



BRADON FOREST SCHOOL

PARENTS' BULLETIN

FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2026



WHAT'S ON

Week 2	
Monday 21 September 2026	
Tuesday 22 September 2026	Nasal Flu Sprays (All Yrs) - Sports Hall Gallery
Wednesday 23 September 2026	
Thursday 24 September 2026	European Day of Languages (PIQ) Y5/6 Open Evening
Friday 25 September 2026	TD Day
Week 1	
Monday 28 September 2026	
Tuesday 29 September 2026	
Wednesday 30 September 2026	
Thursday 01 October 2026	Y11 Maths Challenge Abbeyfield Y7 Engagement Evening (6-7pm)
Friday 02 October 2026	

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

It has been wonderful to have our students back at Bradon Forest. The school has quickly settled into a really positive rhythm, and I have been so pleased to see the calm, respectful behaviour around school and the way our students are getting on with learning. Our Year 7 students have made a fantastic start and are settling into life at Bradon Forest really well.

Looking ahead, our focus is simple: great learning, strong foundations and a rich experience for every student. We want students to take pride in their work, while teachers check carefully that learning is understood. Alongside this, we will continue to strengthen the essentials of reading, writing and numeracy. Most importantly, we want every student's lived experience at Bradon Forest to be full of opportunities to learn in class, discover new interests at WHOOSH clubs and build positive relationships with respectful behaviour at the heart of it all.

Our Reading Tutor Programme goes from strength to strength and Numeracy Ninjas will be coming soon, providing further support and challenge each morning. Next week we will also begin rolling out our mobile phone pouches. We are really looking forward to students experiencing the benefits of phone-free learning and more opportunities to talk and connect with their peers.

Thank you, as always, for your support. It makes such a difference and the partnership between home and school is incredibly important. As we look ahead, I would love to hear your ideas about how we can build even stronger partnerships between parents, school and our wider community.

It promises to be a year of challenge and opportunity.

SCHOOL NOTICES

SCHOOL BUS ARRANGEMENTS

To ensure the safety of all students, pupils must travel only on the bus to which they have been allocated. As some buses are fully subscribed, travelling on a different bus can result in allocated students being left without a seat.

Please also note that students are only insured when travelling on their designated bus. Students who do not follow these arrangements may face consequences.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep the bus service safe and manageable.

MOBILE PHONE USE IN SCHOOL

A big thank you to all parents for supporting our school community with the introduction of the new mobile phone pouches, launching on Tuesday 22 September.

Staff are also following the school's approach to mobile phone use, helping to provide a clear and consistent message for our students throughout the school day.

SEND REFORM

Watch Cllr Jon Hubbard explain what SEND Reform means for Wiltshire families and how the local authority are working to improve support for children and young people: [Jon Hubbard - SEND Reforms - YouTube](#)

Wiltshire LA have created a dedicated page explaining:

- Why SEND Reform is happening
- What will change in Wiltshire
- What won't change
- How families will continue to be involved throughout the process

Read more: [SEND Reform - what this means for you and your child](#)

KEY STAGE 3 HOMEWORK TIMETABLE: TERM 1

YEAR 7						
w/c 07/09	w/c 14/07	w/c 21/09	w/c 28/09	w/c 05/10	w/c 12/10	w/c 19/10
English Maths Drama MFL Science	Design English History Maths MFL Science	Art English Geography Maths MFL RS Science	English Maths MFL Music PD Science	Design English History Maths MFL Science	Art English Geography Maths MFL RS Science	Optional

YEAR 8						
w/c 07/09	w/c 14/07	w/c 21/09	w/c 28/09	w/c 05/10	w/c 12/10	w/c 19/10
Art English Geography Maths MFL RS Science	English Maths Drama MFL Science	Design English History Maths MFL Science	Art English Geography Maths MFL PD RS Science	English Maths MFL Music Science	Design English History Maths MFL Science	Optional

YEAR 9						
w/c 07/09	w/c 14/07	w/c 21/09	w/c 28/09	w/c 05/10	w/c 12/10	w/c 19/10
Design English History Maths MFL Science	Art English Geography Maths MFL RS Science	English Maths Drama MFL Science	Design English History Maths MFL PD Science	Art English Geography Maths MFL RS Science	English Maths MFL Music Science	Optional

Tea & Talk

NEW MEET UP DATES!

A friendly meet up for parents who may need a non-judgemental space to share a cuppa. Especially for those who may feel alone or have a child struggling at home or school.

What to expect?

Help/Advice from local educators who work with SEND children. Support. Understanding. Connection.

When & Where?

The Wild Fig - Cricklade High Street
Fridays 11.00am
18th of September
16th of October
13th of November





Online Course

Understanding School Anxiety

Early Signs of Emotionally Based School Avoidance

Two Dates Available:

Monday 12 October 10:00-12:00

Thursday 26 November 10:00-12:00

**Booking
closes 7
days before
course start
date**



- What is Emotionally Based School Avoidance?
- Strategies to support with school based anxiety and worry
- Practical ways to support school attendance
- Educational Psychologist available to answer questions

**For bookings and enquiries: scan the QR code,
call the FaCL team on 01225 770478 or contact
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk**

Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years old on 31 August. They must have a Wiltshire postcode and meet certain residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick one of the following criteria: individual income less than £25,750 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to go into work, now or in the future.

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