



14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

# BRAYFORD ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

## LIFE, LOVE AND LEARNING TO THE FULL

### Dates and key information

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Please look out for further details of the following events which have been scheduled for this Spring term. These dates are an indication of what is to come, but may be subject to change as the term progresses and the need arises.

#### School Meals:

W/C Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February - **Pink**

Juniors= £2.55

Infants= Free

### Clubs

**Monday:** Construction Club 3.30-4.15

**Tuesday:** Media Club 3.30-4.15

**Thursday:** Recorder Club 3.30-4.15

### Parents Evening

Our next Parents' Evening will take place next term. The date and time will be announced shortly after we return from half-term.

### Uniform Sale

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding a second-hand uniform sale after half term. This is a great opportunity to purchase good-quality pre-owned uniforms at affordable prices. Further details, including the date, time, and location of the sale, will be shared soon.

**These dates are intended as a guide and you will be notified of any changes.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a lovely last week of the half term. During assemblies this week our focus has been 'British Values'. The children shared some very thoughtful ideas about democracy, rule of the law and respect.

On Thursday we had a visit from our OPAL lead (Outdoor Play and Learning). She came to observe a lunch playtime and make plans for the next term. We are looking forward to sharing some exciting updates with you soon.

After half term we will be celebrating World Book Day, this year we are asking the children to Dress as their favourite book character and bring in their favourite book to share.

Have a lovely half term and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Miss Sara Leggott  
Head of School  
Brayford Academy

## Why is Attendance important?

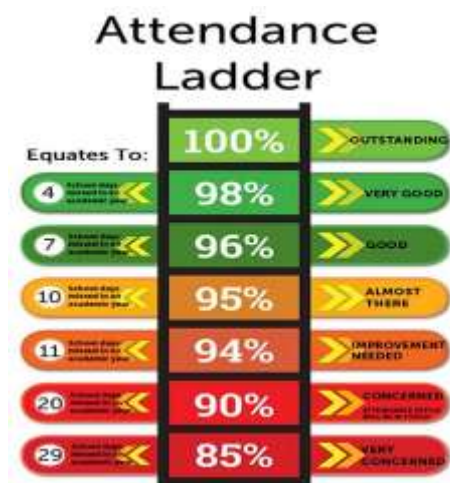
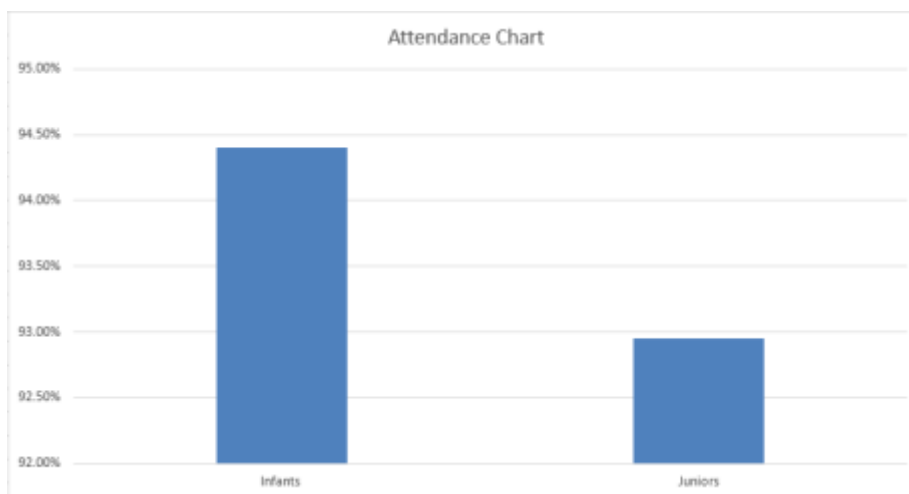
Regular attendance in primary school is crucial for a child's academic success and overall development.

Every lesson builds on the previous one, and missing school can cause gaps in understanding, making it harder for students to keep up with their peers.

Consistent attendance also helps children develop important social skills, such as teamwork, communication, and problem-solving, which are essential for their emotional growth and future success.

Additionally, being present in school fosters a sense of routine and responsibility, helping children build good habits that will serve them well in later life.

Attending school regularly lays the foundation for both academic achievement and personal growth.





Painting and colouring are essential activities for pre-schoolers as they support their overall development in multiple ways. These creative activities help improve fine motor skills by strengthening hand muscles needed for writing. They also enhance hand-eye coordination and encourage self-expression, allowing children to explore their emotions and imagination. Additionally, painting and colouring promote focus and patience while fostering problem-solving skills as children decide which colours to use and how to fill spaces. Most importantly, they provide a fun and stress-free way for young minds to develop confidence and creativity, setting a strong foundation for future learning.







