



Braishfield Bugle



Friday 3rd July 2026

Be kind, be brave, be ready to learn, and be your best.

Together, we grow a love of learning and a community where everyone belongs and achieves.

Dear Families,

As we reach the end of another busy and successful week, I'd like to thank everyone for their continued support and enthusiasm. As we move towards the end of term, there are lots of exciting events still to come, so please keep an eye out for upcoming dates and reminders.

The sound of singing from Oaks and Saplings has been filling the school as they prepare for their **Aladdin Jr.** performances next week. The children have been working incredibly hard, and it's wonderful to see their confidence growing with every rehearsal. The costumes are looking amazing and colourful, and if you've got a ticket to the show next week, you are certainly in for a treat!

This week we have welcomed our new Little Acorns for their first Stay and Play session. It was lovely to see them, and our current Little Acorns were their usual kind, friendly and welcoming selves, helping to make the visit a real success. We are excited to welcome them back again soon as they begin their journey as part of our school community.

Finally, we are looking forward to our Summer Fayre tomorrow and hope to see many of you there. Join us at the recreation ground between **12:00 pm and 4:00 pm** for what promises to be a fantastic afternoon of fun, entertainment and community spirit. We look forward to welcoming you all!

Have a wonderful weekend, and we hope to see you tomorrow.

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RAFFLE PRIZES
BRAISHFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL FAYRE
4TH JULY

1ST PRIZE
★ £100 JOHN LEWIS VOUCHER ★

2ND PRIZE
★ £50 CASH ★

★ Golden Gecko Climbing	★ E30 voucher
★ ROADS Plaza Theatre	★ x2 Tickets to Mother Goose Pantomime
★ Romsey Country Market	★ E15 voucher
★ Personal Best Education	★ 1 week multi activity camp voucher
★ Personal Best Education	★ 1 month fitness suite voucher
★ CryoFix Wellness	★ E45 Voucher
★ Thrive and Wild	★ Family Soft Play voucher
★ Mayflower Theatre	★ x4 Tickets to Ballad of Johnny and June
★ COOK	★ E20 voucher
★ TS Services Plumbing and Heating	★ Free Boiler Service
★ SamPT	★ 1:1 Personal Training Session
★ The Concorde Club	★ x4 Tickets to PhoneyFest
★ Eastleigh Football Club	★ x2 Matchday Tickets
★ Totton Football Club	★ Family Matchday Tickets
★ Romsey Rapids	★ Family Fun Swimming voucher
★ Bradbeers	★ E25 voucher
★ Mottisfont National Trust	★ Family Entry
★ Romsey Eyecare	★ E75 Voucher
★ Photofair	★ Photo Frame
★ Swish Theatre	★ 50% off summer camp voucher
★ Paultons Golf Centre	★ 2 Ball Voucher
★ Beauty Studio	★ E15 voucher
★ Fig and Fox	★ Wax Melts Selection box
★ The Play Park, Romsey	★ 2 adults and 2 children entry
★ Broadlands Estate	★ Entry and Guided tour for 2
★ The Romsey Show	★ Family Entry
★ Savannah Spa	★ E30 voucher
★ Helen Rushdon Photography	★ Photoshoot and Print

LOTS OF AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON!

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR GENEROUS DONORS!

Celebration Assembly – 9am on Friday morning

Our wonderful children who have been awarded certificates this week.

Headteacher's Certificate			
Sienna			
Little Acorns	Big Acorns	Saplings	Oaks
Isla	Harry Heidi	Edward Lily	Lizzy Bisandu



Congratulations to all of the children below who were awarded their **Bronze** reading badges this week for **100 reads!** What a fantastic achievement!

• Joe, Florence, Niamh,

Upcoming events ...

- Saturday 4th July – BSA Summer Fayre 12-4pm
- Monday 6th July - Rocksteady concert at 2:45pm
- Friday 10th July – KS2 Production Day
- Monday 13th July – Whole school transition activity- Crazy Creatures
- Saturday 18th July – Braishfield Flower Show
- Wednesday 22nd July – 9:30am Leavers' and Progress Cup Assembly
- **Wednesday 22nd July – End of term and school year**
- **INSET DAYS 2026/2027 – 1st September, 22nd and 23rd October, 4th January and 28th May**

What we have been learning this week...

