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4th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all keeping well. As always, school has been a busy, happy place full of learning, curiosity and creativity. Please find updates and reminders from across the school below.

Curriculum at Bromesberrow

Class 1

Children have been working incredibly hard on their phonics and we are seeing strong progress in reading. Thank you for the support you provide at home-daily practice makes a big difference.

The classroom has also had some changes, including a new extended dough station, created in response to children's interests and developmental needs. The children have loved exploring this during provision time.

Class 2

Class 2 have been learning about the stages of plant development. This topic has been brought to life through drama, sequencing activities, and detailed diagrams. They have also enjoyed investigating seeds and seed dispersal.

Class 3

Class 3 are deep into their study of the Benin Kingdom, exploring its key features and asking important questions such as *why the kingdom had such a powerful army* to protect their people. Their historical thinking is really growing.

Attendance and Punctuality

Our whole-school attendance is *improving from the Autumn term*, and we want to thank families for their support so far. However, we do need to continue working together to ensure children are in school **every day** possible.

Just a reminder of how much learning can be missed:

- In **Class 1**, the children learn a *new sound every day*. Missing a day can make it harder for them to keep up with phonics and reading.
- In **Class 2 or 3**, missing a full week—especially during key learning such as *long multiplication*—means children can find it difficult to catch up.



Punctuality matters too.

- Gates close at **8:50am**
- Registration closes at **9:00am**

Arriving on time helps children feel settled, confident, and ready to learn without missing valuable teaching. Please support us with this-**every day really does count.**

Road Closure

Albright Lane will be closed near the A417 junction from 9th to 13th March. Attached is the letter that we received from the County Council showing an alternative route to school.

A Visit from Bill Church – Storyteller

We were delighted to welcome storyteller **Bill Church** into school. The children were enthralled by stories from *many cultures around the world*. This experience supported our commitment to exploring diversity, difference and the wider world. The joy of storytelling was clear, and the children responded brilliantly.

Sporting Update

- **Netball** has started this week for all classes on Thursday afternoons, and the children are thoroughly enjoying it. We hope to organise some friendly matches soon. Thank you to Charlie and Chloe for running this.
- **Sportily Club** on Fridays (Reception–Y2) has also been a wonderful addition. There are still a few spaces available-please let us know if your child would like to join.

Looking Ahead in Our Vision: “Shining Together, We Reach for the Stars”

We are always looking to enrich our curriculum. We have recently booked a visit from Maths Puzzleman, who will be bringing exciting, hands-on mathematical challenges into school-*watch this space!*

Oakerwood Residential – Last Call (Years 4–6)

If you would like your child to take part in the Oakerwood residential, please ensure that the deposit has been paid through School Money. You will also see on there, the payment plan from the original Oakerwood letter.

PTA Events

- **Valentine’s Disco – Friday 13th February**
A poster and sign-up slip will be sent home.
Cash payments only, please.



World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We invite children to come dressed as their **favourite book character**.

We are also running an **Extreme Reading Competition!**

Please send a photo of your child reading somewhere unusual or creative—examples include:

- up a tree
- in the supermarket
- while kicking a football
- with a favourite pet

Winners will receive a prize.

Our message remains: reading is fun and joyful.

Comic Relief – Friday 20th March

This year marks **40 years** of Comic Relief.

We invite children to:

- bring a **donation for Ledbury Food Bank**, and
- wear a **Red Nose** if they wish.

This year's focus is supporting families facing poverty and food insecurity both in the UK and globally.

New Nursery – Exciting News!

Groundwork for our new nursery is beginning in the next couple of weeks. We are very excited to see this project move forward.

Please share with local families seeking childcare—they can contact us to join the waiting list.

We hope to open **after Easter**, with updates coming in March.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind Regards,

Laura Hankins



Dates For Your Diary

Date	Description
Friday 6 th February	School Council Storytelling Day
Thursday 12 th February	Class 3 to see Shrek production at JMHS
Friday 13 th February	PTA Valentines Disco (More details to follow)
Friday 13 th February	Last day of Term (Pick up at 3.15 as normal)
Monday 23 rd February	First day back of term
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Friday 20 th March	Comic Relief Day
Friday 20 th March	PTA Easter Egg Bingo



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Date: 26th January 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

What: Road closure for bridge parapet repair.