## Certificate of Achievement

### Infants

Isla- Amazing progress with her reading!

### Juniors

River- Great independent work!

## Menu w/c 24<sup>th</sup> February

### MONDAY

#### **Sausage Rolls**

V: Vegetable Sausage Rolls  
Diced Potatoes & Veg  
Pancake Monday

### TUESDAY

#### **Beef Lasagne**

V: Quorn Mince Lasagne  
Garlic bread & Veg  
Fruit Jelly

### WEDNESDAY

#### **Roast of The Day**

V: Vegetarian Roast  
Roast Potatoes & Veg  
Fruit Salad

### THURSDAY

#### **Chicken Korma Curry**

V: Vegetable Curry  
Naan Bread, Rice and Cucumber Sticks  
Apple Sponge with Custard

### FRIDAY

#### **Oven Baked Fish**

V: Vegetarian Nuggets  
Golden Fries & Veg  
Flapjack

Also available everyday:  
Jacket potato with Tuna, Cheese or  
Beans  
Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Cost of School Lunches:  
Infants – Free  
Juniors - £2.55 per meal

### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club runs daily when required from 7.45am to 8.45am and is available to all children at the cost of £4.00 per child. If you would like your child to have some breakfast they need to arrive before 8.15am. There is support available with the cost if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium.

**Please pre-book sessions by midday the day before the required session through the school office.**

Email: [admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@brayford.devon.sch.uk)

Phone: 01598 710345



- If your child is poorly, please report their absence to the school office on 01598 710345 by **9.30am**.
- All medical appointments are to be advised in advance to the school office.
- Any other absences must be applied for via an absence request form.
- Please supply your child with a refillable drinks bottle every day.
- Warm coats for outdoor play if it's wet or cold!
- Please park considerately in the Village hall car park for drop off and pickups.
- If your child is being collected by someone else, please ensure you email or phone the school office and let us know.

### **The School Office**

Emails are only monitored between 8.30am and 12.30pm. If you need to speak to someone urgently, please call the school number 01598 710345. If no one answers, please leave a message and someone will contact you as soon as they can.

### **SCHOOL TERM DATES 2024-2025**

| <b>AUTUMN TERM</b>                                                   | <b>SPRING TERM</b>                                                    | <b>SUMMER TERM</b>                                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>5 <sup>th</sup> September 2024                   | <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025                      | <b>FIRST DAY</b><br>22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025                  |
| <b>HALF TERM</b><br>28 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024 | <b>HALF TERM</b><br>17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025 | <b>BANK HOLIDAY</b><br>5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025                  |
| <b>LAST DAY</b><br>20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024                    | <b>LAST DAY</b><br>4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025                         | <b>HALF TERM</b><br>26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 |
|                                                                      |                                                                       | <b>NON PUPIL DAY</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025                |
|                                                                      |                                                                       | <b>LAST DAY</b><br>22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025                    |

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We currently have 5 vacancies available at Team Multi-Academy Trust:

0.6 FTE Classroom Teacher at  
Brayford Academy.

Casual Afterschool Club  
Playworker at Witheridge Church  
of England Primary Academy.

1.1 SEND TEACHING ASSISTANT  
at Beaford Community Primary &  
Nursery School

Meal Time Assistant at  
Umberleigh Primary Academy.

0.44 FTE KS1/Reception  
Classroom Teacher at Pilton  
Infants' Academy





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## HOLIDAY CLUBS

Football Fun for girls and boys!

**THE ACTIVITIES**  
Match Mania World Cup, FA Cup, Champions League, Goalkeepers & Strikers

**AGES 5-14**

**BOOK TODAY**  
[EXTERCCT.ORG](http://EXTERCCT.ORG)

**Location:** Barnstaple Park School and Ilfracombe Academy  
**Time:** 9.30am - 3.30pm  
**Dates:** Barnstaple - 17th to 18th February, Ilfracombe - 20th to 21st February

QR code for booking information.

[www.cookstars.co.uk](http://www.cookstars.co.uk) @cookstarsnorthdevon @oliviacoookstars

Great for Kids Parties too!

**Fun cooking classes at:**  
**YMCA - SOUTH MOLTON**

**FREE** for all children! booking essential!

**All ingredients included!** plus a craft activity & a recipe card to keep

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**  
(Term times)  
4pm - 5.15pm

Suitable for 2 - 11yrs old

Call Olivia: 07938 608 862  
Email: [olivia@cookstars.co.uk](mailto:olivia@cookstars.co.uk)  
Book: <https://portal.cookstars.franscape.io/class-overview/419>

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