



Newsletter: 6th February 2026

Message from the Headteacher

What a wonderfully busy week it has been in school!

We were delighted to receive a heartfelt thank you from Oxfordshire Animal Sanctuary following last week's charity pet food donations. Your generosity has made a real difference, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who contributed.

Thank you also to all the parents who supported our maths meeting and joined the classroom sessions with the children this week. We hope you found the experience helpful and informative. The meeting PowerPoint can be found on our website under the Parent tab for anyone who would like to revisit the information. The link is also below.

In Early Years, the children enjoyed a fantastic People Who Help Us dress up day. We had police officers, nurses, vets, teachers and many more wonderful helpers filling the classrooms—it was a joy to see their enthusiasm and imagination.

Key Stage 2 had an inspiring visit from author Peter J Murray, who shared insights into the writing process and introduced his exciting Mokee Joe book series. The children were thoroughly engaged to get reading and left buzzing with ideas.

Across EY and KS1, classes have also been taking part in Swindon Festival of Tomorrow science workshops, all building toward our upcoming Science Week and Discover Day planned for Term 4.

Today, we have enjoyed our Term 3 Art Discovery Day, focusing on art across different cultures. You are warmly invited to visit your child's classroom at the end of the day to see what they have been working on and to admire their artwork.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Maths Open Morning

Thank you to everyone who attended our Maths Open Morning on Thursday. It was wonderful to see so many of you coming into school to work alongside your children. If you were unable to attend and would like to see the Power Point that was shared at the start of the day, you can click on the link.

<https://bridlewood-primary-school.secure-primariesite.net/helping-at-home/>

Our Core Value this term is

Honesty

Our Assembly Theme this term is

Justice

House points for this week!

Blunsdon: 119



Liddington: 127



Silbury: 162



Uffington: 167



Well done to Uffington for being this week's winners.

SCHOOL WEBSITE / FACEBOOK PAGE

Need to find out what is going on in class? Can't find your copy of the newsletter? Want to view the latest gallery?

You can find all this on: www.bridlewoodprimaryschool.org.uk or [Facebook page](#)

Diary Dates

06/02/26	Art Discovery Day - view the artwork from 3.15pm in Y1-6
09/02/26	Y5/6 Mary Poppins Performance at Abbey Park School
10/02/26	Year 4 Class Assembly 9am
11/02/26	Year 5 Class Assembly 9am
12/02/26	Meet TPAT Mental Health Team 1 - 3.30pm in the school hall
12/02/26	Y5 Plas Pencelli Teams meeting 4.30pm
12/02/26	PTA School Disco
13/02/26	Y2 Roald Dahl character day
13/02/26	Nursery and Reception Library Visit
13/02/26	Last day of Term 3
23/02/26	Inset Day - School and Nursery Closed
24/02/26	Start of Term 4
24/02/26	Girl Guiding/Scouting Uniform for Thinking Day
02/03/26	Y2 Cricket Festival
03/03/26	Class Photos
04/03/26	Parent consultations - school finishes at 1.20pm, Nursery open as usual
05/03/26	World Book Day (dress up) and Poetry Slam
10/03/26	Y1 Warwick Castle Trip
10/03/26	Year 2 Class Assembly 9am
17/03/26	Junior Voice Festival 7.30pm
20/03/26	Y4 & Y5 Watermill Theatre Trip
27/03/26	Last day of term - school finishes at 1.30pm and Nursery open for morning session only (until 11.40am)
13/04/26	Start of Term 5

Valentine Disco Reception –Y6

Reminder that the PTA disco is taking place on **Thursday 12th February 2026**.

Tickets need to be purchased by Tuesday 11th February. Please see [letter](#) sent to parents for further information and how to purchase a ticket. Copies of the letter are also available from outside the school office.



Come meet the TPAT Mental Health Team



Find out what we do and how we support students



The Park Academies Trust



On the day there will be:

- Games & activities to support your mental health
- Support information and signposting
- Opportunity for questions and answers

Fitting in is about blending in, whereas belonging is about being seen and valued for your authentic self, even with imperfections.

Location: School hall

Date & Time: 12/02/26 1 – 3.30pm

To find out more, speak to: Mrs McLaughlin



Take part in Children's Mental Health Week at home or with your community group!

Children's Mental Health Week is taking place from 9 - 15 February 2026. Our official free resources are now available to download for anyone wanting to take part as a family or a community group!

This year's theme is **This is My Place** and we're encouraging families and community groups to support their children and young people to feel a sense of belonging.

See how you can take part in Children's Mental Health Week whether you want to get involved with your family or as part of your community group.



As part of our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) programme, the children have been having a fantastic time exploring all areas of play—including our much loved woodland!

To ensure they can take full advantage of these opportunities *comfortably* and *safely*, we kindly ask that every child has a **spare set of clothes** in school. This may include:

- A spare top and trousers
- Socks

Having these items in school means your child can freely enjoy the mud and all the creative play experiences on offer—without any worry about getting wet or dirty.

Thank you for your support in helping us make outdoor play open, joyful, and inclusive for all children!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Thinking Day

You may be aware that in Girlguiding and Scouting there is a special day on 22nd February called Thinking Day or Founder's Day. On this day all members of Girlguiding and Scouting celebrate their founders, Lord Baden-Powell and his wife, Lady Baden-Powell, both of whom were born on 22nd February.

This year, 22nd February falls on a weekend and tradition is that members wear their uniform on that day, to shout out about Girlguiding and Scouting, and to show the world that both organisations are still very much alive and going strong in the 21st Century!

Therefore on Tuesday 24th February we invite children who are members of Girlguiding/Scouting to wear their uniform to school.

If your child has PE on this day, please ensure they have appropriate clothing/footwear.

Scouts



BRADON FOREST SCHOOL

SPRING OPEN MORNINGS 2026

We would like to invite families of Year 5 and 6 pupils to our Spring Open Mornings:



**THURSDAY 12 AND FRIDAY 13
MARCH 2026
9.15am - 10.30am**

Booking is essential via:

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/
bradon-forest-school](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/bradon-forest-school)



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