

Dates for your Diary

- **Tuesday 20th January** - F2 Writing Meeting, 9 - 9.30am
- **Wednesday 21st January** - PINS Project Parent Meeting, 9 - 10am
- **Wednesday 21st January** - Brushfield Parents Evening, 3.30 - 6pm
- **Thursday 22nd January** - Year 3 Anglo Saxon Workshop
- **Tuesday 27th January** - Nursery Parents Play Workshop, 9 - 9.30am
- **Wednesday 28th January** - Bobbers Mill Parents Evening, 3.40 - 6pm
- **Thursday 29th January** - Year 5 RE Day
- **Thursday 5th February** - Lime Class Book Taster, 2.20 - 3.15pm
- **Thursday 12th February** - F2 Stay & Play, 9-10am
- **Thursday 12th February** - Year 4 Police Presentation
- **Thursday 12th February** - Last Day before Half-Term
- **Friday 13th February** - INSET Day
- **Monday 16th February** - Half-Term
- **Monday 23rd February** - Back to School



January 2026

Colder Weather

When colder weather is forecast, please remember to take care on the paths and roads.



We only grit essential paths inside school and not the whole playground or AstroTurf area so please take extra care especially in the mornings.



If snow is forecast, school will make every effort to stay open. Please check emails and the school website for information rather than phoning the school office.

Children should dress sensibly in the cold weather. They should be wearing a coat, school jumper, hat and gloves. Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled clearly with their name.



Parents Evenings

We have parents evenings coming up in the next few weeks:

Brushfield - Wednesday 21st January, 3.30 - 6pm

Bobbers Mill - Wednesday 28th January, 3.40 - 6pm

The booking system is now open for both evenings, please log in to the [Arbor app/Parent portal](#) to book your appointment.

The booking system will close the Monday before each sites parents evening; Brushfield - 19th January at 11.59pm & Bobbers Mill - 26th January at 11.59pm.

If you need any help booking an appointment then please contact the school offices.

Contact Information



If you were lucky enough to have received a new phone over the festive period and your number has changed, please make sure you update your contact details.

This can be done on the Arbor App/ Parent Portal or by informing the school office. It is important we have up to date numbers for parents so that we can contact you in an emergency.

Please ensure we have the right address and email too. If you need to update your home address we will require a recent proof of address to update our records.

For more information visit the school website at:

berridgeprimary.com

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The Beehive - Bobbers Mill's Enhanced Provision Room

The children in our Beehive enjoy lots of different activities and experiences. Here we are... cooking, playing, getting wet (a favourite!), blowing bubbles, puzzling, splashing and gardening...to name just a few.



Parent Survey

Parent opinion is important to us at Berridge Primary school. In the next few days we will be emailing out our Parent Survey. Please can we ask you to take a few moments to fill it in..

The survey gives parents the opportunity to express their views on school and allows us to gather crucial feedback which helps us to identify any further areas for improvement.

Parents will also be given the opportunity to complete the survey at the Parents Evenings coming up in the next few weeks

Class Newsletters

Class letters were sent out to parents by email at the start of term. If you did not receive an email containing your child's class letter, then please contact the school office. We may need to update your email address.

Class letters are also available to view on the school website:
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Class Attendance Percentages - Celebrating Great Attendance

Every Friday the class with the best weekly attendance is announced to a loud cheer in assembly, this happens every week at both the Brushfield and Bobbers Mill Sites.

The tables below show the attendance percentages for both sites over the last 4 weeks.

Well done to all the classes who have achieved high attendance.



Bobbers Mill	Percentage Present
Larch	95.1%
Sycamore	94.6%
Chestnut	93.9%
Holly	93.4%
Willow	91.8%
Birch	91.4%
Oak	87.8%
Hazel	87.3%
Ash	85.5%

Brushfield	Percentage Present
Elder	96.9%
Maple	95.8%
Lime	94.9%
Elm	94.6%
Pine	94.6%
Aspen	93.6%
Cedar	93.5%
Hawthorn	93.4%
Whitebeam	93.3%
Rowan	92.0%
Beech	91.4%
Yew	90.7%

Improving Attendance

At Berridge Primary School we know how important regular attendance is for your child's learning and development.

However, minor illnesses can sometimes lead to unnecessary absences.

That's where **Pharmacy First** can help!

- Pharmacists can suggest treatments that do not need a prescription for a range of conditions.
- Most pharmacies can also offer prescription medicine for some conditions
 - No appointment is needed
- Private consultation rooms are available for confidential discussions
- Treatment may be over-the-counter medicine or prescription medication, depending on the clinical needs of the patient

Find your local pharmacy [here](#)



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Focus Page - Year 5



In the Autumn term, we learnt about soldiers in the Roman army, including their uniforms and equipment. Following this we made our own Roman sandals.

First of all, we made a paper template by measuring around our foot and deciding on a style. We made sure it fitted our foot before progressing to the next stage.



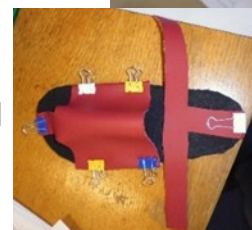
Next, we carefully cut our template apart into the sole and the upper, including straps. This created the pattern pieces for the sandal. We drew around the pattern pieces onto card (for the upper and lower sole) and onto leatherette (for the upper and straps).



We chose coloured felt for the inner and glued onto the upper sole. Studs (paper fasteners) were inserted into the lower sole. The upper and straps were glued onto the upper sole.

These were held in place by clips until the glue was dry.

Finally, the upper and lower soles were glued together, again held by clips. When they had dried, eyelets were inserted and the sandals were finished with laces.



Here are some of our finished sandals:



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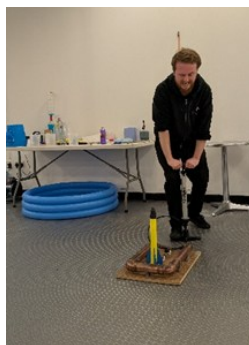


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In September, Year 5 visited Magna Science Adventure Centre. The day began with an exciting forces workshop and demonstration – the highlight for most children seemed to be the rocket launches and explosions.

Afterwards, the classes had time to explore the different zones (Earth, Fire, Water & Air). There were plenty of hands-on activities in each zone to educate and engage everyone. Some children managed to get quite wet in the water zone!



Lime Class Book Taster Event...

On Thursday 5th February, Lime class will be holding a book tasting event where parents can come along to look at a wide range of books with their children. The event will start at 2:20pm. Look out for more information soon.

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