BERRIDGE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

"Working together to achieve success"

November 2026

Curious Resilient Cooperative

Reflective Respectful Responsible

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Tuesday 24th November** – Year 3 & 4 Cinema Trip
- **Tuesday 24th November** – Year 2 Parents Reading Meeting, 9 – 9.30am
- **Thursday 26th November** – Flu Vaccinations
- **Tuesday 1st December** - F2 Parents Maths Meeting, 9 - 9.30am
- **Wednesday 9th December** – Jolly Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day
- **Thursday 10th December** – EYFS Performance, 9.15 - 10.15am
- **Friday 11th December** – KS1 Performance at St Stephen's Church, 9.30 - 10.30am
- **Friday 11th December** - EYFS Performance at Bobbers Mill, 2.30 - 3.15pm
- **Tuesday 15th December** - Bobbers Mill Christmas Parties
- **Wednesday 16th December** - Nursery AM Christmas Party, 9 - 11am
- **Wednesday 16th December** - Christingle Service at St Stephen's Church, 6 - 7.30pm
- **Thursday 17th December** - Brushfield Christmas Parties
- **Friday 18th December** - Last day of school before Christmas Holidays
- **Monday 4th January** - Back to School

For more information visit the school website at: berridgeprimary.com

INSET DAY CHANGE

One of our INSET days has changed from Monday 25th January to Monday 18th January

JOLLY JUMPER AND CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

Wednesday 9th 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 9th 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 £2.95 and need to be paid for in advance via the Arbor App or Parent Portal (unless you are entitled to Free School Meals).

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Children in Need & Diwali Parties

On the day the children took part in joint Children in Need & Diwali celebrations.

The children really enjoyed their Diwali parties and looked fantastic in their party clothes!!

Thank you to everyone for their donations on the day.
We are very pleased to have raised a fantastic **£362.89** for a very worthy cause.

The Nest - Brushfield's Enhanced Provision Room

The Nest children have been enjoying lots of exciting and creative activities...

writing.....



exploring shapes.....





cooking....

and getting 'Slimy!'



Year 5 & 6 Football Tournament

Last term a group of year 5 & 6 children were chosen to represent Berridge at the Nottingham Schools FA Football tournament.
The result wasn't what they wanted on the day but the football coaches; Mr Goodship & Mr Richardson are incredibly proud of the all children who all tried really hard and never gave up!



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.

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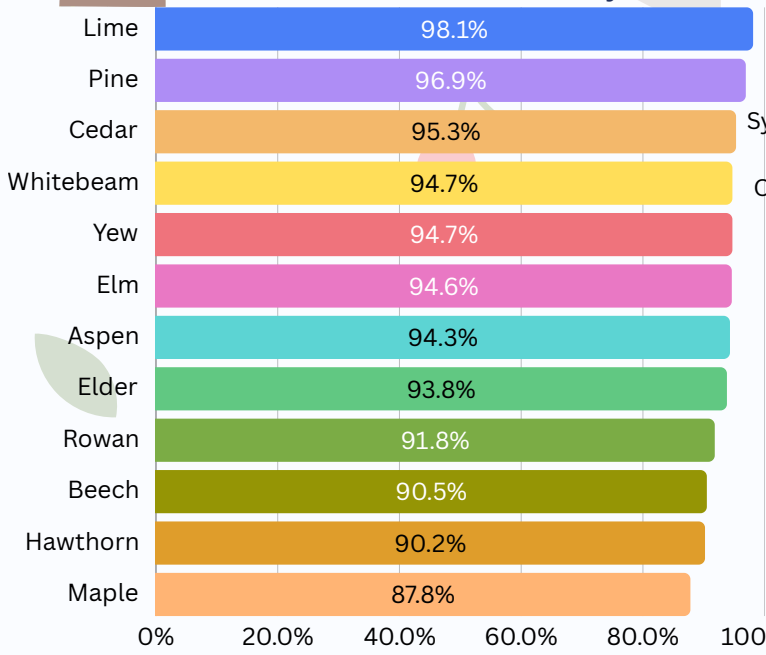
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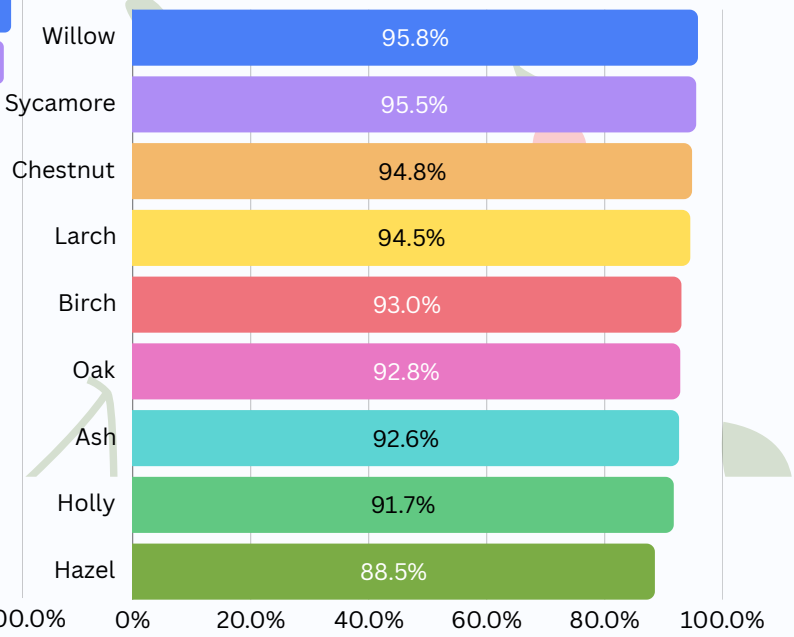
Autumn Term 2026/2027

Celebrating Great Attendance

The class with the best weekly attendance is announced to a loud cheer in assembly every Friday. Classes in KS2 get a trophy to keep in their room for a week and in KS1 it is a Teddy bear. There is a display chart of the best class attendance in the hall, for all the children to see.

At the end of every half term the year group with the best attendance gets to vote on a treat to have on the first Friday afternoon back after half term.





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.

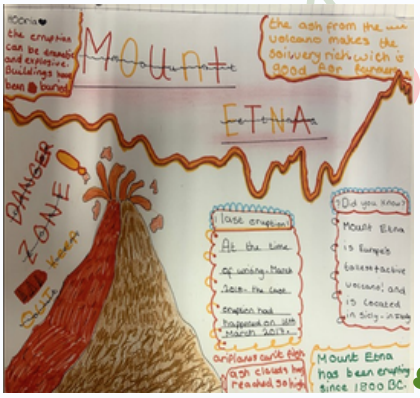
The third time a referral is made for term time leave or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to Magistrates' Court.

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

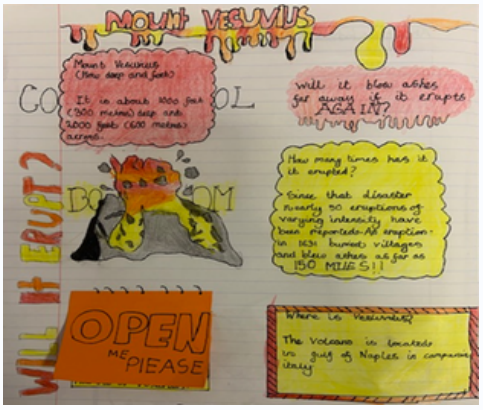
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FOCUS PAGE - YEAR 6

In the autumn term, year 6 learnt about the Earth in our geography topic 'What Lies Beneath'. In this topic, we took a closer look deep beneath the Earth's surface to find out about its physical features (which can cause natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanoes), as well as understanding time zones and being able to pinpoint places on a map using lines of longitude and latitude. Whilst learning about volcanoes and how they are formed, we investigated different volcanoes in the world and became familiar with the eruption of Mount Vesuvius (79 B.C.E) which completely covered Pompeii (Italy) in ash, rock and pumice. It was HORRIFYING!



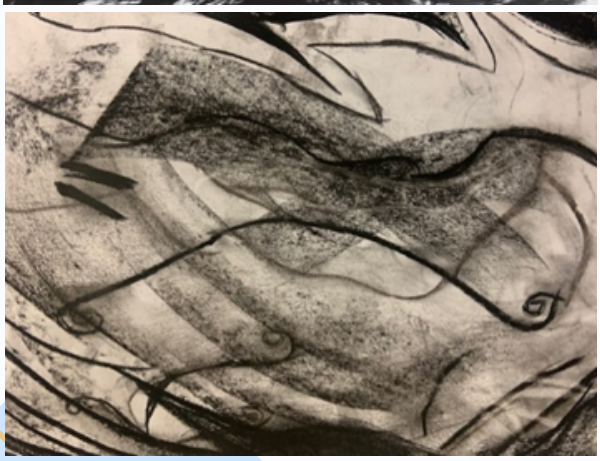




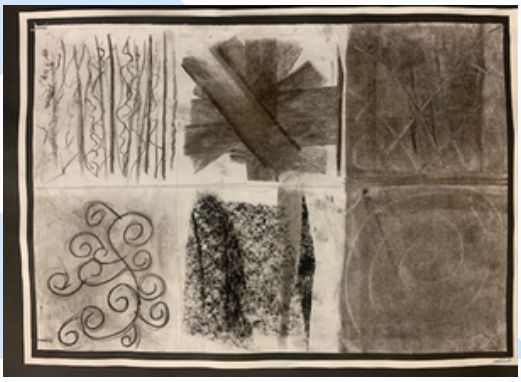


At the start of the autumn term, we looked at the dark story of 'Hansel and Gretel' by Neil Gaiman.

This version was illustrated by Lorenzo Mattotti who managed to capture the dark mood of the tale through his erratic use of black and white lines within his images.



For our art unit, 'How do we create mood in a piece of art?', we explored and investigated the medium of charcoal. We practised creating marks on a page; we explored different ways to manipulate the charcoal with smudging and shading techniques and created observation drawings of trees. All of these sessions were leading up to a final piece where we created our own image (using the techniques taught) which would convey the mood of the story.







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RATTLE & ROLL PERFORMANCE

Ofsted Registered

Christmas Holiday Clubs

Open to all children aged 3 to 11 years, with funded places available for children in Reception to Year 6

We are running X days of Christmas parties which will include lots of festive activities, games, craft and a disco!

FREE places available for those in receipt of targeted free school meals



RUNNING AT

- Claremont Primary School
- Huntingdon Primary
- Portland Spencer Academy

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Christmas

MINI PHOTO SESSION

DATES AND SLOTS AVAILABLE

11-1PM 21ST NOV | 4-6PM 27TH NOV

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