



BRIDGEWATER NEWS

Welcome Back

Summer Term 2 2024



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 (average school attendance was 93% for 2022-2023). **Currently, our whole school attendance is 94.4%**

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 a police welfare check as per our school policy. 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 had a number of 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 Reeves. 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 proceeding may follow.

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

Staff update

Mrs Glendon commences her maternity leave this half term and Mrs Thornley will take over as Year 6SG lead teacher – we wish Mrs Glendon all the very best and look forward to her returning next year.

Summer Fair

We are hoping to repeat the success of previous Summer Fairs. On the afternoon of 11th July the children will be leading their own enterprising stalls and there will also be the usual Summer Fair fun – bouncy castles, tombolas, raffles and beat the goalie! Please note that all monies raised at this year's fair will go to our chosen charity Ronald McDonald House. If you have any time and are willing to help/lead a stall please do let Mrs 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 classteacher 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 afternoon of the 4th July. We are so excited to attend our seventh 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 2024

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

As the sun continues to shine (I hope), 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

Today, our Year 6 children are off to Snowdonia to take part in a week of adventurous outdoor pursuits. We hope they all have a memorable time. Look out for some of their photos on our website and twitter page.

Regularly updated information 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 0191 921 1191.

Mrs E Henderson

Headteacher

June 2024				
3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
	Y6JW Lledr Hall		Y6SG Lledr Hall	
School reopens PE (Y4)	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6)	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) Y4 trip to Bridgewater Canal	4RS Swimming EYFS Mobile Farm Visit
10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th
Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week & Y2-Y6 Digital Illustration Workshops				
PE (Y5 – change to normal day) Riveting Reads Workshop for reception parents/carers – 8:45am	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6) Official Multiplication Tables Check – 4DS	PE (Rec & Y3) Official Multiplication Tables Check – 4RS 6SG trip to Graystone’s Action Sports	PE (Y4 – change to normal day) 6JW trip to Graystone’s Action Sports Y5 trip to Tatton Park Y2 visit to St John’s Community Centre 6SG Triathlon Event – Irlam & Cadishead Leisure Centre	4RS Swimming Cricket Cluster – St Edmund’s
17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st
PE (Y4)	PE (N, Y2 & Y6) Y4 trip to Bridgewater Hall Y1/Y2 Sports Day - 9:30am Y3/Y4 Sports Day - 1:45pm	PE (Y3) Nur/Rec Sports Day - 9:30am Y5/Y6 Sports Day - 1:45pm	PE (Y5) Reception trip to Imagine That!	4RS Swimming Reception Heights & Weights Non Uniform Day (Summer Fair Donations)
24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th
Y1 - Y6 Spelling Bee Competition		PE (Rec & Y3) Y1 Local Walk of Area	Year 6 High School Transition Days	
PE (Y4)	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6)		PE (Y5) Nursery Class Assembly – 9am	4RS Swimming
July 2024				
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
PE (Y4)	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6) Y3 Trip to Pooles Cavern	PE (Rec & Y3)	PE (Y5) Nursery trip to Blue Planet Aquarium Children’s University Graduation Ceremony Y3-Y6 (Salford University) Y6 visit to St John’s Community Centre (Moving on) Riveting Reads Workshop for reception parents & carers – 2.30pm	4RS Swimming
8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th
PE (Y4) New to EYFS Parent Meeting 4.30pm	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6)	PE (Rec & Y3) Y3 Ukulele Performance – 2:30pm	PE (Y5) Summer Poetry Assembly – 9:00am Summer Fair – 3:15pm THERE ARE NO AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS TODAY!	4RS Swimming End of Year Reports Sent Home
15 th	16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th
PE (Y4) End of Year Choir Performance - 3:30pm	PE (N, Y1, Y2 & Y6)	PE (Rec & Y3) Y4 Art Exhibition for parents – 2:30pm Y6 End of Year Meal & Bowling trip End of Year afterschool club Ukulele Performance - 3:30pm	PE (Y5) Y6 Art Exhibition for parents – 2:30pm	4RS Swimming Transition Day (Nursery – Year 5)
22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th
THERE IS NO PE OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK!				
Y5 & Y6 Tie Exchange	Y6 Leavers Assembly School closes for Summer	School Closed		

School Reopens: **Wednesday 4th September 2024**