

Bradworthy Academy
Tuesday 2nd December 2025

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all well.

It's hard to believe it is December already! Christmas always seems to sneak up on us way too quickly and we've got a lot of great things planned to squeeze into the next couple of weeks.

Christmas Party Day

This Thursday the 4th December, our fabulous PTA have organised our Christmas party day for the children. If you haven't seen the poster already, we have attached it to the back of this newsletter.

This year, for the first time, we will be welcoming Wonderstruck for the day. They are a local company who specialise in science shows and workshops. They have worked all over the world and will be with us for the day to put on a whole school science show (with a Christmas theme) followed by workshops for both Key Stage One and Two.

In the middle of the day, we will be stopping for a bring and share lunch. Please see the attached poster with information on what your child needs to bring with them.

This day will also be a non-uniform day where, ideally, the children are wearing a Christmas jumper with a £1 donation towards Save the Children.

Christmas Dinner

This Friday we will be serving our annual Christmas dinner where we will be decorating our hall and putting on a party atmosphere for the children to enjoy.

Thank you to everyone that has returned their dinner slips to the office. If you haven't done this already, please could we ask that these are returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Children are of course perfectly welcome to bring a packed lunch if they wish. If they do so they will eat with everyone else and won't miss out on anything.

Please note that the day of our Christmas Dinner is **not** a non-uniform day.

Key Stage One Nativity

Rehearsals are well under way for our Key Stage One nativity play which will be happening next Wednesday at 11am and I know the children are going to put on a fantastic show.

You should have received a letter already saying what part your child will be playing and what sort of costume they will need. If you haven't, please ask a member of staff in your child's class to find out.

As we have fewer children in Key Stage One this year, we have decided to just do the one performance. This said, we still have just over 60 children in classes one and two and if each child has a couple of adults watching them, that gives us a healthy crowd of over 100 people.

We won't be issuing tickets for the nativity however we would be very grateful if you would make sure you return the slip that you've already received so that we know how many people will be attending the performance. This will help us a great deal when setting the hall up.

James Pond and The International College for Evil Super-Villains

Our Key Stage Two Christmas Musical will be done in true Bradworthy fashion again this year with what I'm sure will be three brilliant performances. The first one will be on the afternoon of Tuesday the 16th December at 2pm followed by two evening performances on Wednesday and Thursday at 7pm.

Without giving too much away, this year's storyline is about the main character James Pond who has the ambition of becoming the most evil person in the world. It has been written by Richard who has been in school pretty much every day helping the children prepare.

Rehearsals are also well underway and despite all of the hard work that's involved, I think it's fair to say that everyone is having a really good time preparing. The children have thrown themselves into everything and it's wonderful to see such a positive attitude and to see them getting so much from the experience. The play is the sort of thing that they will remember forever and experiences like these are so important for our pupils personal development.

Letters went out recently with information regarding costumes and tickets etc. If you haven't received one of these, please give the office a shout and we will be able to provide you with another one.

Please also make sure that you let us know if you would like any tickets and for which performance as we will be allocating tickets in the next couple weeks.

Christmas Carol Concert

We will be heading down to the church on the last day of term which is Friday 19th December for our carol service. It would be great if you are able to join us at 2pm for a few carols before we break up for the Christmas holidays.

Wraparound Care

Our consultation for wraparound care finished on Friday and we had 60 responses which is great thank you.

The results of the consultation are as follows.

1. Do you require breakfast club? Yes 38 No 22
2. Monday: 7:30am start – 6 8am start – 27
Tuesday: 7:30am start – 7 8am start – 27
Wednesday: 7:30am start – 5 8am start – 27
Thursday: 7:30am start – 6 8am start – 27
Friday: 7:30am start – 5 8am start – 27
3. Average price parents would be willing to pay for breakfast club was £2.73
4. Do you require after school club? Yes 55 No 5
5. Monday: Till 4:30pm 10 Till 5pm – 9 Till 5:30pm – 14 Till 6pm – 7
Tuesday: Till 4:30pm 10 Till 5pm – 10 Till 5:30pm – 18 Till 6pm – 5
Wednesday: Till 4:30pm 10 Till 5pm – 10 Till 5:30pm – 18 Till 6pm – 2
Thursday: Till 4:30pm 10 Till 5pm – 11 Till 5:30pm – 18 Till 6pm – 3
Friday: Till 4:30pm 6 Till 5pm – 12 Till 5:30pm – 15 Till 6pm – 3
6. The average price parents were willing to pay for after school club was £3.50.
7. What are the biggest barriers/concerns for your family in accessing wraparound childcare? The biggest concerns were linked to affordability and availability of spaces.

As we said in our email prior to the consultation, we really do not want to introduce a charge for our wraparound care. Offering free before and after school clubs is something that we have done in school for a long time and something that we have been extremely proud to offer. We know how helpful this has been for you as parents and some of your kind comments in the questionnaire show how well received it has been.

I think it is important to note that our teachers have been running our wraparound care on a voluntary basis for a number of years and we are extremely grateful to them for this. Due to the ever-increasing demands placed upon our teaching staff, we feel it is no longer reasonable to ask them to continue to volunteer their time to run this service and therefore from January we will be introducing a small charge for our before and after school clubs to keep the service going.

From January, our before school club will be running daily from 7:40am to 8:40am and will include a breakfast of toast or cereal for all pupils. Children are able to arrive at any time from 7:40am using the normal code for the front gate and enter the school through the club room door. This club will be £3 per child attending*.

