Broad Oak Primary School

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Newsletter Thursday 5th November 2026

A Word from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wishing a warm welcome back to all our children and families following the half term holiday. We hope everyone has come back to school feeling refreshed and ready for the half term ahead.

A big thank you to all who attended our Family Bingo Night, which was a fun experience and raised money for school funds. Some of this money will be used to purchase board games for use in classes during wet playtimes.

During the week before half term, Year 1 enjoyed their trip to Didsbury Park as part of their geography fieldwork, taking part in map reading activities and working together to identify key locations in the park.

The Reception class had a special visit from Hannah Youssef who provided a fun nursery rhyme session in Spanish, which was greeted with enthusiasm by our younger children.

A big thank you to all who attended our Homework Gallery on Wednesday 21st October. It was lovely to see so many families coming to celebrate their own and others' work, we really do appreciate all the hard work that goes into these longer term projects each half term.

It was also lovely to see the great turn out from our Acorns and Saplings classes, and for children from all ages across school to share and celebrate each others' successes.

This week we have started our busy half term with our Year 3 and 4 trip to Bolton Museum to take part in an Ancient Egyptian Workshop, which was informative and enjoyed by all.

This Friday 6th November we look forward to welcoming new families and parents of children who will be joining Nursery and Reception in September 2027 in our EYFS Open Day 9.30am -11.30am.
Please pass this on to any families you know who have children who will be turning 4 or 5 years old between September 2027 - August 2028.

Here is a list of key dates for your diary the next few weeks:

Friday 6th November	EYFS Open Day 9.30-11.30am
Wednesday 11th November	Diwali Assembly (Hazel Class) 2.45pm
Thursday 12th November	Spooky Disco 5.00pm-6.30pm
Monday 16th November	Anti Bullying week Odd Socks Day

Best wishes,
Ms. Child and Mrs. Davison

School Applications:

The application window is still open for Reception places. Current Nursery parents can make an application for a Reception place at Broad Oak using the links below:

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.

Star of the Week:

The following children received Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly on 22.10.26:

Elm - Vinny, Pine - Issa, Ash - Zidan,
Hazel - Ayah, Beech - Amelia, Rowan - Kaleb,
Spruce - Norah, Aspen - Maysa.

The following children received Star of the Week in our Celebration Assembly on 05.11.26:

Elm - Bobbie- Rae, Pine - Mayar, Ash - Felix W,
Hazel - Lulu, Beech - Aron, Rowan - Ameesha,
Spruce - Yusuf, Aspen - Mikey.

Attendance:

Our attendance target for this academic year is **95%**. Our whole school attendance figure for the year to date is **94.3%**

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95% W/E 16.10.26:**

Elm - 97%, Ash - 97%, Hazel - 99%,
Rowan - 95%, Spruce - 99%.

The following classes had attendance above our school target of **95% W/E 09.10.26:**

Oak - 95%, Elm 98.5%, Pine 95%, Ash - 96%,
Hazel - 96%, Beech - 98%, Rowan - 98%,
Spruce - 98%, Saplings 95%.

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 03.11.26

KS1 Anaya (Ash)

LKS2 Anaya (Hazel)

UKS2 Yusuf (Rowan)

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:



Rowan class have been exploring 3D installations in Art, learning how artists use space, shapes and materials to create imaginative works. They have enjoyed designing and creating their own unique installations, showing fantastic creativity and artistic flair.









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Last half term, Pine enjoyed exploring the forest and taking part in a scavenger hunt. They used natural materials to create artwork, made leaf rubbings and built dens with friends. The term ended with a campfire, toasted marshmallows and singing campfire songs.









