



**Bromesberrow St Mary's C of E Primary School**  
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**Attendance** - Whole school attendance is 96%

**Curriculum at Bromesberrow - '*Shining together, we Reach for the Stars*'**

**Children have been truly shining over the last couple of weeks!**

In Class 1 this week the children have been learning about schools; comparing and contrasting what it is like in school today compared to what it was like in Victorian times. Some of them were a little shocked at the differences. We all agreed that school is much nicer now!

In Class 2 they have been learning about light in science, exploring shadows and what happens when light hits opaque, translucent and transparent objects.

In Class 3 this week they have been composing some wonderful narratives centred around 'Who Let the God's Out?' by Maz Evans. We have been so impressed by their ambition in this, using extensive vocabulary to affect the reader.

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**Christian Value of the Term: Generosity**

In Collective Worship, we have been gaining an understanding of what it means to be generous. We have been exploring feelings and emotions, linking this to mental health day and spirituality. The children have explored how to be generous and kind with their time and know how to help someone feel better if they have a 'big feeling'.

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**Breakfast and After-School Care – A Place to Thrive!**

Please do support and use our breakfast and afterschool care as a service if you need us. We are working so hard to get this off the ground and ensure it is a viable service. Mrs Lane, Miss Blewitt and Mrs Davis provide a fantastic experience for the children who do attend.

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**Forest Schools/ PE Days**

Class 1 will have Forest School on a Friday this term. Class 1 children will need to come to school with warm long sleeved top, long trousers, waterproof and wellies that may be in school already.

Class 1	Forest School	Friday
Class 1	PE	Wednesday
Class 2	PE	Thursday
Class 3	PE	Friday



## Free School Dinners Why should I apply?

For every child that is entitled to free school meals **the school receives extra funding to enhance provision and improve progress and outcomes for children**. So please apply even if you do not wish to take up your free school meal.

## What are the qualifying criteria for Free School Meals?

Your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

Please visit: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/free-school-meals/apply-for-free-school-meals/> to see if you are eligible.

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## School Admissions- secondary school

The closing date for secondary school applications is approaching – 31 October 2024. Please log in to <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions/transfer-to-secondary-school-or-from-middle-to-high-school-september-2025/>

Primary admissions for Reception 2025 window opens 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and closes 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/admissions-to-reception-at-primary-school-3-junior-school-lower-to-middle-school-places-for-september-2024/>

This letter can be found on our website for access to the links.

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## Reverend Kat's Leaving Service

Last Sunday Mrs Hankins and Miss Mison attended a special service to bid farewell to Reverend Kat, celebrating all that she has contributed to our community. It was a lovely service, filled with warm reflections on her time with us and all the ways she has enriched our school and parish life.

We want to thank Kat for being such a wonderful support to our school over the years.

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## Clubs

The same clubs will continue into next term, restarting on the first week back at school.

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## Community Events



**LEAF LIGHT PARTY**

**Thursday 31st October 3 to 5.15pm**  
**St Michael's Parish Church**

A light-filled, child friendly, alternative to Halloween.  
 Crafts, games & tea - including, tea-light crafts, treasure hunt, scarecrow relay, and lots, lots more.

No Halloween costumes!  
 Please wear bright colours, and wrap up warm.

All welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult.  
 More information from Mary Anne - [maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com](mailto:maryannekeyes@leafledbury.com)

**Ledbury churches working together**  
[www.leafledbury.com](http://www.leafledbury.com)



**Ledbury Poetry Autumn Adventures Day**

**Animal Magic**

long eared, whiskery, snouty, prickly and possibly stripey!  
 Join Jeanette McCulloch to make your own animal mask! Snipping & gluing to create some Halloween magic.

Aged 5-14 years  
 Free but please book a place.

Thursday 31st October  
 10am - 12noon and 1pm - 3pm

All at Ledbury Poetry House, The Homend, Ledbury

ALSO ALL WELCOME TO POP IN & ENJOY AUTUMN POEMS MADE BY LOCAL CHILDREN!

**Autumn Nature Crafts**

Spooky, magical and cute!  
 Join Sarah of Dandy Lions to make wands, cute ghosts, potions and more

Aged 4-10 years  
 Free but please book a place.

Book Here! [Book Here!](#)

Join Sarah of Dandy Lions

Funded by UK Government  
 Herefordshire Council

LEDBURY POETRY



**Friends of Ledbury Children Centre**

**Fun in the Forest**

**For Under Fives and Their Older Siblings**  
**Wednesday 30 October 2.00 – 4.00 pm**

Join us for a fun afternoon in the Forest.  
 Lots of activities, including:  
 Nature spotting, mud kitchen,  
 den building, food and warm drinks,  
 story and songs round the fire.

Find Us on Facebook

Friends of Ledbury Children Centre is a volunteer run Group that supports the Children Centre Services.

Sessions Funded by the Eastnor Lodge of Freemasons

For more information and to book a place contact Becky on 07939 840315.  
 Ledbury Children Centre is at Longacres, Ledbury, Herefordshire HR8 2BE



## Dates for the Diary

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Notes</u>
24.10.24	Last day of term	collect children at normal time.
25.10.24	Staff Inset Day (Staff only in school)	
04.11.24	Start of new term	
5.11.24	Celebration Event (parents invited to share in what we are learning in school)	2.30pm
09.11.24	Bromesberrow St Mary's PTA Firework Display	Poster coming out this week
11.11.24	Pudsey Bear visiting school. A chance to buy Children in Need merchandise	
15.11.24	Children in Need Day	Children can dress in non-uniform and pay £1 to go to Children in Need.
18.11.24	Parent consultation afternoon/evening	2pm-6pm. You will be sent a slip to sign up.
22.11.24	Primary Quest Film Event Yr 1/2	
25.11.24	School Photographer	Details to follow
25.11.24	Last week of afterschool clubs	
26.11.24	Primary Quest Film Event – Yr 5/6	
10.12.24	Christmas Play afternoon performance	2pm
11.12.24	Christmas play evening performance	6pm
12.12.24	Choir perform at Tesco	Details to follow
17.12.24	Choir visit Dymock Residential Home	Details to follow
20.12.24	Christmas Service at St Mary's Church	1.30pm
20.12.24	Break up for holidays – Pick up from church at 2pm	





**PTA – Fireworks!**

If you would like to purchase tickets to our fireworks events, with a £2 discount on every ticket type for families, please complete the attached form and return to school with cash. You will be given a hard copy ticket from the school office.

**Fireworks Event - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 5pm-7pm**

I would like to purchase:

Ticket type	Number of tickets	Total £
Adult (£10) with discount £8		
Child ( <b>Under 15s</b> ) (£5) with discount £3		
Family (£28) with discount £26		
<b>Total amount enclosed</b>		£

Child's name .....

