

**Reminder** - If you need newsletters or policies translated, please contact the office.

The following dates are a small fraction of the term and diary dates the school have arranged. Please check our website for future dates, events, insets and term dates:

[BROOM BARNS PRIMARY SCHOOL » DIARY DATES](#)

FRI 17TH APRIL 2026, 1:15PM - 2:15PM	MINI POLICE START IN Y5
TUE 21ST APRIL 2026	URBAN STRIDES VISITING THE SCHOOL
FRI 1ST MAY 2026, 9:00AM - 3:15PM	Y4 CELTIC HARMONY TRIP
MON 4TH MAY 2026	BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
WED 6TH MAY 2026, 9:00AM - 3:30PM	Y5 HERTFORDSHIRE ZOO TRIP
THU 7TH MAY 2026	INSET – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
FRI 8TH MAY 2026	NON-UNIFORM DAY FOR COLOUR RUN ITEMS
MON 11TH MAY 2026 - THU 14TH MAY 2026	KS2 SATS
FRI 15TH MAY 2026	NURSERY & RECEPTION TEDDY SPORTS DAY
FRI 22ND MAY 2026	Y1 TO Y6 SPORTS DAY AM COLOUR RUN PM
MON 25TH MAY 2026 - FRI 29TH MAY 2026	HALF TERM

## ATTENDANCE

SEPT TO MAR

NUR	REC	1	2
82.8%	92.1%	93.6%	95.0%
3	4	5	6
94.9%	93.5%	95.4%	94.7%

### CELEBRATING CLASS ATTENDANCE

Every week we celebrate attendance in our Friday Celebration Assembly. In recent weeks the winners, in order, have been:

27.2.26	6.3.26	13.3.26	20.3.26
Y5, Y2, Y6	Y5, Y3, Y2	Y5, Y2, Y3	Y5, Y2, Y3



## STAFF

In June and July, Miss Robinson will be visiting and working closely with our Year 6 pupils and staff to support their transition from primary to secondary school. Her work will include a range of daily tasks designed to build confidence and independence, such as practising how to tie a tie, preparing for lessons, and developing essential organisational skills. This support aims to ensure pupils feel ready, reassured, and well-prepared for the move into Year 7.



## RECEPTION, YEAR 3, YEAR 2 ASSEMBLIES

Three of our classes have performed their class assemblies to parents and carers over the last month. Class assemblies are far more than a performance. They play an important role in supporting children's personal development and building confidence. Standing in front of an audience helps pupils develop key skills such as speaking clearly, working as a team, and expressing ideas with pride. These experiences contribute to growing self-assurance and a sense of responsibility.



RECEPTION – The children in Reception made all the adults incredibly proud during their 'Space Assembly'. Their clear, confident speaking, along with their beautiful singing and enthusiastic dancing, made the performance a joy to watch. Well done to all the children for their hard work and wonderful presentation! We hope you enjoyed our smallest

stars. *Miss Daniels*

YEAR 3 – Year 3 ended science week with a skeleton themed class assembly. They all worked so hard to learn lots of interesting facts about the skeletons of different animals. Well done Year 3 for a bone-tastic assembly! *Miss Greed*



YEAR 2 - It was brilliant to watch Year 2 share their learning in our class assembly this week. The children took everyone on a journey through different habitats from the woodlands, deserts, oceans and finally to the Arctic. They explained how animals survive in each environment. They confidently performed a guessing game, a poem, and a song to finish. I'm so proud of their hard work and enthusiasm—well done, Year 2! *Miss Saunders*



## EASTER RAFFLE WINNERS WERE



### Class Winners:

Nursery – Archie

Reception – Levi

Year 1 – Victoria

Year 2 – Eloise

Year 3 - Brayan

Year 4 - Stanley

Year 5 - Reethiksha

Year 6 - Ruby

### Overall winners were:

Winnie Y3

Faith Y4

Milan 3Y

George Y1

Matei Rec

Noah Y6

Oscar Y1

Athena Y3

Kaiya Y2

Maahi Y5



## EASTER DISCO

The children's disco last month was very well supported by both pupils and staff. We would like to remind everyone that our staff generously give up their own time to make these events possible, and we are grateful for their continued commitment.

