



Braybrook Primary Academy

Head's Newsletter

1st May 2026

Dear parents and carers,

We have had another busy and exciting week at school, filled with enriching experiences and fantastic learning across all year groups. It has been wonderful to see the children so engaged and enthusiastic in their lessons, as well as making the most of some special opportunities.

On Wednesday, children in Reception and Years 1, 2 and 3 enjoyed a wonderful morning watching the Britten Sinfonia, who made another special visit to Braybrook. They performed their concert *The Tale of the Whale*, and some of our pupils had the exciting opportunity to share their own short musical compositions, bravely performing in the hall using their own "junk" instruments. It was a fantastic experience and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

In Reception, our green-fingered Jade class have thoroughly enjoyed their learning about plants and growing. At school, they have planted a wide variety of vegetables, including carrots, spring onions, tomatoes, courgettes, peas, beans and radishes, and are looking forward to watching them grow.

Our Year 1 class have been developing their creativity in art by creating 3D pictures of trees, using paper-folding techniques they learned in previous lessons. They have also been enjoying some fantastic PE sessions with our coach, Jake, from YDP.

Year 2 pupils have been building their confidence in measurement. Having worked on grams and kilograms, they have now moved on to measuring in litres and millilitres, applying their skills in a range of practical contexts.

In Year 3, the children have been busy geographers, using online research to find out where different fruits come from and how many miles they travel to reach the UK. They particularly enjoyed discovering how far some foods travel, and some pupils also used maps to locate the countries they researched.

Year 4 brought history to life earlier in the week by re-enacting the Battle of Bosworth. The children took on the roles of soldiers from the Lancastrian, Yorkist and Percy armies, with their two kings leading a dramatic battle that ended with Henry Tudor (Maxwell) being crowned king. It was an engaging and memorable way to understand how the Tudor reign began.

Our Year 5 children have been working on thoughtful self-portraits, combining their own images with positive words written by their friends. The finished artwork is fantastic, and the kind comments shared really highlight the strong friendships within the class.

Meanwhile, Year 6 have been working incredibly hard this week. In maths, they have impressed us with their ability to apply their arithmetic skills across a range of topics, including geometry, measures and complex word problems, showing great resilience and determination.

As we head into the long weekend, please remember that Monday is a Bank Holiday, and the school will be closed. We hope you all enjoy a restful and enjoyable extended weekend, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday.

Have a great weekend, Mr Gross and the Braybrook team



Achievements

Achievement award winners

1.5.26

Reception	Louie, Izabella and Daisy
Year 1	Raffael
Year 2	Evelina
Year 3	Elio
Year 4	Caleb
Year 5	Ronnay
Year 6	Amelia

Braybrook Achievement Cup winner

Britney Y5



Braybrook Brilliant Behaviour award

Kaia Y2

Weekly attendance winner

Whole school attendance is currently....94.8%

1st	Yr 3	99.3
2nd	Yr 2	98.9
3rd	Yr 6	97.1
4th	Yr 4	96.6
5th	Reception	95.2
6th	Yr 1	94.2
7th	Yr 5	93.5

Britten Sinfonia visit



Diary Dates

May

Monday 4th: Bank holiday (no school)

Monday 11th-Thursday 14th: Year 6 SATs

18th and 21st: Woodgreen animal shelter visits

Friday 22nd: Passport to the world

Monday 25th-Friday 29th: Half term

June

Tuesday 2nd: DLPT Diamond Day

Tuesday 16th: Y2/3 Sacrewell farm trip

Thursday 25th June: PTA event (coming soon)...save the date

Monday 29th: Y6 secondary transition evening (at the secondary schools)

July

Wednesday 1st: APDR review evening

Wednesday 1st-Thursday 2nd: Y6 secondary transition days

Friday 3rd: Sports Day

Wednesday 8th: Rock Steady concert

Thursday 9th: Year 6 leavers' show 1:30pm

Monday 13th: Garden Party (Y6 after school time TBC)

Wednesday 15th-Friday 17th: Year 6 Hilltop trip

Friday 17th: Reward day

Friday 17th: break up for summer