Bridge Farm Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Term 3 - 09/01/2026

If you are worried about the safety of a child you can contact FIRST RESPONSE on 0117 9036444 for advice, support or signposting to an agency that will help you.



A warm welcome back to Term 3 to all children, staff and parents/carers. A Happy New Year to you all. We hope you all had a lovely break and enjoyed some quality time together.

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term ahead, with lots of learning, activities, and opportunities for our children.

Please keep an eye on our usual communication channels for updates and important information as the term progresses.



Primary School Admissions

This is a reminder to apply for your child's primary school place if they are due to start Reception in September 2026.

Applications are made online through the **Bristol City Council** website and it's important to submit your preferences before the deadline - **Thursday 15th January by 23:59** to ensure your application is considered.

Friday Morning Music Time -

On Friday mornings the children/adults in all year groups/classes at Bridge Farm are given the opportunity to choose songs to play throughout the school as the children arrive. This Friday morning's songs were chosen by breakfast club.

Attention!

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the term dates/INSET days for the next academic year 2026/2027.

PLEASE NOTE - the changes to the October half term dates! You're welcome!



Parking around the school

This week we received an email from the Bristol City Council Parks Department. They have recently had complaints from members of the local community regarding parking on the grass verges, particularly the ones on Grass Meers Drive at drop off and pick up times. This has caused the grass to get damaged and is causing local residents distress. A polite reminder that parking on the glass verges is not permitted and you should find other legal locations to park your vehicles when dropping or collecting your children. May we also remind you that for the health and safety of the children, parents and pedestrians, you must NOT park or pull over on the zig zag lines around the school. We thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Star Work Of The Week Winners

A huge well done to you all!

EYFS/KS1 Star Work of the Week Winners



KS2 Star Work of the Week Winners



We can help!



We would like to let you know that our school is able to issue food bank vouchers to support families who may be experiencing financial difficulties at this time. If you feel this support would be helpful for your family, please be assured that any requests will be treated with sensitivity and in complete confidence. Vouchers can be used at local food banks to access essential food items. If you would like more information or wish to request a voucher, please contact the school office or speak directly with a member of staff. We are here to help and support our school community.

Star Work Of The Week Winners

YR - Butterfly: Makuochukwu M - For excellent learning this week using your phonic knowledge to spell words with special friends in your writing. Well done!
YR - Ladybird: Noah J - For writing captions independently to spell cvc words and using finger spaces. You have also made great progress in your handwriting. Well Done!
YR - Bumblebee: Eliza-May B-C - For showing determination and excellence when writing CVC words using her Fred Fingers and phonics knowledge. You have made amazing progress with your writing, Eliza! Well done!
Y1 - Apple: Sully C - For designing a lovely invitation to a Shabbat celebration in RE! Great to see you showing 'Enjoyment' learning about different religions!
Y1 - Pear: Max H - For incredible determination this week in Maths! Max has excelled in his work and has really impressed me with his answering of word problems, Keep up the hard work superstar! I am so proud of you.
Y1 - Cherry: Aubrey K - For showing 'Excellence' in your handwriting this week. Not only have you tried your best in handwriting lessons, but also in your English work too! Keep up the amazing work.
Y2 - Peach: Mia L - For some super work in RE learning about Shabbat. Well done!
Y2 - Apricot: Abel C - For ALWAYS trying your best. You show the school value consistently in all that you do and put in 100% effort. Your handwriting and writing has improved so much and it is truly a joy to see your onfidence grow and personality shine!
Y2 - Lime: Dylan W - For showing 'Excellence' with his learning efforts and participation this week in all subjects!
Y3 - Poppy: Austin C - For your super efforts in maths this week, especially when tackling challenges. You have always a fantastic role mod-
el, often demonstrating the WE CARE values. Well done!
Y3 - Primrose: Arya D-F - For an excellent improvement in your presentation in your English work as well as showing a fantastic growth mindset and kind, thought-ful and helpful attitude this week. You have made an excellent impression on your new teacher. Well done Arya!
Y3 - Clover: Sienna B - What a fantastic start to the term! You are always eager to improve your writing and regularly ask for feedback. We love how much pride and care you take in your work, and you are becoming a truly brilliant author.

Star Work Of The Week Winners

Y4 - Heather: Tyler S - For his fantastic effort in English, and his resilience in using a thesaurus. Well done, Tyler.

Y4 - Bluebell: Alex B - For your consistently impeccable behaviour. You always follow instructions promptly and willingly, without complaint, and you are a true model pupil. It is a pleasure to have you in my class. Your work is always beautifully presented, and you put great effort into joining your handwriting.

Y4 - Foxglove: Teddy B - For making such a great effort with his maths work yesterday and having such an excellent start to the term so far! Well done, Teddy!

Y5 - Olive: Rogan B - For trying his best in all his work this week and showing determination and aspiration in trying even the trickiest questions! And taking such pride in his progress on TTRS!

Y5 - Cedar: Brooks A - For coming back to school with a positive and focused attitude – you should be so proud of yourself!
You showed incredible resilience when learning a new method in arithmetic. Well done!

Y5 - Willow: George H - For fantastic presentation in some tricky maths this week – even better it was the first page of his new book! Keep it up!

Y6 - Hazel: Lexie H - For an amazing clay dragon eye sculpture at the end of last term. You were so aspirational in your use of sculpting techniques and took such time and care when painting it too- well done!

Y6 - Maple: Ted G - For beautiful attention to detail with his handwriting and great care taken when learning a new join this week. Well done, Ted!

Y6 - Beech: Ithamar B - For superb home learning on using scratch to code. I loved seeing how proud you were of your game that you'd created – it was incredible!

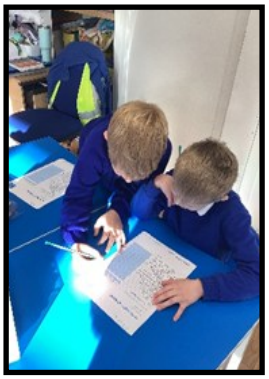
Rights Respecting School

This week, Pupil Parliament met to discuss plans for the Rights Respecting School House Day, which will take place next Tuesday, the 13th of January.

During the meeting, we discussed the four rights that will be our focus in more detail and decided what the winners of the Rights posters will receive as a prize.

Our dedicated team then completed questionnaires about being a Rights Respecting School, which is important in helping us identify areas for improvement.

The team demonstrated the school value of Collaboration, as older children supported younger children to complete these.




<u>The Rights that we will be exploring on House Day are</u>:









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SCHOOL TERM & HOLIDAY DATES 2026-2027

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Key	
	School Day
	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	School INSET Days

Bank and Public Holidays 2026/2027	
Christmas Day – 25th December 2026	Easter Monday – 29th March 2027
Boxing Day's Bank Holiday – 28th December 2026	May Day – 3rd May 2027
New Year's Day – 1st January 2027	Spring Bank Holiday – 31st May 2027
Good Friday – 26th March 2027	Summer Bank Holiday – 30th August 2027