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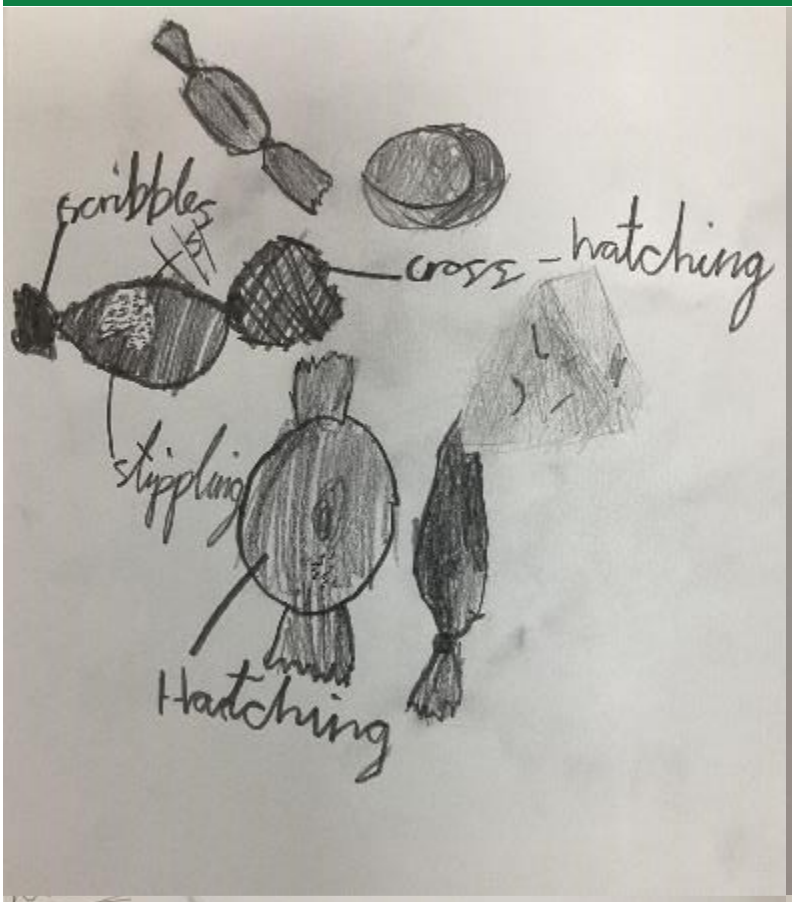