We hope the children enjoyed their disco and had a fantastic time.



## DANCE FESTIVAL

Last month, our children proudly took part in the *Great Big Dance Off* national schools' dance competition at the Gordon Craig Theatre. The event brought together schools from across the country, giving young people the chance to showcase their talent.



We are incredibly proud of the dedication the children showed throughout their rehearsals and the fantastic way they represented our school. It was a memorable day full of smiles, applause, and achievement.

Well done to every dancer who took part!

## REMINDER BREAKFAST BOOSTER – YEAR 6 WITH MRS WEBB

Mrs Webb's Breakfast Booster will continue for Year 6 children every morning 8.00-8.50am **until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**. After Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May Free Breakfast Booster will no longer be open to Year 6 children. If you wish your child to come to school early, please ensure you have booked them into the paid for Breakfast Club. Thank you.



## BREAKFAST BOOSTER – YEAR 2 to YEAR 5 WITH MRS WEBB

Mrs Webb will be starting new breakfast clubs in May.

The clubs will be running for:-

- all **Year 4 and 5 pupils** on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8.00-8.50am, commencing on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July.
- all **Year 2 and 3 pupils** on a Tuesday and Thursday from 8.00-8.50am, commencing on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May until Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

8.00am – Breakfast club opens in the hall – please use the outside hall doors.

8.05am – Brain Gym, a fun exercise session, waking up bodies and brains for the day ahead.

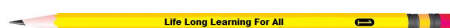
8.15am – A delicious breakfast with Mrs Webb, will be provided for every child. Please note we stop serving breakfast at 8.25am.

8.30am onwards – Pupils will work through planned, stimulating and exciting learning with Mrs Webb.

### IMPORTANT - Year 2 to Year 5

Children must be registered for this free club, please complete the consent and booking form for your child to attend the booster [via the Arbor App](#) – Club section.

**Year 6 REMINDER** – The Free breakfast boosters will **stop running** for Year 6 on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

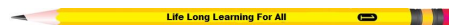


## COMMON CHILDHOOD ILLNESSES

**Do I need to keep my child off school?**

Illness	Return to School/Nursery Guidelines
Whooping Cough	48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Chicken Pox	Until all spots have crusted over
Conjunctivitis	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Diarrhoea & Vomiting	48 hours from last episode
Glandular Fever	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Hand, foot & mouth	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Measles or German Measles	4 days from onset of rash
Mumps	5 days from onset of swelling
Scabies	Until after first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after commencing antibiotics
Slapped Cheek	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
Flu	Until recovered
Head Lice	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Threadworms	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed
Tonsillitis	No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

HSC Public Health Agency



## THANK YOU TO HERTS CRICKET



We would like to extend a huge thank you to **Herts Cricket** for spending one day each week with our children throughout this month. The sessions have been incredibly engaging, and the children have really enjoyed developing their cricket skills, confidence, and teamwork. We are very grateful for the time, enthusiasm, and expertise the coaches have shared with us. Thank you for giving our pupils such a positive sporting experience!

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Clubs after May Half Term (June to July) booking will be available on Arbor from 11<sup>th</sup> May



Y4 to Y6 Dodgeball – Mondays – 1<sup>st</sup> Jun to 13<sup>th</sup> Jul (7 sessions) £14

Y1 & Y2 Athletics – Tuesdays – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun to 14<sup>th</sup> Jul (6 sessions) £14

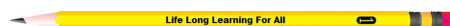
Y3 to Y6 Curling – Wednesdays – 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun to 15<sup>th</sup> Jul (6 sessions) £14



## SCIENCE WEEK WORKSHOPS



Just a few photos of our Science week which included; Mad Mixtures, Forces & Rockets, Dry Ice capades, Slime-ology, Night Owls, Safari Stu and so much more! Check out our Instagram to see more photos; Broombarnsprimary (Official).



## REMINDER - PUPIL SCHOOL REPORTS

We would like to inform you that pupil school reports will be available to download by the end of the day on Friday, 27th March 2026.

Reports can be accessed through:

- Arbor App (on your phone or tablet)
- Arbor Portal (on a PC or laptop)
- Simple instruction can be found on [Broom Barns Primary School » Payments & Communication](#) in the 'Getting Started' section.

Please ensure you can log in to your Arbor account in advance. If you experience any difficulties, contact the school office for assistance.

## HAVE YOUR SAY

### Help us improve the Arbor Parent App!

We want to make sure the Parent App is as helpful as possible for you and your family. To do that, the team at Arbor would love to hear your thoughts.



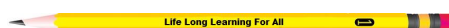
**How you can help** Arbor is looking for parents to join a small feedback group. From time to time, they'll reach out with a chance to:

- Test out new ideas before they're released
- Join a quick 30–60-minute online feedback session
- Share your experience of using the app

There's no pressure to join every session – you can just jump in whenever you have a spare moment to help make school life a little bit easier for every parent.

**Sound interesting?** You can sign up to hear more about the feedback sessions here: [Help us improve the Arbor parent app](#)

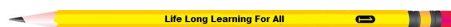
**A quick note on data:** We know schools take data privacy seriously. Any feedback provided is used solely to improve Arbor. We don't share parent contact details with third parties, and parents can opt-out of the feedback group at any time.



Policies can be found at - [Broom Barns Primary School » Policies](#)

Latest Policy Updated:

1. Sen policy



## YEAR 5 MINI POLICE

The Stevenage mini police programme is an initiative aimed at educating children about law and order through a fun and interactive course. The programme aims to build trust with communities, promote responsible citizenship and help young people establish an interest and understanding in policing and community safety. The pupils will be learning about road safety, anti-social behaviour, internet safety, drugs, hate crime and bullying.

# SEN Coffee Morning

is on Monday 18th May at 9am

We will be discussing

## TRANSITION.

Come along if you have any ideas about how we can make the transition for your child to the next year run smoothly or just want to come and find out more about the transition arrangements for your child.

If you cannot attend in person but have some comments about transition please email them to [admin@broombarns.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@broombarns.herts.sch.uk)

## BROOM BARNS PARENT PARTNERSHIP

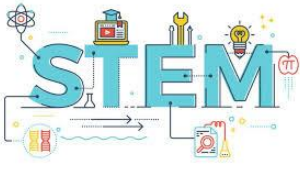
Save the date.  
Our next meeting will be  
on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April at  
2.20pm

## SEN NEWS



Teachers have had training this term on supporting pupils with writing difficulties, pupils who mask difficulties while in school and neurodiversity. If you would like more information, please ask your child's class teacher.

Mrs Hogan (the school Senco) and curriculum leaders have also reviewed how we support pupils with additional needs in each subject area. You can view the document the school website at <https://broombarns.herts.sch.uk/curriculum/curriculum-subjects/special-educational-needs-and-or-disabilities-send/>

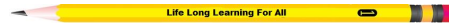


## CODING WORKSHOP WITH ANTONY HYETT

Last term Antony Hyett visited the school for a day of coding. The children experienced the hands-on nature of LEGO robotics using coding during the workshop.

Coding is used in everyday lives to create things like:

- Apps (like WhatsApp or Instagram)
- Websites
- Games
- Robots
- Programs that run on computers, tablets, and phones



## SHINE PARENT/CARER SURVEY - RECEPTION AND YEAR 6

Dear School, Hertfordshire is partnering with researchers at UCL, Durham and Newcastle Universities to invite parents from your school to take part in the SHINE Parent & Carer Survey. [Click here to access the survey](#)

This 20–30-minute survey is designed for parents and carers of Reception and Year 6 children. It focuses on their perspectives on children's health and wellbeing and explores their experiences with the National Child Measurement Programme.

# SUMMER CHOICE

BREAD AND SALAD BAR  
AVAILABLE DAILY

## WEEK 1

WC: 13th Apr, 4th May,  
25th May, 15th Jun, 6th Jul

## WEEK 2

WC: 20th Apr, 11th May,  
1st Jun, 22nd Jun, 13th Jul

## WEEK 3

WC: 27th Apr, 18th May,  
8th Jun, 29th Jun, 20th Jul

MONDAY

Hand Stretched Margherita or  
Vegetable Pizza (V) (VG)  
Sweet Potato Curry & Steamed Rice (VG) (GF)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Garlic Sauce, Green Beans, Sweetcorn  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Strawberry Ice Cream (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Hand Stretched Margherita Pizza (V) (VG)  
Mild Bean Chilli (VG) (GF)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, Green Beans  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Strawberry Mousse (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Hand Stretched Margherita or  
Pineapple Pizza (V) (VG)  
Spanish Omelette (V)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

New Potatoes, Spaghetti Hoops, Green Beans,  
Sweetcorn, Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Ice Cream & Fruit (V)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

TUESDAY

All Day Breakfast  
All Day Veggie Breakfast (V) (VG)  
Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Hash Browns, Baked Beans, Peas  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Fresh Fruit Salad (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Chicken & Coconut Curry (GF)  
Tomato & Herb Pasta Bake (V) (VG)  
Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Rice, Green Beans, Cauliflower  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Red Velvet Brownie (V)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

★ Crispy Chicken Dippers or Quorn Dippers (VG) ★  
Summer Pesto Pasta (VG)  
Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Chips, Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Ketchup  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Ginger Flagjack Cookie (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken (GF)  
Roasted Vegetable Loaf (VG)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

New Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Chocolate Cookie (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Sausage Stuffed Yorkshire Pudding  
Broccoli Cheese Filled Yorkshire Pudding (V)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Peas, Gravy  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Raspberry Jelly & Peaches (V) (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Roast Chicken (GF)  
★ Hearty Puff Pie (VG) ★  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Watermelon Wedges (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

THURSDAY

Pasta Bar with a Choice of Toppings (V) (VG)  
★ Creamy Chicken & Steamed Rice ★  
Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Sweetcorn, Carrots  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Summer Fruit Puff & Custard (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Pasta Bar with a Choice of Toppings (V) (VG)  
★ Neapolitan Chicken & Rice (GF) ★  
Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Broccoli, Carrots  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Fruit Crumble & Ice Cream (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Spaghetti Bolognese  
Authentic Vegetable Curry & Rice (VG) (GF)  
Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG)

Cauliflower, Carrots  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Chocolate Crunch & Custard (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

FRIDAY

Breaded Fish Fingers or  
Crispy Crumbed Vegetable Grill (VG)  
Cheesy Leek Parcel (V)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Chocolate Banana Slice (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Breaded Fish Fingers or Quorn Dippers (VG)  
Summer Salmon Salad (GF)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

Lemon Cookie (VG)  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

Breaded Fish Fingers or Fishless Fingers (VG)  
Sweet & Sour Vegetable Noodles (VG)  
Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF)

Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Baked Beans  
Fresh Salad Selection, Fresh Sliced Bread

★ Manchester Tart (V) ★  
Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

★ NEW DISHES FOR 2025/26

V = Vegetarian | VG = Vegan | \*GF = Gluten Free

For full allergen information please refer to your School Grid Account. \*Gluten free products are prepared in kitchens that  
also process products containing gluten. Any Hallal menu variations will be displayed on School Grid. Menu subject to change.