

# Snapshots of the Week

## Week: 24 May to 28 May 2021



This week...

### Year 3

Year 3 are incredibly proud of the puppets they have made. They have enjoyed retelling the story of The Borrowers using their different characters. They are now all great at using a hacksaw safely and have been given a new challenge to complete for Year 1 by the end of the week. They are designing and making a game which can be passed down to help the Year 1 learners with their phonics. This will require them to use the skills of hacksawing to create a part for the game. We are still enjoying every minute of our 'Podkin One-ear' story and cannot wait to see what happens next on the rabbits exciting adventure. Well done for another fabulous half term Year 3! We are incredibly proud of you.



### Times tables

It's battles of the bands time! We have set a times tables Rockstar's competition between all year 1 to 4 learners over the half term. Who will come out on top - Broadstone girls or Broadstone Boys? You've got to be in it to win it. There are plenty of certificates up grabs too and the prestigious TTR wrist bands are back!

### Reading

Parents can help develop fluency by encouraging children to reread favourite books over and over again. With each reading, you may notice your child reading a bit easier, a bit faster, and with a bit more confidence and expression. This isn't cheating! This is a valid technique called repeated reading. A fun way to practice reading and build fluency is to have your child create her own audio books. This can be done simply with a recording feature or app on your phone. Children often pick up their own mistakes and areas to improve just by listening back to themselves and they improve really quickly. This is often a strategy used in speech and language therapy. A lovely half term project as sharing your audio recordings with family and friends is a great motivator!

### Broadstone First School - Race for Life

So proud of all our learners today who took part in our BFS Race for Life. The weather shone down as everyone from EYFS through to Year 4 walked, jogged and ran their way around the perimeter of Broadstone First School in their respective classes as many times as they could in their allotted 20minute time slot. All our learners should great team spirit as they cheered on their team mates. A massive thank you as always for the generosity shown in your donations which will be going to the charity Cancer UK, we have raised over £340.00 so far (we are still counting).



Reminders for next week...

### PE Day

Please remember on your child's set PE day to send them in wearing their PE Kit.

**Reception** – Tuesday and Wednesday

**Year 1** – Monday and Tuesday

**Year 2** – