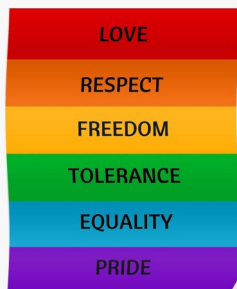
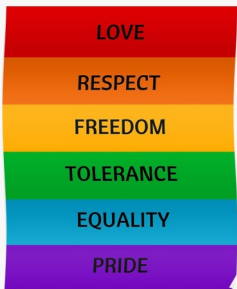


Broxbourne CE Primary School Newsletter



Summer Term Issue 9

27th June 2025



HEADTEACHER UPDATE

We are delighted to share some of the many wonderful things that have taken place in our school this week.

Firstly, a huge well done to our Year 5 children who have just returned from a fantastic residential at Burwell. Staff reported that the children were a delight to be with and great fun throughout the trip. Their enthusiasm, behaviour, and teamwork were excellent. Thank you to Mrs Laing, Mrs Wood and Mrs Cartwright who accompanied them and looked after them so well. Year 5, you have been true ambassadors for our school – we are very proud of you.

Congratulations also go to Year 2 for their excellent Class Assembly today. It was a joy to watch and brought smiles to many faces. Every child played an important part and entertained us with confidence and creativity. Highlights included the continent song, the Henry Moore inspired green screen sculptures and other artist inspired artwork, the children's geographical knowledge throughout and the persuasive pleas from jumpers and Pritt sticks for better treatment from Year 2! Very well done to you all – a superb assembly!

Next week, we wish our District Sports team the very best of luck as they represent our school on Wednesday. They have shown great commitment by attending weekly practise sessions, and we are hopeful for speedy legs and smooth baton changes on the day. Chapeau and go Team Broxbourne!

Finally, a reminder that our PTA Summer Fair takes place tomorrow. We would like to thank all who have given their time, energy, and talents to help prepare this special event. These events raise vital funds that directly benefit our school for our children. The weather forecast looks promising, and we hope to see many of you there to enjoy the fun and support our school community. The Fair is from 1:00-4:00pm and we look forward to another great event. Our choir perform at 1:40pm for our own mini-Glastonbury!!!



Wishing you a happy and restful weekend and thank you in advance for your support tomorrow!

Best wishes Paul Miller

Dream, Believe and Achieve with God



MUSICAL CONCERT
Thursday, 3rd July at 1.30pm



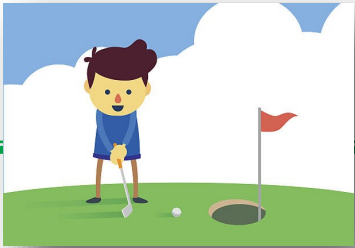
YEAR 4
Class Assembly
Friday, 4th July at 10am

YEAR 6
First Aid
Thursday, 3rd July. Kindly donated by the PTA.



KINGFISHER COUNCIL
GOLF PUTTING CHALLENGE!

Tuesday, 1st and Wednesday, 2nd July
£1 per child per entry, all proceeds to HABS Family Support





BTA HOLIDAY CAMPS 2023

Explorers, Net Wars, Water Games, Themed Days, Multi - Sports, Tennis Activities, Indoor Activities, Arts & Crafts

SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFO OR TO BOOK ON

BROXBOURNE SPORTS CLUB
Mill Lane Close, EN10 7BA

EVERY MON - THURS

9am - 4pm
Early Drop-Off available

AGE 4 - 14yrs

TO BOOK ON OR FOR MORE INFO VISIT:
www.btatenniscoaching.com/camps



BROXBOURNE SPORTS CLUB | **BTA TENNIS COACHING**

DATES:
WEEK 1: 21st July - 24th July
WEEK 2: 28th July - 31st July
WEEK 3: 4th August - 7th August
WEEK 4: 11th August - 14th August
WEEK 5: 18th August - 21st August

HALF DAY: 9am - 12:30pm
FULL DAY: 9am - 4pm
EARLY DROP-OFF: 8:30am

PRICES:
HALF DAY: £25
FULL DAY: £35
SIBLING DISCOUNTS & 4 DAY DEALS AVAILABLE

COACHES & VENUE
✓ First Aid Trained ✓ LTA Qualified
✓ DBS Checked ✓ No Public Access

