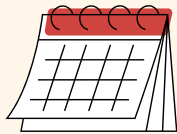




# BROAD SQUARE NEWSLETTER

24th January 2025

**Overall Attendance: 91.2%**  
**Early Years Winning Class: N - 96.7%**  
**Years 1 & 2 Winning Class: 2B - 94.2%**  
**Years 3 & 4 Winning Class: 4P - 95.7%**  
**Years 5 & 6 Winning Class: 5E - 92.0%**



## Dates for the Diary:

### Wednesday 5th February - SENCO

Surgery, drop in sessions with SENCOS in the portacabin 9am-11am

Friday 14th February - Own clothes day,  
theme 'Wear What you love'

**Friday 14th February - Break up for Half**  
term at 3:20pm  
Return to school



### **!! Important message!!**

Can I remind parents and carers that children should not be wearing jewellery for school apart from stud earrings or a watch if they choose. This is for Health and safety reasons. Thank you for your support with this.

Dear parents and carers,

It is Friday again, and it is STILL January.

Another successful week at Broad Square. I have lovely news to share: Miss Evan's baby girl safely arrived over the Christmas break, Lottie is the latest edition to our Broad square family and I am sure we would all like to pass on our love and congratulations.

I wanted to share with parents and carers that we are in the design process of changing our school PE kit. This aims to provide a smart, warm and appropriate kit for our children. This will be launched for September 2025 and I will be sharing with families as soon as it is complete.

A big thank you to those parents and carers who came to the year 6 SATs meetings, we have emailed out the notes and there is a final chance to order the CGP books through school until 7th February.

I ask for support from our parents and carers on two matters: We hope to start match funding in regards to our fundraising efforts. Match funding is a fantastic scheme whereby employers provide funding for organisations such as primary schools. If there are any parents or carers who work in organisations who would be interested in linking with us, please speak to me.

Secondly if there are any parents and carers who would be willing to accompany us on our school trips and visits, please speak to you class teachers. We always need volunteers to safely supervise these trips.

Have a lovely weekend, Thank you,  
*Mrs Foden, Headteacher*



# BROAD SQUARE NEWSLETTER

10th January 2025



## Broad Square Reading



Below are the 6 elements that will help children to develop a love of books and reading

- Being read to regularly
- Having books at home and at school
- Having a choice in what to read
- Finding time to read
- Having trusted help to find a book
- Making reading FUN!

At Broad Square we are passionate about reading and feel these 6 elements will help our children develop a life-long, life-changing habit of reading for fun, and all the benefits this brings.



## Spot light on curriculum

Year 5 have been involved in a 12 week online safety project with Ariel Trust. Send Me A Selfie, is a project which discusses themes around staying safe online, and introduces drama and Freeze Frames through activities and games.

We are very proud of our children who have enjoyed learning very important messages through drama. Parents were invited to watch our pupils present the work they have been doing. We look forward to our second class 5M on Monday at 2.30pm. Online safety is woven through our curriculum and we ensure our children learn these very important messages often in school. Please can we ask that you monitor your child's online activity to ensure they are keeping themselves safe.

National Online Safety is on Tuesday 11th February. We look forward to telling you all about what we get up to!

## Mental Health and Wellbeing

This weeks featured article is from Y6 ROCKET Champion Nancy, focusing on how to be more productive. I will definitely be trying some of these tips myself!

### How to be more productive

If you struggle to be productive try the 1\2\5 rule when doing something you feel demotivated to do. The 1\2\5 rule is were you try a task for 1 minute then 2 minutes then 5. By doing this everyday you get a task done in small sections with out taking up a lot of time in your day.

If the 1\2\5 method doesn't sound like something for you, you could start routines like reading the chapter of a book a day or start a journal that you could update everyday and talk about what has happened in your day. Journaling improves mental health and is widely recommended.

- Nancy



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

**What videos do you watch online?**

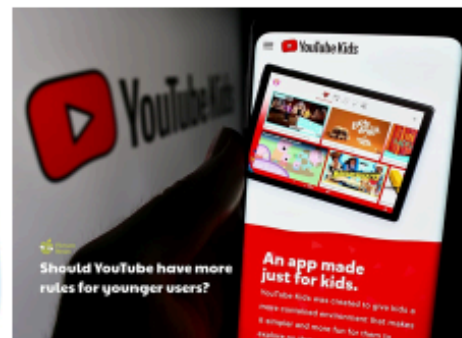
**How do you chose what videos to watch?**

**Do you think there should be more rules about what you can and can't watch? Why?**

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

**Let's look at this week's story** 

The UK government's culture secretary, Lisa Nandy, has written to video-sharing platforms, such as YouTube and TikTok, asking them to actively share more educational content for children. Nandy stated that while YouTube has improved children's content on its platform, it is not doing enough to make sure the content is easily seen by children.



**UN Rights of a Child**

We have the right to get information from the internet and other sources. Adults should make sure the information we get isn't harmful. Governments should encourage the media to share information from many different sources, in languages that everyone can understand.



**British Values**



**Rule of Law**

We often have rules for going online when we are at school or home. Rules are there to help protect us and keep us safe.

**Protected Characteristics** 

Sometimes there are age restrictions for online content. This is to ensure everyone can access the internet and feel safe whilst online, no matter their age.

