



Newsletter Thursday 1st October 2026

A Word from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday this week our school joined thousands of schools around the country for a Picture News Live assembly. The focus of the assembly was Benedict's Law and how we can make our school a safe place for children with allergies. It was great to raise awareness of allergies and anaphylaxis with our pupils. Further lessons will be taking place in class across the remainder of this term and we will continue to monitor playtime snacks and packed lunches in-line with the information sent home to parents last week.

This week we have had a new play gym installed on the edge of the school field. This is aimed at our KS2 pupils and has been purchased using the money raised through fundraising last academic year alongside the KS1 climbing frame. Thank you as always for your support with fundraising, our next event is the Family Bingo Night on Thursday 8th October.

This year the organisers of Pride of Britain have launched Pride of the Playground, a new nationwide initiative giving primary schools across the UK the chance to recognise and celebrate the children who make a difference every day. It brings the spirit of celebrating unsung heroes into primary schools, giving the recognition they deserve for the positive difference they make. From eco champions and young fundraisers to community-minded pupils, young leaders and those who simply go the extra mile for others.

Broad Oak will be taking part and I will launch the programme with pupils in assembly on Monday. Look out for communication next week providing details of the selected categories and how to nominate. A panel of staff and governors will select the winners in each category who will be presented with their award in a special assembly later this term.

On Monday 12th October we will be holding our Harvest Festival in school. As in recent years, we will be making donations to our local food bank. We will be collecting items in school from next week and are seeking donations of tinned food items. Thank you in advance.

Our first Parents' Evening consultations of the year will take place on Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th of October. The booking form will go live on Arbor later today and will close at the end of the school day on Monday 12th October. Please take the time to book an appointment and please contact the school admin team if you experience any problems doing so.

Finally, we are saddened to share that Susan Wadsworth, a former teacher and Assistant Head at Broad Oak, passed away peacefully on Tuesday afternoon. Susan was a valued and much loved member of our school community, and she will be remembered with great affection. Our thoughts are with her family at this time.

Best wishes,

Mr. Kevin Corteen.
Headteacher.

School Applications:

The application window is now open for Reception and Y7 places. Current Nursery and Y6 parents can make an application for a Reception place at Broad Oak or a Y7 place at their preferred High School using the links below:

Secondary (Year 7) applications: 31 October 2026

<https://parentportal.manchester.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>

Reception applications: 15 January 2027

<https://parentportal.manchester.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions>

All applications must be submitted online, as Manchester City Council do not process paper application forms.

Attendance:

Our attendance target for this academic year is **95%**. Our whole school attendance figure for the year to date is **95.58%**

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95%** W/E 18.09.26:

Elm - 97%, Pine - 97%, Ash - 97%, Rowan - 99%, Spruce - 98%, Aspen - 95%.

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95%** W/E 11.09.26:

Oak - 98%, Elm - 97%, Ash - 96%, Hazel - 95%, Beech - 96%, Rowan - 98%, Spruce - 97%.

UN Rights of the Child – Rights Respecting School Award:

We have identified the following four articles from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child as our main focus for our RRSA work this year.

Each class will be developing a class charter based on these four articles.

The identified articles are:



Star of the Week:

The following children received Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly on 01.10.26:

Elm - Emily, Pine - Arthur, Ash - Zakeriya, Hazel - Gabriel, Beech - Jamie, Rowan - Liam, Spruce - Ibrahim A, Aspen - Berry.

The following children received Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly on 24.09.26:

Elm - Omar, Pine - Tian, Ash - Reid M, Hazel - Mina, Beech - Lujain, Rowan - Alfie, Spruce - Louis, Aspen - Maria.

Reading Raffle:

Read at least 5 times a week - whether it's a book of your choice or time spent on Reading Plus - and you'll be entered into our weekly raffle! Every week you meet the goal, you get a chance to win a prize. So grab a book, log into Reading Plus, and start reading your way to rewards!