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St. Augustine's Church

S U M M E R

FAIR

Saturday 12th July

11.00am - 4.00pm

St. Augustine's Church and Parish Centre,
Churchfields, Broxbourne

Live Music
(incl. performances from Broxbourne Primary School and Wormley Primary School Choirs),

**Lunches, Raffle, Cream Teas,
Children's Activities and Crafts,
Stalls including; Bric-a-Brac, Plants,
Gifts, Bath & Beauty, Cake stall
plus many more**

Fundraising for the planned Church roof repairs
Please come and support us



Water Creations WATER ACADEMY

OFFER VALID UNTIL 30TH JUNE

10% EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT

FROM £44.55 PER DAY
(BT BOOKING 3 DAYS)

9AM-4PM STANDARD

8:30AM-5:30PM EXTENDED

LIMITED SPACES!

SUMMER CAMP

St Edmund's College and Prep School

AGES 5-12

AUGUST DATES

- W/C 4TH
- W/C 11TH
- W/C 18TH
- W/C 25TH

Outdoor Adventures

ROUNDERS

NATURE WALKS

AND MORE!

Fun Sports

DAILY SWIMMING

FOOTBALL

GYMNASTICS

Arts and Crafts

PAINTING

FANCY DRESS

CRAFTS

SIBLING AND BLOCK BOOKING DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE. NO CODE REQUIRED!

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Email Us info@wcsacademy.co.uk Call Us 020 8016 4222

HOLIDAY CAMPS

Where every day is a new adventure!

Calling all curious, energetic and creative young explorers! This summer, give your child more than just childcare, give them an experience they'll never forget.

REGISTER NOW!

What do we offer?

- Swimming lessons with qualified instructors
- Exciting sports and team games
- Creative challenges and themed dress-up days
- Friendship-building activities and outdoor fun
- Led by qualified Primary School Teachers

Your summer plans? **Just got a whole lot better.**

CAMP Monday - Friday August 2025 **SAVE THE DATE**

www.wcsacademy.co.uk info@wcsacademy.co.uk

Our Mission

At our camps, our mission is to provide children with unforgettable experiences filled with discovery and adventure where they can learn new skills, make friends, and build lifelong memories - all while having serious fun!

Call And Find Us

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@wcsacademyuk

Water Creations WATER ACADEMY

Google Reviews

SWIMMING LESSONS

St Edmund's

Onsite Cafe!

WHY CHOOSE US?

- ✓ Baby and Child Swimming Lessons
- ✓ Swim England Stages 1 - 7
- ✓ Weekend Availability
- ✓ Club Development Programme
- ✓ Small Class Sizes
- ✓ Qualified & Friendly Team
- ✓ Easy Monthly Payments
- ✓ Warm Pools

WEEKLY CLASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturdays | 9 AM - 11 AM |
| Sundays | 9 AM - 11:30 AM |

A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT, WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL TEAM THAT CARE AND INSPIRE PROGRESS.

SECURE YOUR PLACE TODAY!

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Funded by UK Government

WALTHAM CROSS SPORTS FESTIVAL

Saturday 19 July 11am to 5pm
Waltham Cross Playing Fields, EN8 7LU

Join us for a vibrant, free community event celebrating the incredible sporting opportunities available to all ages in Waltham Cross. Enjoy a day full of exciting activities, all at no cost.
Don't miss out – be part of the fun!

All Activities are free*

If you are interested in a particular activity please let us know by emailing community@broxbourne.gov.uk or simply turn up and enjoy!

All Activities are free*

Activities include:

- OUTDOOR GYM**
 - Boxing Coaches Session
 - Calisthenics Induction Session
 - Women and Girls Fitness Session
- MULTIUSE GAMES AREA**
 - Primary School Basketball Session
 - Basketball Exhibition Match
 - Skills and Free Throw Sessions
- SKATEPARK**
 - Free Skateboarding Induction sessions for adults and children, competitions and demonstrations.
- ON THE FIELDS**
 - Football Tournaments run by GT United
 - Sports taster sessions run by local clubs
 - Local providers and organisations offering services to the community
 - Delicious food options
 - Free Bouncy Castles and Face Painting for Children

*While we encourage booking in advance via email to secure your spot on activities that you want to do, feel free to drop by and by the way of the various sports on offer throughout the day.

If you are interested in a particular activity please let us know by emailing community@broxbourne.gov.uk or simply turn up and enjoy!

Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service
 Working to protect. Acting to save.
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/fire

Hoddesdon Fire Station

Open Day

Date : Saturday 5th July
 Time : 10am - 3pm

- Look around a Fire Engine.
- Meet our Fire Investigation Dog.
- Receive Safety Advice.
- Watch a Fire Demonstration.
- Stalls, Food and Entertainment.

Event activities or attendees may change. Please visit our website for more information or contact your local Fire Station.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about NINTENDO SWITCH 2

Nintendo launched its Switch 2 games console in early June 2025 – its first new console in eight years. While it builds on the original's success by remaining compatible with certain existing games, it also adds powerful hardware and new features like GameChat and a USB-C camera. As more children look to upgrade, it's important to understand how this new console might affect their play and safety.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EASIER TO ACCESS MATURE CONTENT



Despite Nintendo's reputation for family-friendly titles, mature games like Cyberpunk 2077 and Hitman have been released onto the platform. With the Switch 2's improved performance, developers will be able to port even more mature-rated games. These may appeal to children due to their popularity, but they contain content that is highly unsuitable for young audiences.

IN-APP & GAME STORE PURCHASES

The Nintendo eShop enables purchases with just a few taps. If payment details are saved and PIN protection is disabled, children may unknowingly make costly purchases – including game add-ons, cosmetic items or entire new releases – without parental approval.

UNRESTRICTED ONLINE PLAY IN SOME GAMES

While GameChat is one feature, Switch 2 also connects to the broader Nintendo Switch Online service. Many free-to-play titles like Fortnite or Splatoon 4 allow voice or text chat with strangers unless chat settings are adjusted, meaning children could encounter inappropriate language or unwanted contact.

GAMECHAT & REAL-TIME VOICE COMMUNICATION

GameChat enables live chatting with up to 12 people, even across different games, with optional video and screen-sharing. Though children under 16 are restricted to chatting only with approved friends, the sheer interactivity could raise privacy concerns or create pressure to remain online longer.

CAMERA COMPATIBILITY & PRIVACY CONCERNS

The optional USB-C camera supports video calling and facial overlays in games; however, this also raises the risk of cyberbullying or the unwanted sharing of personal images. The camera can be disabled, removed or covered, and parental controls are essential to manage how and when it is used.

POWERFUL PULL OF FAMILIAR CHARACTERS

Nintendo's mascot, Mario – along with Pikachu, Donkey Kong and others – remains hugely appealing to younger audiences, especially after the success of the recent film, 'The Super Mario Bros. Movie' (2023). These beloved icons are central to Nintendo's branding and often feature in merchandising, adverts and in-game promotions, creating strong emotional attachments in children and a sense of urgency to keep up with their peers.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CHECK RATINGS & USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Every Switch and Switch 2 game comes with a PEGI age rating. Before buying one, ensure the content matches your child's age. Use the Nintendo Parental Controls app to monitor gameplay, set screen-time limits and manage friend requests.

REVIEW FRIEND LISTS AND CHAT PERMISSIONS

Child profiles are restricted to chatting with approved friends only, but it's good practice to regularly check their friend list and communication settings. Use the Parental Controls app to switch off voice or video chat if necessary.

REMOVE OR RESTRICT PAYMENT METHODS

Avoid accidental spending by unlinking credit cards from the device. Instead, consider adding funds via prepaid eShop cards or requiring a PIN for purchases. Some banking apps can also be set to approve transactions manually.

ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Teach children how to block, report and capture any behaviour or content that makes them uncomfortable. The console's built-in tools allow them to create screenshots and video clips, which can aid in reporting any issues. Keeping an open dialogue helps children feel supported and safe.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of Daily Star and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published on sites including IGN, TechRadar, and plenty more.





HOUSE POINT LEADERS

This week's winners are.....

Yellow Foxes



REMINDER: The House that wins the House Cup for the greatest number of weeks each term will enjoy a non-uniform day in the final week of term.

The children should wear an item of clothing in their house colour!

BIRTHDAY BOOK THANK YOU



Marcus—Year 4—Little People, Big Dreams—Ernest Shackleton
& David Attenborough



Ruby—EY1—Amazing Me, Amazing You

REMINDER: Birthday books should be new and age appropriate for the year your child is currently in.

We hope you had a lovely day!

If you wish to donate a birthday book, please send in via your child and we will put in the library for everyone to enjoy. Thank you.