

Friday 8th October



Website: www.broadoak.salford.sch.uk
Email: broadoak.primaryschool@salford.gov.uk
Twitter: https://twitter.com/Broadoak_PS

Reminder Secondary School Application Deadline

Could I please remind parents the deadline for application for secondary school places for Sept 2022 is fast approaching. The application deadline is 31st Oct 2021. Applications can be made online at www.salford.gov.uk/school-admissions-online

School Uniform

As we approach the winter, I would like to raise awareness of a challenge we are currently facing in school. Due to the government guidance regarding the need to keep classrooms well ventilated, we are having to have windows open. As the temperatures drop, I would like to inform parents that it is okay to send children with additional layers if required (i.e. vest, skins etc). We are also permitting children to wear an additional fleece, either a Broadoak one from McLellans or a plain grey/navy alternative.

Recruitment / Job Vacancies

We currently have a number of part-time support staff vacancies to join our team at Broadoak. We would appreciate you sharing these opportunities with your friends and family members. These include, Lunchtime Welfare Assistants, Assistant Cook and Relief Catering Assistant. Please see the school website for further details:

<https://www.broadoak.salford.sch.uk/information/job-vacancies>

National Poetry Day

On Thursday, we celebrated National Poetry Day in school - an annual mass celebration of poetry that encourages all to enjoy, discover and share poetry. This year's theme was Choice and across the school, children looked at and rehearsed a variety of different poems, rhymes and songs. We were able to discuss different types of poems along with their features and enjoyed discussing who their favourite poets are. It was lovely to see so many children bring in and share their favourite poems and books with their classes. Some children had even written their own poems at home and performed these to their peers - well done!

Respect & Courtesy for our Neighbours and Local Community

As a school, we acknowledge the importance of working positively with our wider community. An ongoing challenge for the school is the regular issues being raised by neighbours and parents regarding parking and driving habits on Fairmount Road. Instances reported include the following:

- Inconsiderate parking, both blocking driveways and on the zig-zag lines
- Driveways being used as turning points
- The mounting of curbs, risking injury to pedestrians
- Engines being left running for lengthy times
- Parking on the pavements making it impossible for pedestrians to walk
- Parking on the newly installed double yellow lines

Once again, I would ask that parents be considerate and mindful at all times of the impact that these behaviours can have on the residents. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

Dates for your Diary

18 th / 19 th Oct	Pedestrian training Y5 & Y6
20 th Oct	Pupil Flu Vaccinations
22 nd Oct	School Closes for Half Term

Cross Country Dates - Buile Hill **(See Friday 1st October Newsletter for further details)**

Dates	Race	Time	Distance
20th November	Y3 & Y4 Boys	9:30am	1000m
27th November	Y3 & Y4 Girls	9:40am	1000m
11th December	Y5 & Y6 Boys	9:50am	1500m
22nd January	Y5 & Y6 Girls	10:10am	1500m

Snacks in School

I would like to remind parents of the school's policy on snacks in school. All children in EYFS and KS1 are entitled to a fruit snack, provided by the nationwide campaign 'School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme'. Children in KS1 can also opt to have toast as an additional snack, payable via ParentPay. Within EYFS and KS1, children should not be bringing in any additional snack items. In KS2, children also have the option to buy toast and/or can bring in an additional 'healthy' snack item. These snack items may include a piece of fruit, a cereal bar (not chocolate based), a yogurt tube etc. Children should not be bringing in crisps, chocolate bars etc and if they do so, will not be allowed to eat them (i.e. will return them home). Could I also ask parents to avoid nut based snacks for break or as part of packed lunches, as there are children in school with nut allergies. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

World Mental Health Day

Today, we have celebrated World Mental Health Day across the school. The children have completed a range of activities to raise awareness of mental health and explored different methods to enhance their mental health and well-being. Thank you for all of the donations brought into school today - we have raised £327 for the YoungMinds charity.