Winners: 22/09/26

KS1 Leylah (Ash)

LKS2 Georgie (Hazel)

UKS2 Emmeline (Rowan)

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Behaviour

Courage

Determination

Enthusiasm

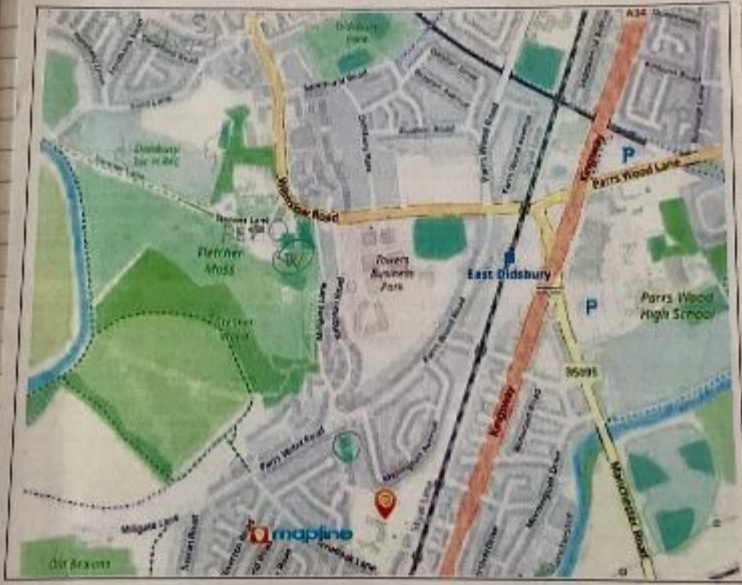
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Resilience

Year 5 went on a Geography field trip last week to see what leisure facilities are available to residents and tourists. We marked them on a map and will compare them with Innsbruck, Austria.

What is there to do in our local area?

Use the map below to show the route you will take. Draw the symbols to show recreational land use.



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 Williamson house
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 R: community wood
 Cinemas
 Shops
 Golf club
 R: River Mersey
 Train station

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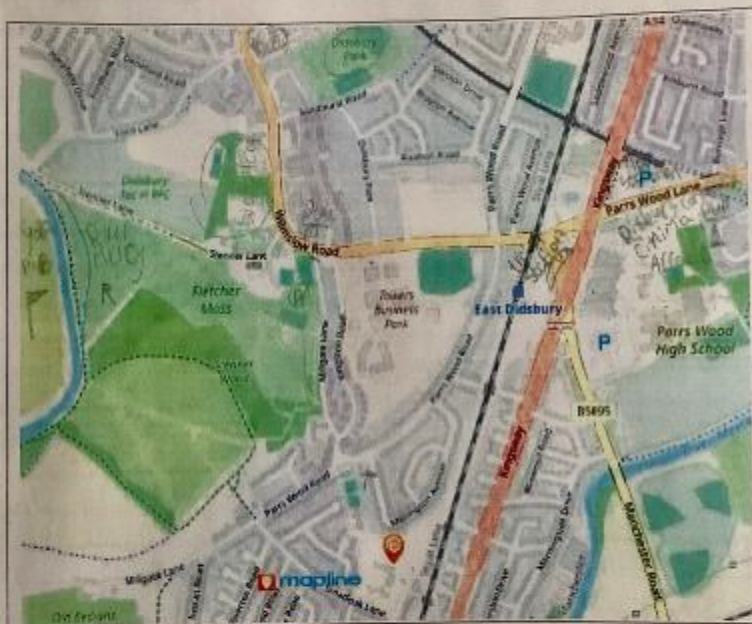
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 S: shopping complex
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 R: River Mersey
 G: golf course
 L: community woodland

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 Didsbury Park
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 Shops
 Golf club
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 Train station
 Didsbury complex
 Pub Cinema
 Train station

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 DP: Didsbury Park
 Sh: shops
 P-R: pub and restaurant
 GC: golf club
 A: park
 O: open space
 S: shopping complex

