

23rd July 2019



# Bridgewater Summer 2 Newsletter



## A note from Mrs Henderson

As another year comes to an end, I would like to thank all the staff, children, parents and friends of Bridgewater for their continued support - it is you that makes Bridgewater a truly special place to work, learn and play. We say a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6 pupils and wish them the very best in their future studies. I hope all our families have a fantastic summer break and we look forward to welcoming you back for another successful year at Bridgewater in September.

This year's School Council members have been amazing. They have helped with our fund raising, been the voice of their class members and ambassadors for our Emotionally Friendly Schools status. We recently raised an amazing £344.20 for the bereavement charity Once Upon a Smile and they helped to organise our ever successful Summer Fair. It has been a pleasure to work alongside them this year and I wish them every success in their new school year. Mrs Morris.



This term a number of children got to attend Salford University, where they celebrated their hard work and commitment to after school clubs this year. At the University, the children were able to take part in a graduation ceremony and receive a certificate for their exceptional achievements. They thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon graduating!



## Important Dates next half term:

**4th September 2019:**  
School reopens

**6th September 2019:**  
Year 4 Swimming Begins

**26th September 2019:**  
McMillan Cake Sale

**7th October 2019:**  
Governors Sub-committees Meeting

**9th October 2019:**  
Year 4 Harvest Experience

**17th October 2019:**  
Science Workshops Rec-Year 6

**18th October 2019:**  
School Closes for Half-Term

## Good bye and Good Luck!

Miss Mercuri who is moving to Dubai

&

Miss Bentley-Dawson who is moving to  
a position closer to home



We are delighted to have received a Gold Award again this year for our sports provision. Thank you to Mr Hargreaves for leading this work.



## Baby News



Congratulations to

Miss Duffy who gave birth to a little boy called Joseph

&

Miss Moreno who gave birth to a little girl called Lucia

# Nursery

Nursery have had a very fun filled half-term with learning about pirates and under the sea including our class trip to the Blue Planet Aquarium and presenting what we have learnt in our wonderful assembly. Mrs Maloney and the Nursery staff are very proud of all the children who stood up, shared their work, spoke out, acted parts of a story and sang along to some of our favourite songs with such a big audience! Super stars showing they are ready to for a new and exciting year in Reception too!



# Reception

What a fantastic final half-term we have had in Reception! The children did brilliantly in Sports Day and we are all very proud of their hard work and determination. This term our topic has been about Under the Sea. We have enjoyed reading and writing about 'The Rainbow Fish' and 'Commotion in the Ocean'. As part of our topic, we have been learning some interesting facts about sea creatures. We had a fantastic time at Blue Planet Aquarium and we were amazed how large the stingrays and sharks were. The children have really enjoyed working with Strikers and have been brilliant developing their ball skills. The children are very excited to be going in to Year 1. They are excited to be working with their new teachers and learning new things.



# Year 1

Year One have had a fantastic half-term! As part of our Science topic on animals, we had an amazing time at Blackpool Zoo learning all about the different animals. We went on a walk of the local area linked to our Geography lessons and we saw lots of different types of houses. We were very proud of Year 1 during sports day as they were great team mates and tried their hardest. We have really enjoyed working with Mrs Berry, our visiting artist, each week creating some amazing Art work. We were also very proud of our children during their Phonic Screening check, the children were so excited and confident when completing the challenge. We hope you all have a lovely Summer!



# Year 2

What a busy half-term Year Two have had! We've been continuing our learning of 'The Seaside in the past' and linking this with our English text of 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'. Within this we've used some drama activities to help us write persuasive adverts and instructions on how to make the best lighthouse sandwich. In Maths, we've been practicing our times tables and playing lots of quick fire games to ensure we know them off by heart.



As part of our Science work, we have planted our own radish seeds and luckily they have started to sprout. Hopefully they will continue to grow so we can eat our own radishes. We now know plants can grow from either seeds or bulbs.



In Art week we got really creative and used our sewing and collage skills to create ice-creams and underwater creatures. We have also been lucky enough to visit Church this half-term and we spent time exploring what is inside a church. As well as this, we have been busy practicing for our class assembly to show off all of our amazing learning. We really enjoyed our trip to the beach we had a great day!

# Year 3

What a busy half-term Year 3 have had! We have been learning all about what makes our Earth angry, finding out about volcanoes, tornadoes, tsunamis and earthquakes. In Science, we have been learning about rocks and fossils. We enjoyed our trip to Poole's Cavern and got to see different types of rocks in the cave. We had lots of fun during Art Week, where we created 3D waves, tsunami prints and twirling tornadoes. On transition day, we enjoyed visiting our new teacher and are looking forward to being in Year 4!



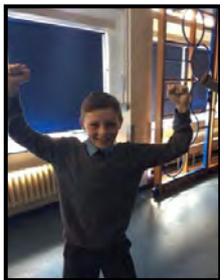
# YEAR 4

Year 4 have had an excellent summer term. In Science, we have enjoyed learning about animals and plants in our local area and the highlight for us was when we went to Blackleach Country Park to observe and sketch animals in their own habitat. We had a great day! In Geography, we found out lots about Manchester and just what a busy, important and fun city it is to live or work in. We used persuasive language to get people to come and visit our amazing city and we enjoyed performing our class poem to an audience. We completed a survey and analysed the results and we were really excited to have our transition day!



# Year 5

This half-term has been an extremely busy one. The children have completed some wonderful pieces of work during Art week. They have produced some beautiful paintings, clay master pieces, stained glass window designs and sketches based on their topic of 'Medieval Britain'. Both classes created emotive diary entries and poetry about the plague to display with their art work. In Science, the children have been learning about forces. They particularly enjoyed designing and creating parachutes to explore air resistance. In Maths, Year 5 have continued with their superb resilience and commitment to their learning. A group of children from both classes have taken part in bikeability with very successful pass rates. Miss O'Connor and Mr Hargreaves would like to wish their Year 5 classes a wonderful, relaxing and fun Summer holiday.



# Year 6

This half-term has been very enjoyable! After Year 6 completed their SATs they have had lots of creative learning. The term began with a visit to Lledr Hall for a residential trip to North Wales. They had a fantastic time and really made us proud with their courageous approach to all of the activities. They went gorge walking, mountain climbing and spent the day looking for sea-life at the beach. It was really amazing. In school, they have also enjoyed lots of practical activities in Maths, Geography and Science, using problem solving approaches. This half-term, they have also been lucky enough to experience numerous workshops such as mindfulness, Romeo and Juliet and road safety. Finally, they have demonstrated their sporting abilities during our PE sessions, which have been delivered by qualified cricket and karate coaches. We will be sad to see Year 6 leave Bridgewater but wish them every success in the future!



**School reopens on Wednesday 4th September 2019.**