



Newsletter

Spring Term

Week 2

Calendar Dates

January

23rd National Handwriting Day

February

1st Stay and Play, coffee and cake, 3pm. Run by parents for parents

5th Red and Orange Base Parents invited into school at 2.30pm to see the superhero performance

6th Safer Internet Day

10th The start of Chinese New Year. If any of our parents would like to come into school and do an assembly or share about Chinese culture in class, please contact the office.

12th - 16th Half term, school closed

19th Return to school

21st Pop-up museum for Y1 and Y2 parents to come, view and vote for the children's park creations from Spring 1.

26th KS1 children visit to Kelham Island, linked to their topic. Information to follow

March

11th—15th Science week

11th Dress up as a scientist day.

13th Y2 online event with young women engineer of the year,

27th Easter events—stalls, raffle. Easter Bonnet parade at 3pm.

28th No after school club. School closes at 3pm for all children.

Attendance

Please ensure that your child is on time for school. Children can be brought into the yard from 8.10am. In the case of inclement weather, children may come straight into school for 8.10am.

Learning in school starts at 8.20am.

Previous weeks whole school attendance was 93.7% down 0.3%

A quote from our most recent Ofsted Inspection: 'Some pupils do not attend school often enough. They miss out on important learning, which hinders their achievement. Leaders should ensure that they continue to work with parents and carers so that they understand the importance of school attendance and the impact this has on pupils' learning.'

Messages from the Office

Letters this week - Flyer for guitar and piano

Lunch menu next week - Week 1

Vomiting and diarrhoea - Please can you keep your child at home for 48 hours after the last time they vomited or had diarrhoea. This is part of the Sheffield City Council policy.

We have a child in EYFS with a severe nut allergy. Please DO NOT bring anything to school containing or has traces of nuts.

Mrs Venables is now the contact for after school and breakfast wrap around care. She is in school Mon, Tue and Fri. Her email is mvenables@broomhill.sheffield.sch.uk. **For any emergency or on the day queries on Wed and Thur, please call the school.**

Clubs and Activities

Forest After School Club — This will restart on Spring 2 (February)

Choir - Tuesday, 3-3.30pm - in the hall

Martial Arts - Tuesday 3pm-3.45pm (in the EYFS unit) - for Y1 & Y2s only
email craig@xmartialarts.co.uk to book.

Gymnastics (Y1 & Y2 only) - Wednesday 3-4pm

Football (Y1 & Y2 only) - Monday 3-4pm

Yoga -To book click the link and choose 'Broomhill Infant School': <https://www.kidsloveyoga.org.uk/book-your-childs-place>

French - Thursday, 3-4pm - In Green Base

Food for life

Broomhill has achieved the Bronze School Award



Attendance Counts

Moments Matter - Attendance Counts

From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child #AttendanceCounts.

I am certain that you will have seen the recent news around attendance.

As I'm sure you are aware, the attendance here at Broomhill Infant School is below the national average and is something that the Ofsted inspector has named as an area for improvement.

As such, I would like to draw your attention to some of the more recent information below, and appeal to our parents and carers to carefully consider the impact of taking your child out of school during term time. A prolonged period of absence is likely to heighten a child's anxiety about attending school in the future.

The NHS and the Chief Medical Officer say it is usually appropriate for parents and carers to send their child / children to school with mild respiratory illnesses, including general cold symptoms like a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/letter-to-school-leaders-on-mild-illness-and-school-attendance/letter-to-school-leaders-on-mild-illness-and-school-attendance>

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Broomhill Infant School is committed to improving attendance and therefore we have expressed our interest in joining one of the new initiatives known as an Attendance Hub. These hubs will be rolled out across the country and will essentially be led by senior leaders in schools with strong attendance. The hubs will share their successful strategies and resources for improving attendance and we will join half-termly virtual hub meetings to discuss progress and challenges.

I do hope that I have your support and that we can work together to make the most of your child's learning opportunities.

Jane Barnes