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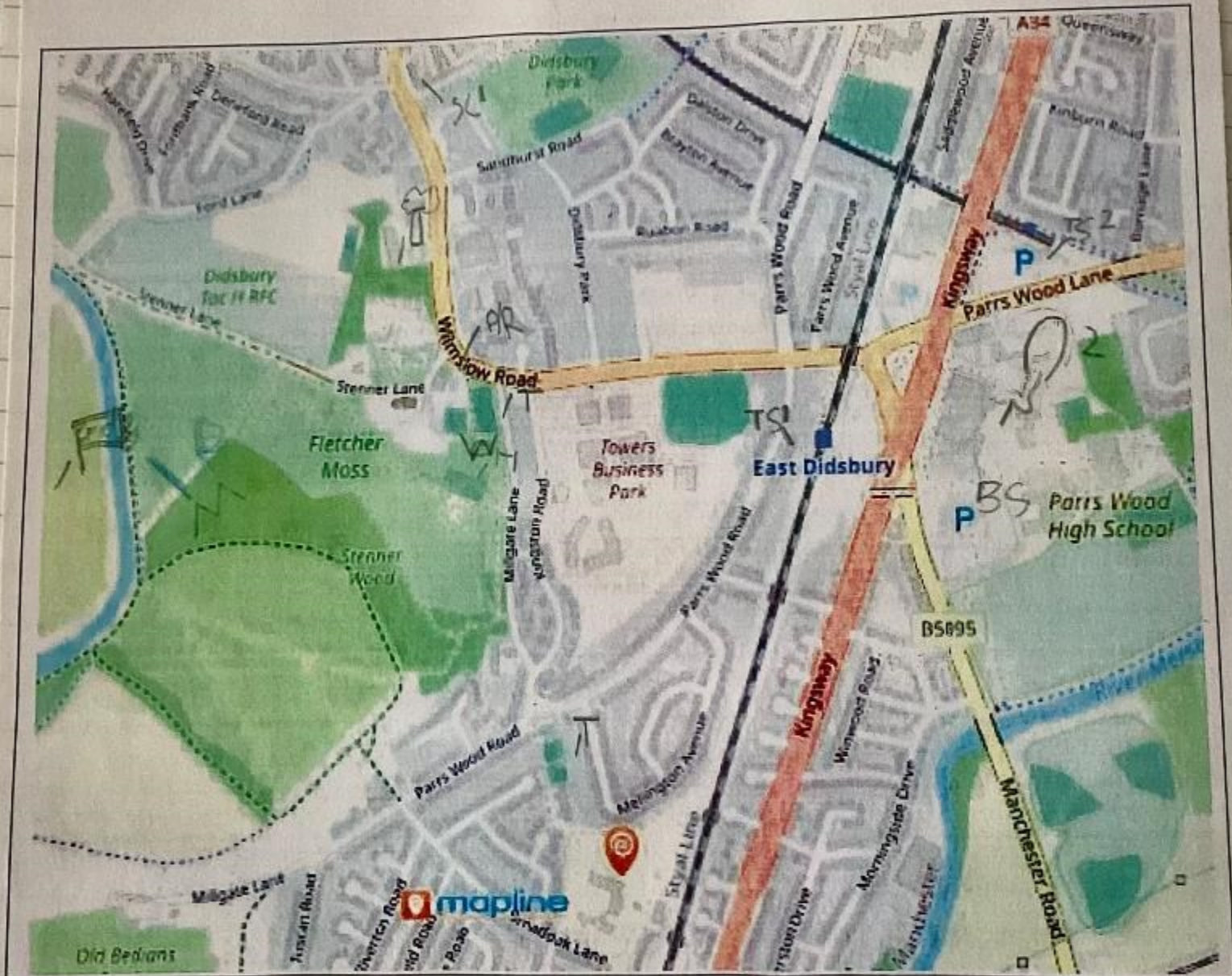
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 ✓ WH = ~~Public house~~ house
 ✓ CW = Community Woodlands
 SC = Shopping Complex

RM = River Mersey
 G.C. = Golf Course
 SC = shopping complex?
 TS1 = Train station
 TS2 = Tram station
 BS = Bus stop

Elm class have been busy learning to subitise to 3 in Maths and making leaf prints in our creative area!



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BroadOakPS](https://www.facebook.com/BroadOakPS)),

and **Instagram** (@[broad oakps](https://www.instagram.com/broad oakps)).

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EYFS OPEN DAY!



We'd love to share our incredible school with you! We are a child-centred and inclusive community school with care and warmth at the heart of what we do. We have a beautifully spacious site with our own forest that is used weekly throughout the year!



Date

: Friday, 6th November 2026



Time

: at 9.30 AM - 11.30 AM



Location

BROAD OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL
Broad Oak Lane, East Didsbury,
M205QB

**Please register
at the school's
reception at the
end of Broad
Oak Lane.**

Don't miss this chance to be a part of our school community and take the first step towards your child's future!

RSVP :

Kate Shore- EYFS Lead

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CHEADLE TOWN STINGERS

RECRUITING NOW!



 YEAR 1 GIRLS!

 YEAR 2 GIRLS!

 YEAR 3 GIRLS!

 YEAR 4 GIRLS!

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