



# Braybrook Primary Academy

Head's Newsletter

28th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers, It has been another busy week at Braybrook!

In **Reception**, the children have been learning all about the dark. They discovered which people work through the night and why these jobs are so important. In maths, they created “stampoline” patterns using four cubes, challenging themselves to make as many different patterns as possible. Outdoors, they have been busy building dens to protect themselves from the cold weather.

In **Year 1**, the book of the week was *Angelica Sprocket's Pockets*. The children used their imaginations to describe her house, think about what else she might keep in her pockets, and even plan how to catch an alligator! In history, they learned how toys have changed over time.

In **Year 2**, the children have continued learning about the Torah in RE. They explored questions about its significance and found out why it is so important to Jewish people. In English, they went on their own journey around the school, using all their senses to observe what was happening around them. Next week, the class will be writing their own journey stories.

In **Year 3**, the children have begun exploring multiplication and division. This week, they used cubes to represent numbers using arrays in different ways, and were surprised to find that some numbers can be shown in many ways while others only have two. They also completed their stories inspired by *Mini-Rabbit Not Lost*.

In **Year 4**, the class continued their work on Ancient Egypt by learning about Egyptian scrolls. After studying Egyptian art, they selected their favourite images to create their own collages. In science, they learned about the water cycle before moving on to discuss climate change. The children are now preparing to write speeches encouraging others to care for our planet.

In **Year 5**, the children have been writing non-chronological reports about their own mythical beasts. After creating their ideas, they produced detailed reports using impressive vocabulary and strong writing skills. In science, they investigated electrical conductors and insulators and worked brilliantly in groups to test different materials.

In **Year 6**, the children explored our school grounds to identify which invertebrates are most common at this time of year. They then researched why this might be, learning more about the diets and habitats of these creatures. They have also been studying how the Olympic Games began in Ancient Greece and comparing life in Athens and Sparta.

Across the school, we have had some very exciting events:

- **Recycling Visit:** On Monday, we were visited by Peterborough Council for an afternoon all about recycling. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed hands-on workshops, while KS2 attended an informative assembly about recycling and where different materials come from.
- **Britten Sinfonia:** On Thursday, KS2 enjoyed a visit from the Britten Sinfonia orchestra with their *Dots and Lines* show. The children heard music from a trombone and cello, and their own voices became part of the performance. It was a wonderful musical experience—and the orchestra commented on how fantastic our children were too!

Have a wonderful weekend, Mr Gross and the Braybrook team.



# Achievements

## Achievement award winners

28.11.25

Year 1	Marco
Year 2	Alexandru
Year 3	Lulu
Year 4	Maxwell
Year 5	Vanessa
Year 6	Nina

## Braybrook Achievement Cup winner

**Aria Y1**



## Braybrook Brilliant Behaviour award

**Zuzanna Y4**

## Weekly attendance winner

**Whole school attendance is currently....94.7%**

1st	Yr 4	96.8%
2nd	Yr3	96.5%
3rd	Yr 2	96.1%
4th	Yr 5	95.4%
5th	Yr 1	94.7%
6th	Reception	93.2%
7th	Yr 6	88.5%

## Braybrook Sports

- **Swimming Gala:** Four of our Year 6 pupils— Antoni, Kerry, Eshan and Nina— travelled to St Neots to compete in our inter-trust swimming gala against ten schools. All four swimmers were fantastic, and our school finished **second overall!** A huge well done to them.
- **Girls' Football:** Our girls' football team travelled to Orton Wistow for a match this week. Despite a narrow 2-0 defeat, the girls played wonderfully. With a little more luck (and slightly fewer goalkeeping heroics from the opposing team!), it could easily have been a 2-2 draw.



# Diary Dates

## December

Monday 1st: Wishing the Lights on assembly—bring your decorations!

Wednesday 3rd: After school clubs end

Thursday 4th—Christmas Fair (3:30pm+)

Monday 8th—Reception and Year 1 Nativity show—2:15pm

Tuesday 9th—Reception and Year 1 Nativity show—9:15am

Tuesday 9th: Pupil Flu vaccinations (nasal spray)

Wednesday 10th—Year 2 and 3 Carol Concert —2:15pm

Thursday 11th—Year 2 and 3 Carol Concert —9:15am

Monday 15th—Year 4, 5, 6 Carol Concert —2:00pm

Tuesday 16th— Year 4, 5, 6 Carol Concert —2:00pm

Wednesday 17th—Rock Steady concert—2:30pm

Thursday 18th—Christmas Lunch (Christmas Jumper day!)

Friday 19th December—Reward Day

**22nd December —5th January (Christmas Break)**

**5th January—Return to school**

## Christmas Events



On 1st December, we will be switching our Christmas lights on our tree in the main hall. We will be again running a competition to make a decoration for the tree. Every class will have a winner and a prize, and the children can bring their decorations in on 1st December.

We still have spaces available for children to visit Santa at our Christmas Fair! If you'd like to book a magical Santa visit and haven't done so yet, please send in your forms and payment as soon as possible to secure your child's place.

