



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Autumn Term 2. I hope you and your family enjoyed half term and you feel ready for a busy term ahead. Either side of half term we had two staff training days in school. Amongst other things, staff received training on the importance of *belonging*, circle time, phonics and reading. We also spent time improving our classroom environments and outdoor spaces.

Please find attached our first Sports Newsletter of the year. As always, if your child has any sporting achievements outside of school that you would like to be included, please email these to the office for the attention of Mr Cheetham.

The importance of play

Last half-term I shared our School Improvement Plan priorities for the year ahead and explained how these were identified. A key priority is to improve playtimes to ensure they are safe and enjoyable for all. I am pleased to say that we have recently signed up to the OPAL Primary Programme who will be working with us across the next two years to achieve this aim. Far more information will follow on this over the coming weeks and months.

In the meantime, OPAL are hosting a short webinar for parents on the power of play, including sharing some top tips for play at home. Find out more and book your free place here: <https://bit.ly/4fgpQKK>

Storage Containers?

Part of the OPAL programme will require the storage of various pieces of equipment. We are currently exploring options for this, including repurposed second-hand shipping containers. If any parents have links to companies who may have something that could be used, please contact Mrs Cooper in the school office. Thank you.

Music in the City

On Wednesday this week the children were treated to a 'Music in the City' assembly. As part of this the children were introduced to a range of musical instruments including the cello, saxophone and flute. The university students delivering the performance spoke about their journey learning to play the instruments and talked about what makes those instruments unique. We enjoyed some beautiful pieces of music and the children listened brilliantly throughout.





Music Performance Assemblies

Following on from the 'Music in the City' event, the children will be treated to four more musical performances in November and early December, but this time from our home-grown musicians and singers! If your child is taking part, we very much hope you can join us. If any of these performances have inspired your child to learn an instrument, please get in touch with the school office.

KS1 Infants Christmas Project - FOBPS

The children in KS1 have been busy recently creating their Christmas artwork which can be turned into gifts and cards produced by Arts Projects For School. Any money raised will go to FOBPS which in turn will support the children of Bradway. Your child's artwork should have been sent home with a unique QR code and leaflet explaining the process – please look out for this. We hope you enjoy viewing the work and might consider buying a gift or card. Thank you from FOBPS for your support.

Fundraising

Mindful of the challenges around the cost of living, we are eager to ensure we strike an appropriate balance when raising funds for the school as well as for national and local causes. For this reason, we will not be recognising Children in Need next Friday, but have instead decided to support Sheffield Children's Hospital as our local charity and Red Nose Day as our national cause.

This year, we are sponsoring a snowflake at The Sheffield Children's Hospital and we hope many of you will be able to see it lit up over the Christmas period. Fundraising for this will take place next year.



Mr Chris Thomas
Headteacher





Autumn Term 2 Remaining events this term	
Tuesday 12 th November Y4 Parents invited	Year 4 Roman Day Parents are invited to come in at 3pm to watch our Y4 children perform a gladiator dance.
Friday 22 nd November FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Non-Uniform Day On 22 nd November we are having a non-uniform day ahead of the Christmas Fair on the 7 th December. Children may come in non-uniform in exchange for jolly jars (infants) or a festive raffle item (juniors).
Saturday 7 th December 11:30 – 2:30pm FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6 Parents invited	FOBPS Christmas Fair Please join us with friends and family for our annual Christmas fair.
Wb Monday 9 th December Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	Autumn term assessment and attendance letters sent home
Tuesday 10 th December 1:45pm Y2 Parents invited	Year 2 Nativity
Tuesday 10 th December FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6	School trip to see Snow White at the Sheffield Lyceum Theatre For those children who have bought tickets, more information will follow on drop off and pick up arrangements.
Friday 13 th December 2:45 – 3:15pm Y1 Parents invited	Year 1 Christmas Sing Song Please join us in the hall for a festival sing song.
Tuesday 17 th December 2:30 – 3:00pm FS2 Parents invited	FS2 Christmas Sing Song Please join us in the hall for a festival sing song.

You can subscribe to this calendar by scanning the QR code or following the link below.

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