



BRIDGEWATER NEWS

Welcome Back

Summer Term 2 2025



A warm welcome back to all our families

Promoting strong attendance

One of our key focus areas at Bridgewater this year is to improve school attendance as last year we did not reach our target of 96% across the whole school. We have seen an improvement this year and I am pleased to confirm that we are moving closer to **our 96% target and whole school attendance was 95.5% by the end of Summer 1** (this does not include Nursery and some Reception children who are not of Statutory School Age).

We have had a number of instances where school have not been informed of the reason as to a child's absence and despite our efforts we have not been able to contact parents to confirm why their child is not in school. This has resulted in school staff having to make a home visit. Please can I politely remind all parents to contact school **EACH** day of their child's absence to ensure the register can be updated accordingly and we are following our safeguarding duties.

We also have some children who are persistently absent (falling below 90%) missing out on important aspects of their education. These cases are closely monitored and managed by our Education Welfare Officer Jo Lindsay. We do our utmost to support families to improve attendance and ask that you speak to us directly if there are any reasons as to why your child is not attending school regularly. If parents do not engage with this process, fines and court proceedings may follow.

Class	% Attend
NN	91.5
R1	91.7
R2	90.8
Year 1 AK	93.3
Year 1 BR	96.2
Year 2 CL	96.5
Year 2 DG	95.8
Year 3 AH	95.1
Year 3 LT	95.5
Year 4 RS	95.6
Year 4 GW	94.8
Year 5 KS	94.4
Year 5 FF	96.8
Year 6 JW	95.6
Year 6 KO	96.0

A copy of our Attendance policy is available on our school website. [Policies | Bridgewater Primary \(bridgewaterprimaryschool.co.uk\)](https://bridgewaterprimaryschool.co.uk/policies)

Staff update

As I informed you last term, I have been asked by the Local Authority to support another primary school in Salford (Cadishead Primary) as Executive Headteacher. I am splitting my time equally between each school - 2.5 days each week. While I am not on school premises, Mr Tien-Rhimes will lead the school.

Mrs Glendon returns from her maternity leave this half term and will be supporting the teaching and learning in Year 5 mainly – helping them to be ready for Year 6.

We say a fond farewell to Mrs Wroe, a teaching assistant in Reception - we wish Mrs Wroe all the very best as she leaves to commence work with Salford's Children's Services.

Summer Fair

We are hoping to repeat the success of previous Summer Fairs. On the afternoon of 17th July the children will be leading their own enterprising stalls and there will also be the usual Summer Fair fun – bouncy castles, tombola's, raffles and beat the goalie! Please note that all monies raised at this year's fair will go to our chosen charity Make a Wish Foundation. If you have any time and are willing to help/lead a stall please do let Miss Morris know.

Sports Day

We will continue to encourage competitive sport with our annual Sports Day. The children will take part in good old-fashioned events, such as the egg and spoon race and obstacle race, but will also try the sports of javelin, long

jump and sprinting. Please see the diary dates for your child's class date and times. Dates are, as always, weather permitting. Parent spectators are warmly welcomed. Further details will follow.

End of Year Reports

End of year reports will be sent out to all parents in July. Parents will also be given the opportunity to discuss this report with your child's class teacher during an arranged parent-teacher meeting.

Children's University

This half-term, children who have collected enough Children's University credits/hours for attending after-school activities or other accredited Children's University Clubs, will be attending Salford University for their Children's University graduation - this will be in the morning of the 2nd July. We are so excited to attend our eighth graduation and celebrate the achievements of the children. Invitations to the event will be arriving home to the children who have collected sufficient hours this academic year. Children who have not collected enough hours should not be disappointed, as all hours are carried onto the following year.

Transition to new class September 2025

To help the children make a smooth transition to their new class we will host a day where the children get the opportunity to meet their new teacher and discuss class rules and routines ready for September. We hope this helps to alleviate any anxiety children may feel over the summer about starting a new class. We will let you and the children know who will be teaching each year group later in the term.

Sun cream, water bottles and hats

We are hopeful that the sun will return and so we ask that children are provided with sun hats, sun cream and water bottles to help them stay safe and refreshed in the sun. Please ensure that children's names are on all their belongings.

