



Newsletter Thursday 15th October 2026

A Word from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will be aware we recently invited nominations for two parent governors to join our Governing Board. We received one nomination and I am pleased to announce that Mr. Pete Bridge has been appointed to the board. Pete has a son in Y5 and you may know him from his active involvement in school fundraising events. We are still seeking another parent to join the board. If anyone would like to find out more information about the role of a governor, please feel free to contact the school office.

Last week our Y5 and Y6 pupils had a visit from the Fire Service. Following a talk on home safety, the children were taken outside to view a fire engine and find out all about the role of a fire fighter.

On Thursday 8th October we held our Reception Welcome Meeting. Our new reception cohort with their Y5 buddies presented a lovely assembly to our reception parents. The Y5 buddies are taking their special role very seriously and helping some of our youngest children to settle into their new class. Friday 9th October was World Mental Health Day. To recognise the special event our school community were asked to wear yellow to school.

This week we have celebrated our Harvest Festival. Thank you to our parents and carers for their donations. All of the food collected will be taken to a local food bank next week to benefit our local community.

On Wednesday Aspen class, our Y6 children, shared their learning from the term so far with parents, carers and other members of Williamson House. Thank you to everyone involved for a wonderful assembly.

This week we have held our first Parents' Evenings of the year. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to attend and I hope that you found the meetings informative. If you were unable to attend, please speak to your child's teacher to arrange a suitable time to meet.

Finally, our Pride of the Playground award nominations are still open. These will close at the end of the school day on Thursday 22nd October. Pupils can nominate a friend, self nominate or be nominated by a parent, carer or staff member.

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: 31st October 2026

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

Reception applications: 15th 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 **95.2%**

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95% W/E 2.10.26:**

Elm - 96%, Pine - 96%, Ash - 97%, Hazel - 99%, Beech - 96%, Rowan - 97%, Spruce - 99%.

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95% W/E 25.09.26:**

Oak - 99%, 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 15.10.26:

Elm - Izyan, Pine - Ralph, Ash - Nicole, Hazel - Benji, Beech - Ralph, Rowan - Tilly, Spruce - Ibrahim M, Aspen - Cade.

The following children received Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly on 08.10.26:

Elm - Xander, Pine - Stanley, Ash - Ismail, Hazel - Lachlan, Beech - Ben, Rowan - Eli, Spruce - Narayan, Aspen - Hendrik.

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 07.10.26

KS1 Raina (Ash)

LKS2 Nicole (Hazel)

UKS2 Emily (Rowan)

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The Nursery children have been enjoying their first experience of learning outside the classroom. They all got excited and carried away after learning about this wonderful and quality textbook "We are Going on a Bear Hunt " by Michael Rosen.



Outside in the woods, as part of their Forest Crew they loved hiding 'behind' a tree of their choice, making sure the Bear won't see them. In the mud kitchen they developed some recipes and tried to cook some food for the Bear! In the mud kitchen they developed some recipes and tried to cook some food for the Bear!



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Year 5 and 6 had an exciting visit from Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service! The crew shared some important fire safety advice and gave the children the chance to try on a firefighter's uniform, discovering what all the different pieces of kit are for. There were some budding firefighters in the making – although a few may need a little more practice with the boots!



The highlight of the visit was heading outside to explore the real fire engine! The children enjoyed a fantastic tour, discovering the equipment firefighters use to tackle all sorts of emergencies. There were plenty of curious questions, wide eyes and excited faces along the way!



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At After School Club recently, the children have enjoyed making kites. Now that autumn has arrived, they have been getting creative by making leaf puppets.



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Hazel class have started to learn French this term. Our unit is called J'apprends le français. We have learnt how to ask what someone is called, ask how someone is feeling, count to ten and the names of 10 different colours. We have had lots of fun using our new languages skills talking to each other.

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Je m'appelle
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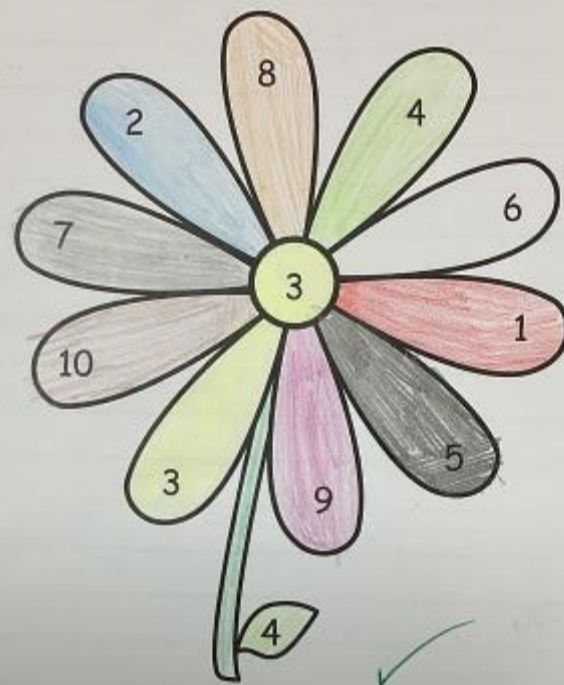
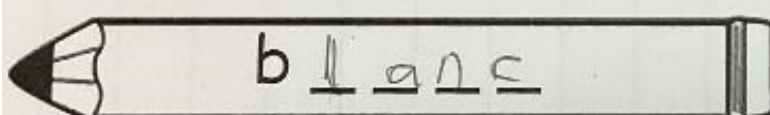
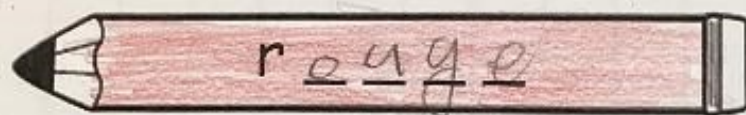
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huit = orange

neuf = violet

dix = marron

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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 :

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