

Dates for your Diary

- **Tuesday 25th November** - F2 Parents Maths Meeting, 9 - 9.45
- **Tuesday 25th November** - Year 2 Community Garden
- **Thursday 27th November** - Year 2 Crafty Read, 9 - 9.45am
- **Wednesday 3rd December** - Year 6 SATs Meeting, 9am
- **Thursday 4th December** - Year 2 Choir at Radford Care Group
- **Wednesday 10th December** - Jolly Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day
- **Wednesday 10th December** - Christingle Service at St Stephen's Church, 6 - 7.30pm
- **Friday 12th December** - EYFS Performance, 9.15 - 10.15am
- **Monday 15th December** - KS2 Music Concert
- **Tuesday 16th December** - Bobbers Mill Christmas Party
- **Thursday 18th December** - Brushfield Christmas Party
- **Thursday 18th December** - F2 Stay & Play
- **Friday 19th December** - Last Day of Term
- **Monday 5th January** - Back to School

The Nest - Brushfield's Enhanced Provision Room

The Nest children did some Diwali painting where they enjoyed using the paints to design their lamp or rangoli pattern.



November 2025

Children in Need

Thank you to **everyone** for their donations on the day. The children really enjoyed dressing as bright as stars.....and they all shone!!!



We are very pleased to have raised a fantastic **£425.53** for a very worthy cause.

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.



For more information visit the school website at:

berridgeprimary.com

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Jolly Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day Wednesday 10th December



We are inviting the children to wear a Christmas jumper or a colourful jumper with non uniform. Please do not feel the need to buy anything in particular, the children are welcome to come to school wearing non-uniform.

We are asking for a suggested £1 donation towards the school fund which is used to purchase equipment for the children.



School Christmas Dinner is also on Wednesday 10th December. Please can we remind parents to return the Christmas Dinner order form if they haven't already done so.

At the Bobbers Mill Site the school dinners are free, at the Brushfield Site all school dinners are £2.90 and need to be paid for in advance via the Arbor App or Parent Portal (unless you are entitled to Free School Meals).

Year 5/6 Mixed Football Tournament

This term, nine year 6 boys and girls attended Nottingham Schools FA Year 5/6 Mixed Football Tournament at Gresham Sports Park.

There were 19 teams playing in this tournament which were split into 4 groups. Berridge did very well in the pouring rain, we won 1 game and lost two BUT they only lost each one 1-0. Everyone had fun even though they were wet through.

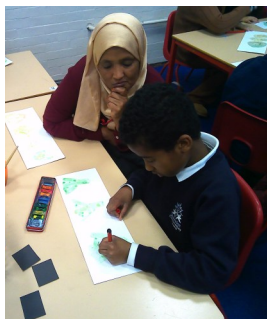


Year 4 Reading Café Elm Class



In October, Elm class hosted a Reading Café and invited parents to join them. The class read "*Hug Me*" by *Simona Ciraola* and then everyone did a fun activity related to that book.

Thank you to everyone that came, both children and parents had a fantastic time!



Road Safety Around School



Please can we ask parents to talk to your children about the importance of road safety. We have many children who cross the roads around school without looking.

With the nights drawing in and children being less visible in dark clothing it is even more vital that children practice good road safety.

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Autumn Term 2025/2026



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
Ash	94.9%
Sycamore	93.2%
Chestnut	92.9%
Willow	92.2%
Larch	91.7%
Birch	91.5%
Hazel	90.5%
Holly	87.7%
Oak	86.8%

Brushfield	Percentage Present
Pine	97.2%
Lime	96.2%
Beech	96.0%
Rowan	96.0%
Cedar	95.7%
Elm	95.3%
Hawthorn	95.3%
Yew	93.5%
Maple	93.5%
Elder	93.2%
Aspen	91.8%
Whitebeam	91.2%

Attendance & Unauthorised Leave

School has high attendance expectations and aims for the children to have **96%** attendance. School will only authorise leave in term time for exceptional circumstances. All leave must be requested prior to booking using an extended leave request form which is available from the school office or on the [school website](#).

Any leave must be discussed and authorised before travel arrangements have been made. Leave taken without approval will be recorded as unauthorised and may result in a Penalty Notice. Children taken out of school for long periods of time may have their school place withdrawn. Holidays which includes family visits should be taken outside term time in the 13 weeks allocated to school holidays.

The **government guidance**, from August 2024 - The first time a Penalty Notice referral is made for term time leave or irregular attendance, the fine will be £160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days, reduced to £80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days.

The second time a Penalty Notice referral is made the fine will be £160 per parent per child, with no price reduction available.

The third time a referral is made for term time leave or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to Magistrates' Court.

Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent per child.

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Speech and Language Advice Line



Nottinghamshire Healthcare
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**NEW OPENING HOURS
FROM AUGUST 2025**

(For parents and carers of children aged 0-19
and for young people aged 16-19,
who would also like to call us for advice.)

**Do you have any questions or concerns about
your child's talking or communication?**

**We are happy to help,
please call the advice line on:**

CALL NOW

0300 123 3387 OPTION 1

NOTTINGHAM CITY AND NOTTINGHAMSHIRE ONLY

Tuesday 9am to 12.30pm

Thursday 9am to 12.30pm

Opening hours may change, please contact your school, health
visitor or look on our website for more information.

www.nottinghamshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/specialist-childrens-speech-and-language-therapy



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Focus Page - Year 3



We spent an afternoon immersing ourselves in Stonehenge. We investigated how they could move such enormous stones. We made models and art work showing Stonehenge at dawn.



We covered tables with material to create a 'cave'. We chose our final design of our cave painting to do in the cave. We also drew around our hands, because this is how prehistoric people are believed to have signed their paintings. Using the library topic books, we found and recorded interesting facts. We made 'Stone Age paint' from berries and husks, which we used to create drawings.



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