Summer Uniform (April to July)

The following may be worn:

- Light blue polo shirt with grey shorts/trousers/skirt
- Blue/white checked dress
- Black school shoes

PE Kit

- Plain white t-shirt
- Plain black shorts
- Trainers (outdoor) or black pumps (indoor)

We encourage families to maintain our uniform standards. If you need any financial support in doing so, please see Miss Hopkins who is happy to help families access our uniform bank and funding via a Greggs uniform fund.

Lledr Hall

Our Year 6 children are off to Snowdonia to take part in a week of adventurous outdoor pursuits later this half term. We hope they all have a memorable time. Look out for some of their photos on our website and twitter page. Thank you to our incredible staff who give up their time to ensure that the children have the very best experiences!

Regularly updated info can also be found on the school website www.bridgewaterprimaryschool.co.uk

News and information is also updated via our Twitter page so please do follow us [@BridgewaterPS](https://twitter.com/BridgewaterPS).

If you have any question or queries, please do not hesitate to contact school and a member of our office team will be happy to help. Please email bridgewater.primaryschool@salford.gov.uk or call 0161 921 1191.

Mrs E Henderson
Executive Headteacher

Calendar of Events Summer Term 2 2025

June 2025				
2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
School reopens PE (Y6)	PE (N & Y1) 5KS Trip to Tatton Park	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3) 5FF Trip to Tatton Park	PE (Y4 & Y5) Nursery Trip to Imagine That! 1AK Visit to Walkden Library Parent Anxiety Workshop (Session 1) – 9:00am	4GW Swimming 1BR Visit to Walkden Library 6JW Trip to Greater Manchester Fire Training Centre
9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th
Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week				
PE (Y6) 6KO Trip to Greater Manchester Fire Training Centre	PE (N & Y1)	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3)	PE (Y4 & Y5) Y2 Church Experience St John's Community Centre Parent Anxiety Workshop (Session 2) – 9:00am	4GW Swimming
16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th
PE (Y6)	PE (N & Y1)	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3)	PE (Y4 & Y5) Nursery Class Assembly 9:00am Parent Anxiety Workshop (Session 3) – 9:00am	4GW Swimming Reception Trip to Imagine That! Tri Golf Competition St Edmund's (Selected Y5 & Y6 children)
23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th
World Wellbeing Week				
PE (Y6)	PE (N & Y1)	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3) Y3 Lowry Theatre Performance 1:30pm Lledr Hall Parents Meeting 2:30pm	Year 6 High School Transition Days	
			PE (Y4 & Y5) Lacrosse Finals Stoke-On-Trent (Selected children)	4GW Swimming "Riveting Reads" Workshop for Reception Parents & Carers – 8:45am
June/July 2025				
30 th	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th
PE (Y6) Y1 - Y6 Spelling Bee Competition Y3/Y4 Sports Day 1:45pm – 3:00pm	PE (N & Y1) EYFS (N&R) Sports Day 9:30am – 10:30am Y5/Y6 Sports Day 1:45pm – 3:00pm	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3) Children's University Graduation Ceremony Y3-Y6 (Salford University) New to EYFS Parent Meeting 4.30pm	PE (Y4 & Y5) Y6 Visit to St John's Community Centre (Moving on) Mother Tongue Celebration (Manchester University) Y1/Y2 Sports Day 9:30am – 10:30am	4GW Swimming Non Uniform Day (Summer Fair Donations)
7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th
6JW Lledr Hall		6KO Lledr Hall		
PE (Y6)	PE (N & Y1)	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3)	PE (Y4 & Y5) Y3 Trip to Martin Mere	4GW Swimming End of Year Reports Sent Home
14 th	15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th
PE (Y6) Zones of Regulation Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 9:00am	PE (N & Y1)	PE (Rec, Y2 & Y3) Y6 Leavers Trip	PE (Y4 & Y5) Summer Fair – 3:15pm THERE ARE NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS TODAY!	4GW Swimming Transition Day (Nursery – Year 5)
21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th
THERE IS NO PE OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK!		School Closed		
Y5 & Y6 Tie Exchange	Y6 Class Assembly – 2:00pm School closes for Summer			

School Reopens: **Wednesday 3rd September 2025**