

Broadbent Fold Primary School and Nursery

Headteacher's Newsletter

May 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 been learning all about minibeasts and they have caterpillars in their classrooms ready to transform. Pupils have also been taking part in Little Bikers and they are super-fast.

Year 1 – The children in year 1 have been doing about hot and cold places. Part of their science they visited Eureka and had the best learning day.



Year 2 – The children this half term have not stopped! As well as doing the many year 2 assessments, they have been learning to survive in the woods. They have been den making and cooking outdoors. What vital skills they will have.

Year 3 – Pupils have been learning all about Word War 2 and they visited Stockport Air Raid shelter to get a real feel about how people survived during the raids. Pupils said it was 'awesome'.

Year 4 – Have been finding out about eco-systems around rivers.

They visited Park Bridge and looked at habitats.

Year 5 – Our pupils have created the most amazing islands based on Kensuke Kingdom. The pupils and the staff love this text.

Year 6 – **Congratulations** to our brilliant year 6 pupils who have completed their SATs. No matter what the outcome, they have been outstanding and attending morning and afternoon booster sessions. Year 7 will be a breeze for these pupils. They are a credit to the school.

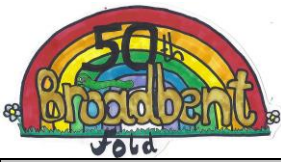


50 YEARS OF BROADBENT FOLD.

On 25th June 1973 Broadbent Fold opened its doors to the Dukinfield community. To celebrate this momentous occasion, we have organised many events in school. These include:

- A special tea party and games from over the decades.
- All children will receive a special 50 year book mark from our governors and staff.
- Children will be learning songs from the 1970s, some of these will be shared on Seesaw with you.
- A time capsule will be buried with 2023 memories. Next to this we are planting a special blossom tree with a commemorative plaque.
- Pupil Leaders developed a 50th birthday logo competition – this will be displayed around school, on our website and on letterheads. The winner is Ruby Hatton. Well done Ruby. We had over 90 entries and everyone could have been a winner.





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.

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

Outdoor Learning Day – We love learning outdoors, but this day we ensured we looked at pollution and endangered species. Children value their environment at Broadbent Fold and pupils are looking after their future planet. Our Eco-leaders continue to litter pick in the community and are building a vegetable patch. We cannot wait to grow our own food.

Coronation – We have a magnificent celebration and 'ate like Kings' at our tea party. Pupils learned about the historical significance of a coronation and discussed Britain in the future.

Poet – Our favourite poet Matt Goodfellow joined us in school for a day of poetry. He made us laugh and showed us how poetry can help with our emotions.

PTFA EVENTS AND SUMMER FAIR

We continue to raise much needed money for various projects in school. You have already helped us improve our Key Stage One books and now we are looking at improving our Key Stage Two Reading books and the library equipment. Our Comedy Night was so much fun and raised £700. Our Easter Trail was muddy but brilliant and raised £700. On Thursday 6th July our summer fair will take place at 3.30pm. Please come along for a groovy time.

Thank you everyone for supporting our fund raising, which is having a great impact on pupil's learning.

SPORT AT BROADBENT FOLD50



Football Tournament - Broadbent Fold girls and boys continue to make it to the top of the tournaments. Look on our school blog for details.

Bowling Competition – Our year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a Tameside competition. They worked so well as a team and we have Daniel Swift come in third place overall. Well done!

Cricket Competition – Our year 5/6 team came 3rd place and won us another trophy. Two years running we have been top 3!

City in the Community – This brilliant weekly programme takes place with nursery and reception. It is developing their physical and motor skills.

Other Events – We continue to complete our daily mile and we have worked on our fitness levels with Freddie Fit. We really don't stop at Broadbent Fold.

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.

Communication with school – Our school website, Arbor e-mail and Seesaw all share updates.

Dates for your diary: **Monday 26th June 9am** is a special assembly for past pupils/staff to join us and share their memories and photos. If you know of an adult who has been part of the past 50 years and would like to attend, then please e-mail us and we can arrange this. Drinks and biscuits will be available after the assembly, for everyone to come together.

Thursday 6th July 1970s themed dress-up day. There will be another letter regarding this with lots of ideas.

We shall see you all on Monday 12th June 2023 – enjoy a lovely break.

