



BROAD SQUARE NEWSLETTER

20th December 2024

Overall Attendance: 93%
Early Years Winning Class: N - 91.6%
Years 1 & 2 Winning Class: 2B - 94.6%
Years 3 & 4 Winning Class: 3S - 97%
Years 5 & 6 Winning Class: 5R - 96%

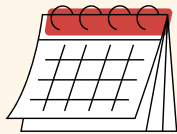


Dear parents and carers,
I cannot quite believe I am writing the last newsletter of 2024! What a fantastic year it has been at Broad Square. Autumn term has been a busy but very successful one and I want to thank all parents, carers and wider family members for your ongoing support and friendship.

We know that the run up to Christmas is busy however it has been wonderful to see the children enjoy so many festive events. All of the Christmas performances have been a joy to watch. I thank all staff members for their hard work that goes in behind the scenes in preparing for them. At the start of December our children enjoyed Christmas movie night, thank you to all parents for your support with this fundraising event. Along with our Christmas raffle we have raised much needed money for our school fund. This is used to subsidise school trips and visits as well as other resources that benefit the children throughout the school year. Today the children have enjoyed their Christmas parties. With our younger children even getting a visit from Father Christmas himself.

Reminder to apply for reception places for September 2025. If you have a child in our nursery or a different nursery please be sure to apply for a place in our reception via www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions. Finally I would like to wish all of our children, families, staff and governors a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you,
Mrs Foden, Headteacher



Dates for the Diary:

School finishes at 1:30pm on Friday 20th December

Back to school - Monday 6th January 2025

(More dates will be added as we come back in the new year)





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Broad Square Reading

Christmas reading challenges:

Make a den to read a book in

Read a book about Christmas

Create a puppet show for a favourite book

Read a story by the Christmas tree

Play charades using book titles

Read whilst drinking a hot chocolate



Spot light on curriculum

Our children have been offered many clubs to enrich our curriculum both in and after school. Next half term you will be informed what is on offer for the children. Many clubs will continue with new ones added. Please note we will commence the new timetabled clubs from **Week 2 (13th January 2025)**.

Children who bought passports will be asked to return these after the break, so please have these prepared and ready for the big count. All pupils who attended clubs last half term in school will tallied up and added to their totals.

If you have any questions please see Mrs McNamara. We can't wait to see the Y2 and Y6 pupils who graduate at the end of the year!

It seems there has been lots of designing and making in our school this week with our children creating some outstanding designs.

Mental Health and Wellbeing: Christmas

Maintaining positive mental health for your child over Christmas starts with creating a calm and predictable environment.

Stick to familiar routines where possible, and prepare them for any changes with clear explanations or visual aids. Keep sensory stimulation manageable by offering breaks from busy or loud environments, and provide a quiet space for self-regulation.

Encourage activities that they enjoy and help them feel calm, like reading, drawing, or using sensory toys. Most importantly, celebrate in a way that suits your child's needs, focusing on connection and comfort rather than perfection.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you,

Mr Singleton.



Talk about why you believe this story became news across the UK this week.

Why do people send cards?

Other than the price of stamps, why do you think less cards are being sent?

What other ways can you show people that you care?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eDml2EBWTho>

Let's look at this week's story 

It is thought the number of cards sent this festive period will be lower than in previous years, as stamp prices have increased. The price of a first-class stamp rose by 30p in October, to £1.65. This rise (the fifth increase in less than three years) has also led to fears that the money reaching charities through card sales will be lower this year.

UN Rights of a Child

We can choose our own thoughts, opinions and religion. These may impact if and how we choose to celebrate Christmas.



How can we show others we care?



Rule of Law

Royal Mail provides rules and guidance so people can send cards successfully. These include adding an address and stamp to the card. If these rules are not followed, there are consequences, which may lead to the card not being delivered or the recipient having to pay.

Protected Characteristics 

Some people send cards to celebrate events as part of their religion or belief. Nobody should be treated unfairly because of their religion or belief.