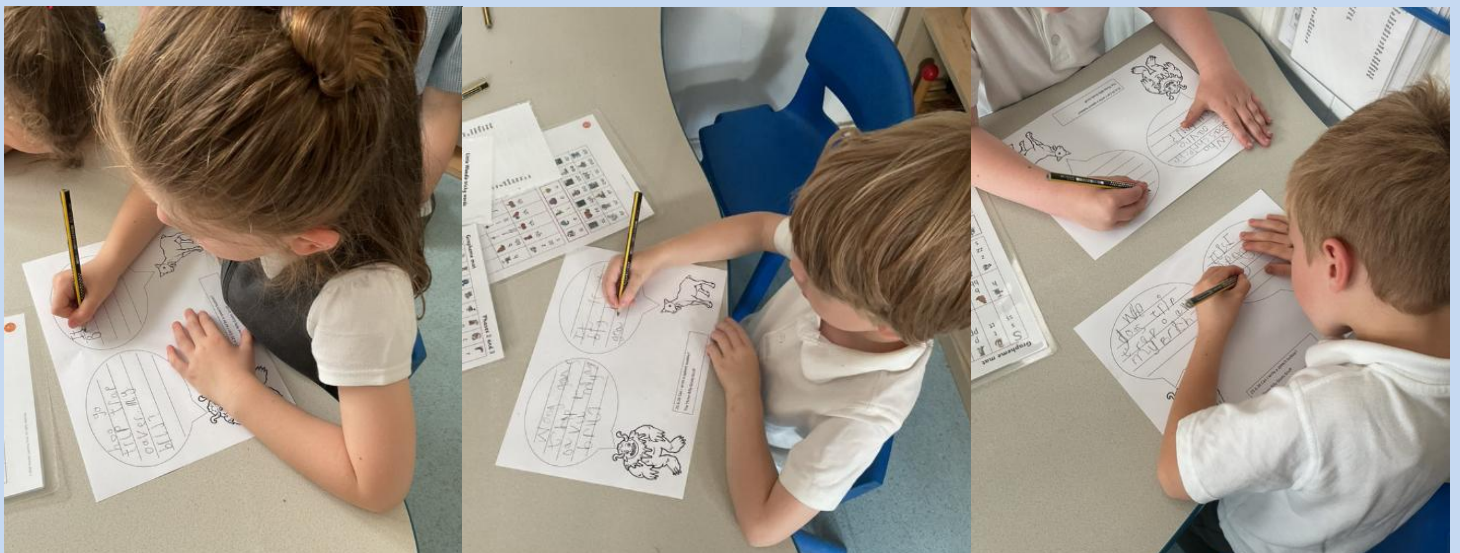
Little Acorns

This week, Little Acorns have been finishing off their learning about *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* by writing speech bubbles for the characters. It has been lovely to see just how much the children's writing has developed over the year.

In Maths, we have been learning about odd and even numbers and sharing objects into groups. We used different objects to work out whether we had an odd or even number and practised making doubles on the rekenrek.

Towards the end of the week, we started our new story, *The Three Little Pigs*. We listened carefully to the story, answered questions about what had happened, and then had lots of fun acting it out using masks and props.

In PSED, we have been learning about healthy eating. The children used their home learning to create a colourful rainbow of healthy foods. We also explored a selection of delicious fruits using our senses, looking carefully at them, feeling their textures, smelling



Big Acorns

This week, we started our new book in English called Patten's Pumpkin. We read the book, sequenced the story and did some independent writing linked to some of the pictures. In maths, year 2 have been learning about reading and interpreting tally charts and tables. They did a fantastic job using the information to answer different questions. Year 1 have been doing place value up to 100. They have been practising counting up to 100 and exploring tens in numbers up to 100. In PE, the children practised sending and receiving through rolling the ball to their partner and receiving it at their feet. They then had to send it back by kicking the ball. We started our DT unit about healthy eating. The children reminded each other about all the fruits and vegetables they like to eat, we talked about the importance of a healthy balanced diet and we explored where different fruits and vegetables come from. In music, we explored tempo by learning a song about a snail and a mouse.