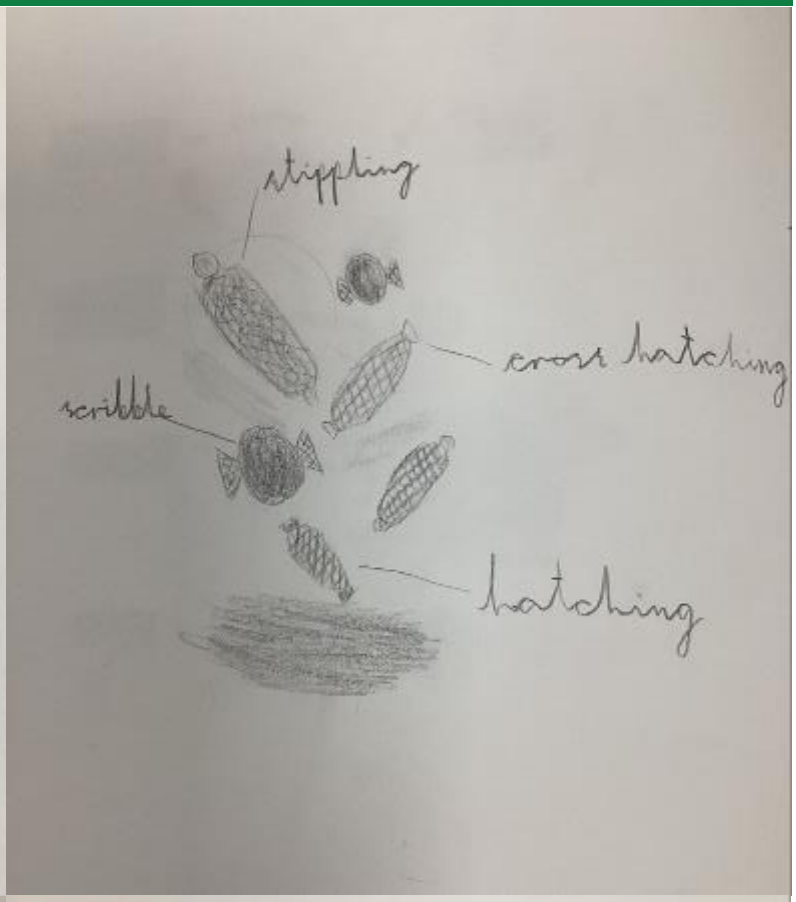


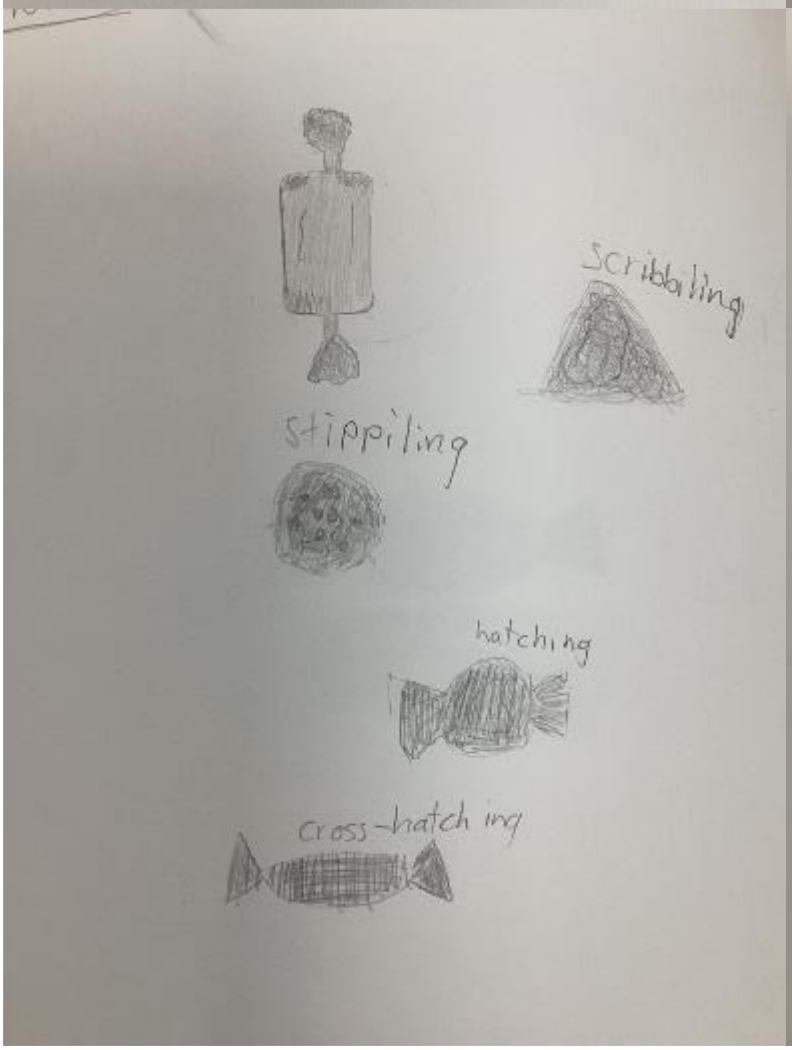


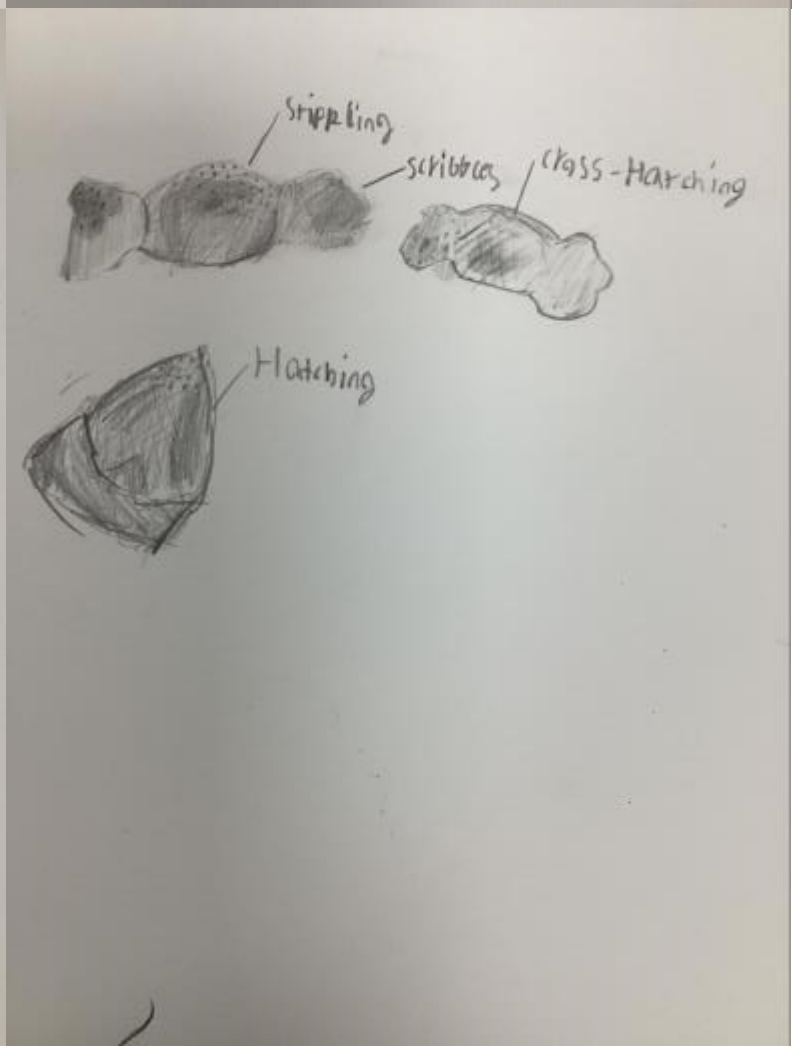
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During the first term, Beech class have been exploring sketching in art. They have developed their drawing skills by experimenting with different techniques, marks and shading, taking inspiration from the work of an artist known for his detailed drawings of cakes and sweet treats.





