group A in from 10.00-12.00 and Group B in 13.00-15.00

13th : New nursery pupils start. All Reception children now in full time

13th—17th : School visits for parents

17th—Book fair in school.

October 2021

5th: At 5pm Year 2 Parent meetings to introduce curriculum/year group expectations

7th & 14th : Tours for prospective parents

11th: Mental health week

15th: Open house 11.00 (nursery) or 2.30pm—parents are welcome in to their child's class to view books and displays

18th & 19th : Parent/Teacher consultation meetings

20th : break up for half term

21st—29th : half term holiday

November 2021

1st : Start of term 2

12th : Individual photos

15th Anti-bullying week—wear odd socks to school

19th: Children in Need

30th: Nasal Flu Clinic in school

December 2021

4th : Christmas fayre

9th: Christmas lunch followed by a winter walk to Coate Water with parents

10th: Christmas Jumper day

14th: Nativity to parents (morning)

15th Nativity to parents (afternoon)

16th: Visit from Father Christmas & Christmas parties

17th—3rd January : Christmas holidays

Teacher Training Days 2021/2022

📅 Tuesday 4th January 2022

📅 Wednesday 5th January 2022

📅 Friday 1st July 2022

📅 Monday 25th July 2022