Mrs Morant



Saplings

This week in Saplings, we have been learning about explanation texts. We identified their key features, found ambitious vocabulary, and watched videos about volcanoes to inspire our own writing.

In Maths, we have been adding, comparing, and ordering amounts of money, as well as solving a range of money problems.

During Guided Reading, we have been revising the skills of skimming and scanning. We especially love playing our "First One to Find..." game, which helps us practise finding information quickly.

We have also spent quite a bit of time practising the songs to support Oaks with their production. We were then lucky enough to watch the first part of the performance, and we were so impressed!

Today, we had the privilege of welcoming a local author to school (Lindsay Walker), who talked to us about the books she has written and shared her experiences as a writer. It was a wonderful opportunity and a great way to inspire our own love of reading and writing.



Oaks

The children in Oaks have been very busy this week! In English, we have started exploring the characters and events of 'The Tempest' through a range of engaging drama activities. In maths, we have consolidated our understanding of Roman numerals and reflected on our learning from across the year by designing our own maths quizzes and recording the answers. In computing, we have explored how to use conditions in programming, developing our understanding of how programmes make decisions based on different inputs.

A huge well done to all the children who completed their circulatory system projects—they were fantastic! It was wonderful to see the creativity, effort, and scientific knowledge that went into each one.

Over the last two days, Oaks Class have completed their Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) learning. Our Year 5 pupils learnt about the physical and emotional changes that happen as we grow, while Year 6 explored conception, pregnancy and birth. It is always a privilege to teach these important topics, and the children approached every session with great maturity, respect and thoughtfulness. They also asked some excellent, well-considered questions.

A huge thank you for sending in the children's costumes on time—they all look fantastic! We held a mini dress rehearsal today, and the costumes really helped bring the production to life. We truly appreciate the time and effort you put into preparing them. Thank you also to everyone who completed a programme cover design; choosing the winning entries will be a very difficult task. We hope you have your tickets ready for next week's production—the children are so excited to perform and can't wait to share all of their hard work with you!

Miss Jones and Mrs Niles

Staffing Update

It is the time of year when we sometimes have to say thank you and goodbye to some of the adults that work in our school.

Mrs Quarendon, who has been in the school office supporting Mrs Ewens for a long time now, is leaving at the end of term to focus on her family. We will miss having her support, Arbor expertise and lovely, friendly manner in school. We have successfully appointed a new admin assistant- Julie Holland- who many of you will already know and welcome her to the team in September.

Ms John, our school SENCO, is also leaving this year following a promotion at another school and we wish her all the best. I know she has supported many of you with advice, guidance, signposting support and completing a variety of necessary paperwork as part of her SENCO role and we will miss her wealth of knowledge and expertise. Our new school SENCO will be the familiar face of Mrs Morant, who has been undertaking the necessary qualification for this position for a while now and we are very lucky to have someone who knows our school so well already to step into Ms John's knowledgeable and dedicated shoes. She will be working closely with Ms John for the remainder of term to ensure a smooth transition.

Following Miss Allen's departure last half term, I am pleased to say that we have appointed Mr Marco Lombardo to the position of LSA and ELSA/pastoral support at Braishfield from September. He has already been in to visit and get to know the staff and will be spending time getting to know the children, before undertaking the necessary training to take on the ELSA role and we welcome him to the team too.