**Where: ALBRIGHT LANE BROWSEND FARM BROMESBERROW– see map
over leaf**

When: 9th 09:30– 15:30 13th March 2026 24/7 closure

On behalf of Gloucestershire County Council, we are writing to inform you of essential parapet repair works scheduled to take place on Albright Lane, Brownsend Farm, Bromesberrow.

Access During the works, Albright Lane will be closed to all vehicular traffic for the entire duration. A clearly signposted official diversion route will be in place — please follow these diversion signs to help you navigate around the closure safely. We would also like to reassure you that **emergency “blue light”** access will remain available throughout, so emergency services can reach anyone in need.

We fully appreciate that these works may cause some inconvenience, and we sincerely apologise for any disruption this may bring. Rest assured, the schedule has been carefully planned to ensure the work is completed as swiftly as possible, minimising any impact on local residents and road users.

We kindly ask for your cooperation and understanding while these important repairs are carried out. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch with highwaysstakeholder@gloucestershire.gov.uk

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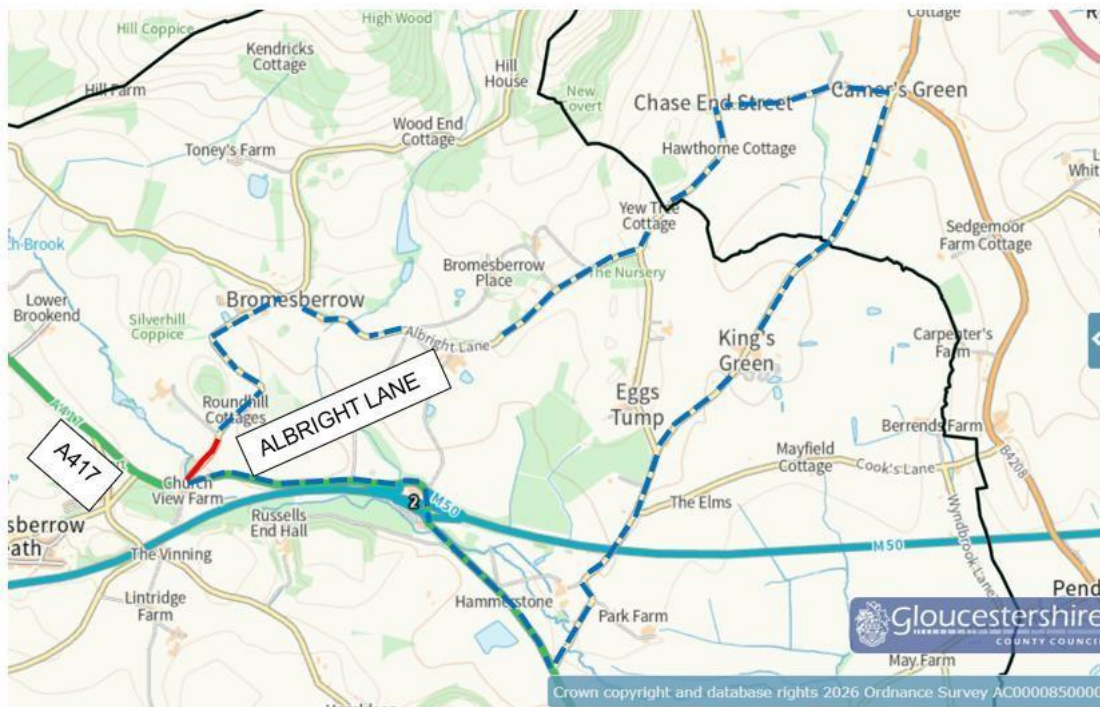
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Liam Nicholls Structures Project Manager for and on behalf of Ringway



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ALBRIGHT LANE BROWSEND FARM BROMESBERROW SITE MAP



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