





# **Broadbent Fold Primary School and Nursery**

## Headteacher's Newsletter

## **July 2023**

#### WHAT LEARNING HAS BEEN HAPPENING THIS HALF TERM?

At Broadbent Fold we continue to provide a rich and broad curriculum, which meets the needs of all our

pupils and gets them prepared for their future. This half term we have:

**EYFS** – Our pupils have done lots of learning about the sea and had a brilliant time with the rock pool visit.

**Year 1** – The children in year 1 have been learning about toys from past and present. They know their history and have created their own toys. These were superb.

**Year 2** – The children this half term have been doing lots of science and learning on how we save our oceans. They visited Formby beach and looked for different habitats.

Year 3 – Pupils have been learning all about the Ancient Greeks and created the yummiest salads.

History and food technology!

Year 4 – Have been learning about Egypt and writing using hieroglyphics. They loved this and the writing looked so real.
Year 5 – Our pupils have been reading the book Trash and they have even had a video sent from a presenter on Sky TV. These pupils have been truly inspired this year with the books they have read.

Year 6 – Too much to write on here...oh yes it is...Our year 6s produced an hilarious performance in panto style. They visited the Anderton Centre and had a wet and wild time. These year 6s have been a credit to the school. I am personally going to miss them dearly and I wish them so much luck for high school. You are superstars!

What an excellent year they have all had and I am very proud of each and every pupil.



### TRANSITION AND RAYNER STEPHENS



Year 5's Taster Day at Rayner Stephens today was fantastic and certainly a day to remember! From using the Bunsen burners in the Science Lab, to using the vices and coping saws in Design & Technology, the children had a brilliant day! They also enjoyed using frogs and counters in Maths to work out Quadratic Equations, whilst in Drama they put their listening skills and team work to the test. Great fun was had by all! Thank you to all the teachers and pupils involved at Rayner Stephens for organising a superb day.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

As a school we aim for 98% attendance, which is above the national average each year. Please look at your child's attendance certificate on Arbor, as this will show you their percentage. Term-time holidays are not authorised. Fines are currently being issued for unauthorised absences and letters sent home to remind families about the importance of attendance. Children who are as low as 90%, will be invited in for an attendance review on how we can improve this. If you feel you need support, please contact school.







#### **CURRICULUM**

'Leaders have developed an ambitious curriculum. This helps pupils, including those with SEND, to acquire and develop the knowledge that they need to succeed.' Ofsted 2023

Reading Ambassador celebrations – This term we joined many



Tameside schools to celebrate our Reading Ambassadors. They have done an outstanding job



see what they do next year. Well done leaders of the future. Walk to school – We are ranked 2nd in engagement in active travel in Tameside! Well done everyone for all your hard work and keep it up walking to school! Good for your health and good for the environment.

#### **SUMMER FAIR AND 50S CELEBRATIONS**

Happy 50th birthday to Broadbent Fold. We have had a term of celebrations and memories. Our assembly was well attended and you can see the pictures in the Reporter Newspaper.

**Summer Fair –** Thank you everyone for our brilliant 70s themed summer fair. We raised over £1,700 and we are using this to help our pupils in the curriculum.

**50**<sup>th</sup> and **1970s fun** – The staff and pupils looked groovy and we sang songs from the 70s and compared the style.



#### **SPORT AT BROADBENT FOLD50**

Football Tournaments - Our Year 4 and 5 girls football team had their very first matches in a friendly tournament against St Mary's Catholic Primary School. There was some great goal keeping, defending and passing skills.



**Cheerleading Competition –** Some of our KS2 children took part in a cheerleading competition and they came 6th out of 12 schools! They did a great job cheering on all the



other schools too and even made signs. Well done everyone.

Sprinter – This term we celebrated Sports Week with Team GB sprinter Andy

Robertson. He congratulated our children and we watched him race – it was very exciting.

### **UPDATES AND THANK YOU!**

**Volunteers:** Thank you to our volunteers from Findel Education, who joined us to improve our school grounds. This was truly appreciated, and we now have vegetable patches. Thank you to all our volunteers who read, do toast and support us daily – we couldn't do it without you too.

Thank you to the brilliant staff who have worked tremendously hard this year, got good at Ofsted and they continue to make BBF a superb school.

We shall see you all on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 – have a safe and happy summer.