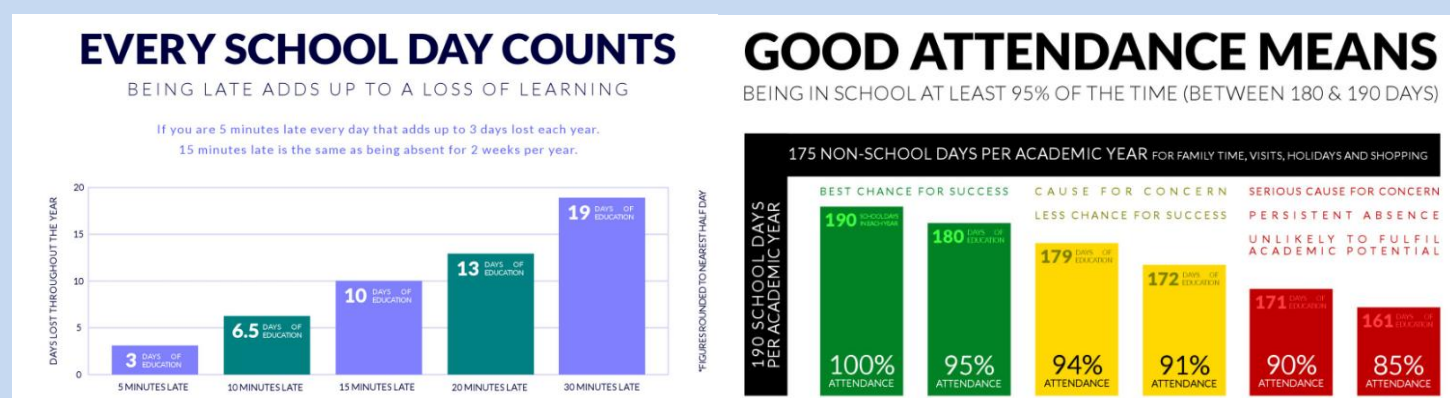
Finally, as a result of taking on the role of SENCO, Mrs Morant will be stepping away from her role as Big Acorns' class teacher in September. This week, we have appointed a new Big Acorns' teacher- Miss Laura Jones- who will also be coming in to get to know the children over the coming weeks. She is an experienced teacher with a wealth of knowledge of working in small, rural schools having moved from Australia, where she began her teaching career.

We look forward to spending the remaining weeks with the current team and welcoming the new members of the team in September. The children will be participating in three different transition activities over the coming two weeks to enable them to get to know their new classes and new adults and further details will be shared next week.

Why Attendance Matters!

It is the legal duty of parents to ensure that their child receives full time education. Good attendance is vital to a child's progress and achievement. Common sense tells us that absence and lateness disrupt the continuity of learning and therefore affect progress and, ultimately, success. As a result of the direct correlation between attendance and achievement, it is vital that children achieve full attendance.

It is also important to note that short periods of regular absence can be just as damaging to learning as long term absence.



☀️ As we enter the final two and a half weeks of the academic year, we have many exciting learning experiences planned for the children. We would therefore like to encourage all families to support and prioritise good attendance, ensuring that children do not miss out on these valuable opportunities and can make the most of the remainder of the school year.

Congratulations to **Year 2** who this week have achieved the best attendance in the school with 98.8%. Well done for showing such great commitment to learning!

Year 2 – 98.8%

1 day missed

Year 4 – 98.7%	1 day missed
Year 1 – 98.5%	1 day missed
Year R – 96%	3 days missed
Year 6 – 95.4%	3 days missed
Year 5 – 91.5%	5.5 days missed
Year 3 – 86.4%	9.5 days missed
Overall this week–95.2%	24 days of missed learning across the school
Overall this year- 95.2%	
Our minimum target is 96.5%	

Do You Have a Spare Logoed Bookbag?

As we prepare to welcome our new Year R children in September, we're reaching out to families with children in Years 3–6. If you have a school *logoed bookbag* at home that is no longer being used, we would be very grateful if you could consider donating it for a new Year R child to use.

We are encouraging all children in Years R–2 to bring a bookbag rather than a rucksack to school. This is because:

- All children having the same promotes a sense of equality, belonging, and pride in their school.
- Our lockers have limited space, and larger bags can make them difficult to use.
- Children in these year groups only need to bring their *reading pack and a water bottle*, so a rucksack isn't necessary.
- Bookbags make it easier to keep reading packs and homework flat and tidy.

If you have a spare bookbag to donate, please drop it off at the school office. Thank you for helping us make the start of school a little smoother for our youngest pupils!

BSA News 🍷

The Fayre will begin at 12 and we'd love to see as many of our school community there as possible. There will be a BBQ, refreshments, inflatables to keep the children occupied and live Morris dancing throughout the afternoon. With a final big push, we might just be able to get over our fundraising target to gift school with a big cheque for the first part of the new outside area so please do consider supporting this event as it will make a considerable difference to school life for our children!

Homework

Big Acorns

Y1 -

Phonics: Practise reading and writing the words from their new word list in their reading packs

Maths: Complete the addition sheet in their reading packs

Y2 -

Reading: Some children will be bringing home new words linked to their reading groups in school. Please practise reading these daily.