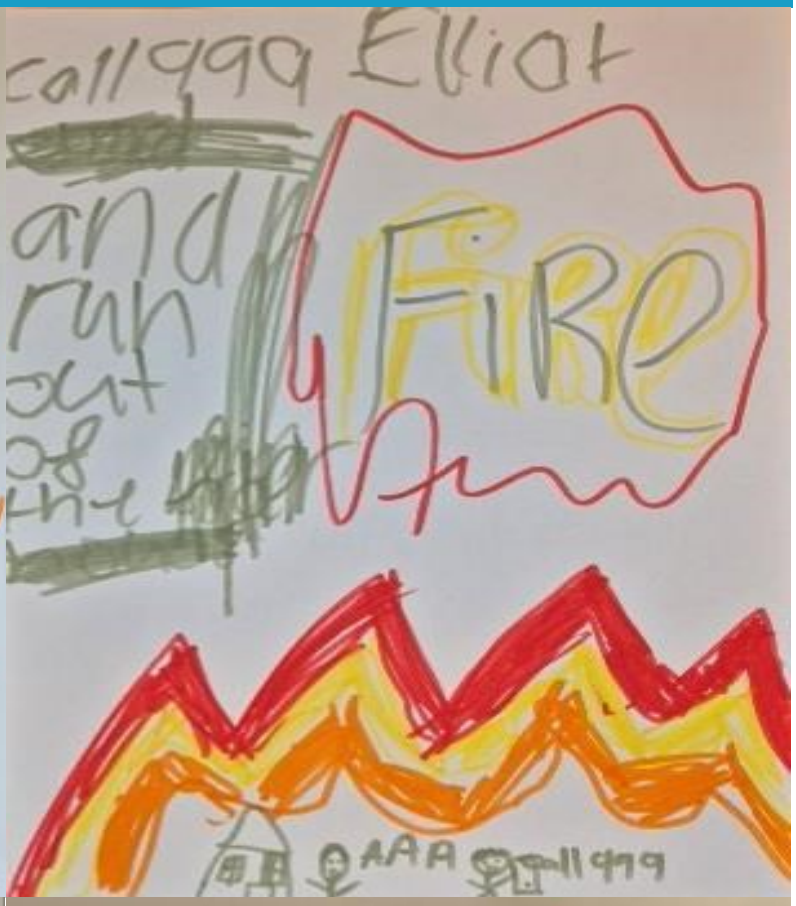




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Saplings have had a great first week back to school. We have been looking at fire safety in the lead up to Bonfire night and the children designed their own posters. In cooking, we made some sparklers using chocolate and sprinkles. The children loved them!









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and **Instagram**
(@broadoakps).