Climbing club will still be running on Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8am for children in Year Three and will be free of charge. This will also be the case for the climbing session on Friday morning for our squad climbers.

Our normal after school club will still run till 5:30pm and will be accompanied by our usual range of extra-curricular activities. To ensure that our participation numbers in these clubs do not drop, the first hour of all after school clubs including normal after school club between 3:30pm and 4:30pm will be free of charge.

To make things as straight forward as possible, we will be stopping just about all of our extra-curricular clubs at 4:30pm with the exception of gymnastics on Tuesdays and climbing on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Stem and climbing will be changing to specific year groups each night with Wednesday nights for Year Four, Thursday nights for Year Five and Friday nights for Year Six.

From 4:30pm till 5:30pm there will be a £3 charge for all children using our normal after-school club*.

We are currently in the process of registering to become a Tax-free Childcare Provider and will let you know more about this soon.

In summary:

- Breakfast Club will run from 7:40am to 8:40am. It will cost £3* and will include a breakfast.
- All clubs between 3:30 and 4:30pm will remain free of charge
- Normal after school club will be £3 between 4:30pm and 5:30pm*.

(* Please note that this price is subject to the approval of our wraparound funding application which we are hopeful to be successful with.)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School			Year 3 Climbing 8:00 – 8:45	Year 3 Climbing 8:00 – 8:45	Squad Climbing 8:00 – 8:45
Lunch time	Girls Football	Football Year 3 and 4	Football Year 1 and 2	KS2 Multisports Year 3 and 4	Multi-sports Year 1 and 2
After School	Netball 3:30-4:30 Year 3,4,5,6	Cookery 3:30-4:30	Multi League 3:30-4:30 Year 3,4,5,6	Football 3:30-4:30 Year 5 and 6	STEM 3:40 – 4:25 Year 6
	Band 3:40-4:30 Year 5 and 6	Gymnastics (Pre Squad) 3:30 – 4:15	Band 3:30-4:30 Year 5 and 6	Athletics Running Club 3:40-4:30	Climbing 4:30-5:15 Year 6
	Magic Tots Dance Year R, 1, 2, 3, 4	Gymnastics (Squad) 4:30 – 5:15	STEM 3:40-4:25 Year 4	STEM 3:40-4:25 Year 5	
		Multi-sports 3:30-4:30 Year 1 and 2	Climbing 4:30-5:15 Year 4	Climbing 4:30-5:15 Year 5	

My Child At School App

We are going digital!

During the next couple weeks, we will be introducing our new My Child At School application for parents. This will enable you to order uniform, make online payments, message the school, report absences and sign permission forms amongst a number of other things.

We are just completing our last few bits of training and will be in touch shortly with more information.

Facebook

If you haven't already, please follow our Facebook page so you can keep up to date with all the things we are doing day to day and where we have been.

Just search for Bradworthy Primary Academy

Online Safety

Last Wednesday, we were joined for a whole school assembly by a local police officer Brad Ithildin who came in to speak to the children about online safety and it was great to see the children drawing on their classroom learning and talking confidently about how they can keep themselves safe online.

If you would like any support with how you can keep your child safe online at home, please check out the Internet Safety part of our school website under the children tab.

<https://www.bradworthyacademy.co.uk/internet-safety/>

Key Dates

- Christmas Party Day Thursday 4th December
- Christmas Dinner Friday 5th December
- Key Stage One Nativity Wednesday 10th December at 11am
- Key Stage Two Musical Tuesday 16th December at 2.00pm
- Christmas Carol Service Wednesday 17th December at 7.00pm
- Final day of term Thursday 18th December at 7.00pm
- First day back of Spring Term Friday 19th December – 2pm
- February Half Term Friday 19th December 2025
- Last Day Spring Term Monday 12th January 2026
- First Day Summer Term Monday 16th – Friday 20th February 2026
- Year Four Residential Thursday 2nd April 2026
- Year Three Residential Monday 20th April 2026
- May Half Term 6th - 8th May 2026 (2 nights)
- Year Five Residential 21st - 22nd May 2026 (1 night)
- Year Six Residential Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2026
- Last Day Summer Term 8th -12th June 2026 (4 nights)
- 29th June – 2nd July 2026 (3 nights)
- Thursday 23rd July 2026

**BRADWORTHY PRIMARY
ACADEMY
CHRISTMAS
PARTY DAY**

THUR 4TH DECEMBER

**FEATURING AN AMAZING SHOW
AND WORKSHOPS FROM**



WONDERSTRUCK
SCIENCE ON FIRE

A Bring and Share Lunch
(see below for details)



Save the Children.

**And don't forget to wear
your Xmas Jumper in
support of Save the
Children.**

£1 suggested donation

Normal pick up times

Bring and Share Lunch

Thurs 4th December

Please can each child bring along food to share from the list below into the school hall at drop off on the morning of the party. This will then be enjoyed together at lunchtime.

To ensure plenty of variety for the children to eat we have made a list of items and allocated them to each class to bring as follows:

Class 1 Crisps

Class 2 Sausage rolls, cocktail sausages or cheese savouries

Class 3 Vegetable sticks or chopped fruit (no banana and grapes to be sliced)

Class 4 Small plate of ham cheese or jam sandwiches

Class 5 Biscuits

Class 6 Cakes

The PTA will also be serving freshly cooked pizza.

Please let us know of any dietary requirements or food allergies asap

We request that all children bring a refillable water bottle for party day

Please label any containers with your child's name and class where possible so they can be returned at the end of the school day