Maths: Page 52-53 in their maths homework books

Spelling: Complete the spelling sheet in their reading packs

Saplings

Spellings - create a poster using your common exception words. If you no longer have a copy of these, they can be googled (type in Year 3 and 4 common exception words)

Maths - Top marks daily 10 level 3, 4 or 5. Choose any area to revise

Oaks

Please continue to read x5 a week and record these in your reading logs, which we will check on Fridays.

Y6 - As secondary school is approaching, we'd like to introduce a 'tying a tie' competition.

Please can you practise this over the next couple of weeks and we will have a mini contest to see who the quickest is in our final weeks.

Y5 - Please complete a page in each of your homework books and bring them in next Friday.

Useful links and information:

ONLINE MUSIC PRODUCTION LESSONS

Interested in music, technology, or creating your own tracks?
Create music from the comfort of your own home!
Our Online Music Production lessons are the perfect place to start - no experience needed!

- Learn to create beats, basslines & chord progressions
- Mix, arrange and structure your own songs
- Explore a huge range of styles and genres
- Follow our structured Music Production curriculum
- Work towards recognised stage certificates
- Suitable for Year 4 - Year 8
- All taught online after school

Join a FREE Taster Session

Come and experience what our weekly music production lessons are like each week!

In this interactive session, we'll demonstrate how we use BandLab to create elements of a popular song - exploring what's possible with just your creativity and a laptop.

Sign up for a session on:

- Monday 13th July - 4:30 - 5:30pm
- Thursday 16th July - 4:30 - 5:30pm

[Click here to sign up](#)

Stubbington Study Centre

Open Day

(for children visiting in the Autumn Term 2026)

Saturday 11th July 2026

FREE ENTRY 10am—4pm

Allow about 1 hour to look around

Are you about to come to Stubbington Study Centre with your school and want the opportunity to have a look around? Come along to our open day where you can:

- Have a look in the dormitories
- Play on the adventure playground
- Meet the Stubbington Staff
- Explore the site
- Follow a trail around the grounds
- Visit the Tuck Shop
- See where you will eat
- Try a Stubbington biscuit!

For your safety and convenience:

- Report to the welcome desk on arrival
- Please limit your stay to 1 hour
- Due to limited parking, please car share if possible
- The Tuck Shop is CASH ONLY

Please note that **NO** refreshments are available to purchase, except purchase of biscuits or sweets in the tuck shop.

Stubbington Study Centre, 184 Stubbington Lane, Fareham, Hants PO14 2ND

Please note that unfortunately dogs are not allowed on the site, except for assistance dogs.

Hampshire County Council

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Criteria....

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AGE 4-12 YRS

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- CRAFT IT ON A MONDAY
- GET WILD N' WET IN TUESDAY'S WATER FIGHT
- EVERY WEDNESDAY IT'S BIKES AND SCOOTERS
- FRIDAY FUNDAY ON INFLATABLES

Funded by UK Government

Free holiday activities and meals for eligible children this summer!

Children in Reception to Year 11 receiving benefits-related free school meals can enjoy a variety of fun activities and healthy meals for free during the summer break through the Hampshire Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme!

Scan the QR code on the left to browse HAF schemes in your local area via our new booking system, or scan the code on the right to find out more about the HAF programme through the connect4communities website.

Book Schemes **HAF FAQs**

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connect4communities/holidayactivities>

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BRAISHFIELD BEES EARLY YEARS SESSIONS

NEW YOUNGER PLAYERS WANTED!

CURRENTLY IN YEAR R OR JOINING YEAR R IN SEPTEMBER

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Safeguarding and Wellbeing:

MHST – Mental Health Support Team – There are a range of different leaflets and information, which can be found on the bookshelf in the office foyer, and parents are welcome to take anything that might be useful to them.

Coming soon... Autumn Term- Parent Workshop linked to supporting children's behaviour at home led by the MHST. Details coming soon.

Further dates and information are available using this link:

<https://www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops/>

Please see the below link from Hampshire County Council, which offers information may be of interest to families of children with Special Educational Needs.

[SEND Local Offer Discovery Days | Hampshire CTSH](#)