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

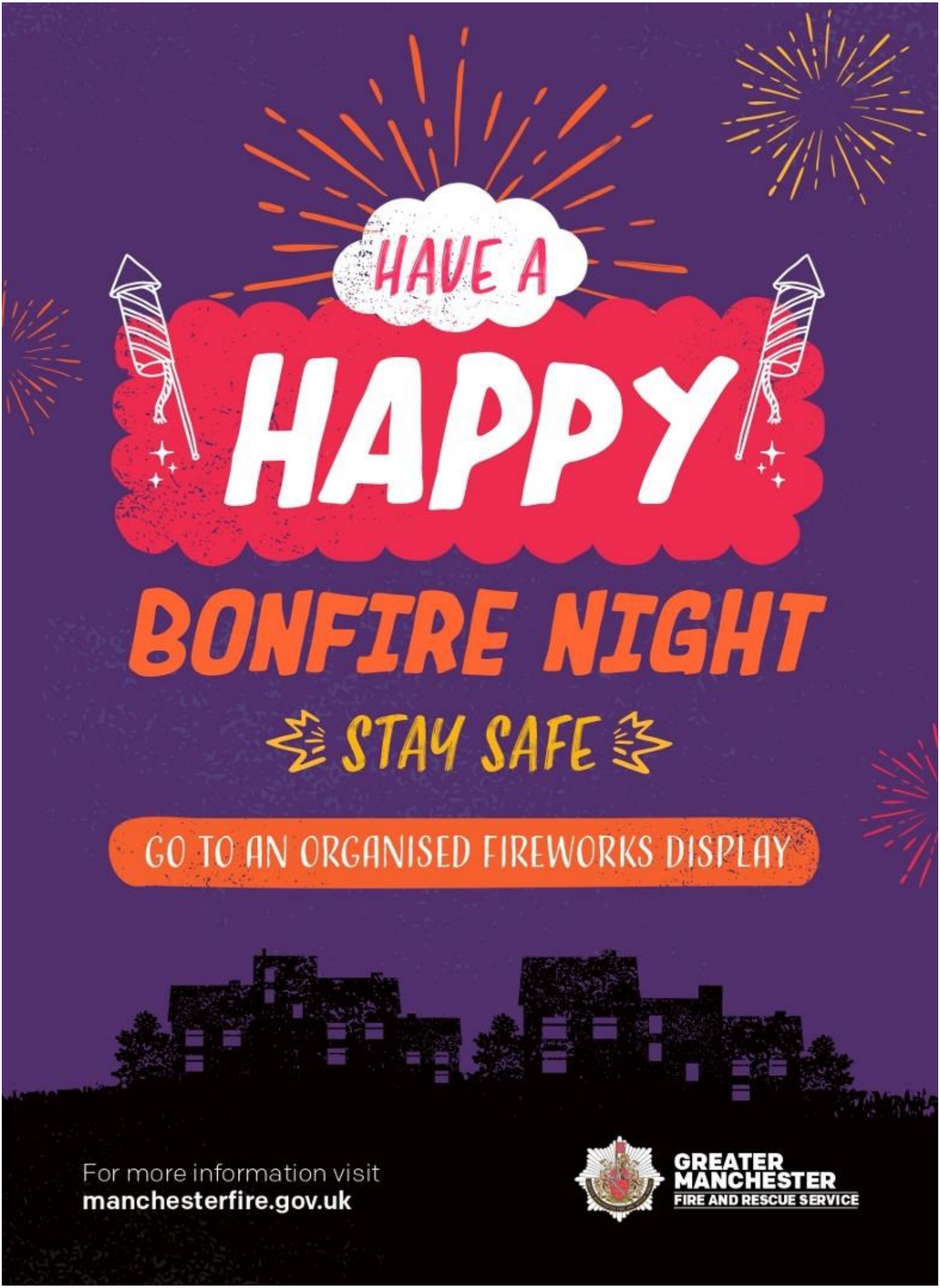
Location *BROAD OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL*
Broad Oak Lane, East Didsbury, M205QB

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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HAPPY
BONFIRE NIGHT
STAY SAFE
GO TO AN ORGANISED FIREWORKS DISPLAY
For more information visit
manchesterfire.gov.uk
GREATER MANCHESTER
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Please help us to keep your community safe by:

Only attending organised bonfire/ firework events

Reporting unofficial bonfires on public land

Calling us to safely dispose of unwanted fireworks

Follow the firework safety code

FIREWORK SAFETY CODE

- **Buy fireworks marked UKCA or CE**
- **Keep fireworks in a closed metal box and use them one at a time**
- **Read and follow the instructions on each firework**
- **Light the fireworks at arm's length with a taper and stand well back**
- **Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks**
- **Never return to a firework once it has been lit**
- **Never put fireworks in pockets or throw them**
- **Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves**
- **Keep a bucket of water nearby at all times**
- **Alcohol and fireworks do not mix and may lead to injury**
- **Keep pets indoors**

For safe disposal of illegal or unwanted fireworks call Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service on

Freephone 0800 555 815

To report unofficial bonfires on public land contact your Local Authority.
For information about Halloween and bonfire safety visit

manchesterfire.gov.uk