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Dear Parents and carers,

What a pleasure to welcome so many of you to our Sports Day 2024! We persevered despite the showers and a lost gazebo (you may have noticed some of our children worked together to create their own). True Bromesberrow spirit at its best! We were immeasurably proud of the children, who all gave it their very best and were fantastic sports. A big thank you to our lovely staff too, who work so hard to make this a great event and to our families for turning up (brolly in hand) to support us all.



We have a busy couple of weeks coming up, packed full of our annual residential to Oakerwood, a whole school rounders competition and an afternoon focused on art/sketching to name a few. Please follow us on Facebook where we share all the lovely things we get up to.

Primary Quest CEO Newsletter

Please find a copy of this attached to this newsletter, sharing all the recent successes and events taking place across the Trust. The artwork image depicting 'Friendship' was created by our very own Class 2 children.

Attendance

National guidelines on holidays during term time have been tightened. Primary Quest have taken a collective stance to communicate this clearly so that parents are informed (attached). These changes take affect nationally from September 2024. The local authority define expected attendance as:

'We expect pupils to be in school for every session of the school day and for every day that the school is open.'

A warm welcome

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Lauren Lane. Lauren is going to lead our after school care provision and we are very pleased to have her on the team. We are just firming up who will be supporting her in this role and will let you know the full picture of this next week (along with



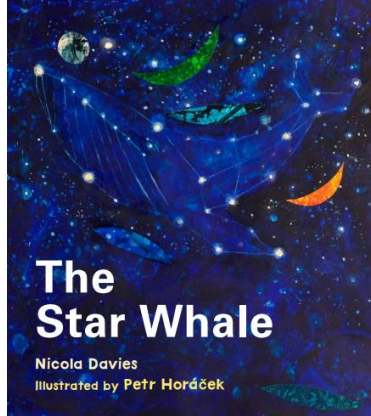
booking forms). Miss Blewitt will be leading our breakfast club in the mornings- again further details to be shared.

Cricket Tournament

Last week, a selection of children, who have shone in their commitment to cricket in school, were chosen to represent our school in a cricket tournament. As usual, their behaviour was impeccable and they played their little socks off! Miss Davies was very proud of them.



Ledbury Poetry Festival



Class 3 children had a wonderful time at Ledbury Poetry Festival, where they experienced a poetry writing workshop with Nicola Davies. Nicola is the author of *The Star Whale*, a collection of poems which explore the natural world with insight and joy. As part of Ledbury Poetry Festival, all children in Class 3 entered their river poems into the Ledbury Young Poet Competition. Two of our pupils were recognised and commended for their poetry, with the opportunity to read their poems aloud at the festival event last weekend. Well done to Henry and Antos!

Whole School Poet visit

We love a bit of poetry at Bromesberrow! Children across the school were treated to a variety of poetry workshops. Poet Debra Bertulis supported the children beautifully to compose, and then share, their own poems. She left us with a signed copy of her book 'The Moon's Gorgonzola' and these are on sale for anyone to buy if your child expresses an interest at all major online bookstores.



Transition Day

We all had a great 'move up' morning this week! All children have enjoyed the experience of being in their new classes. Our new reception 2024 children have settled in really well, having already benefitted from 'stay and play' sessions. Well done to our Y6 children who have had a taster of life in secondary school. We are sure that you conducted yourself beautifully. It has been great to hear about your experiences and enthusiasm in this.

Swimming

Class 3 have been practising and improving their swimming skills, led by Mrs Green, Miss Mison and Wendy (Ledbury swimming pool coach). For some of our children (who were non swimmers) this has been a really big deal and they have made us all proud with their efforts and 'have a go' attitude. All children have made strong progress and have increased in confidence. We are fortunate to have Mrs Green to lead on this as a qualified swimming coach.

We continue to encourage children to maintain swimming lessons whilst they are young to build their skill and water confidence. If you would like any information on swimming lessons outside of school, we can always point you in the right direction.

Ledbury pool have shared the following information:



We have two Stage 2 holiday crash courses taking place on the following dates:

25th + 26th July (Thursday + Friday) 14:15 - 15:00

7th + 8th August (Wednesday + Thursday) 14:15 - 15:00

FREE for all new starters

£9.30 for any previous lessons/crash course attendees

Parents can book via phone (01531 632890) or at the Ledbury reception desk.

Dates for Diary



<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Mon 8 th July	Choir Extravaganza Concert	4.00pm – 5.00pm
Tue 9 th July	Reports out to parents	
Thu 11 th July	Reception 2024 whole day session in school	9.00am – 3.20pm
Thu 11 th July	Yr 5 Taster Day at John Masefield HS	
Fri 12 th – Sun 14 th July	Oakerwood Residential – (Class 3)	
Tue 16 th July	In School Football Tournament	
Fri 19 th July	Last day of Term	
Fri 19 th July	Leavers Service in St Mary's Church	1.30pm – 2pm We would like to invite all families back to school after church until 3pm for a relaxed chat and play.
Tue 3 rd Sept	Children back in school for new academic year	

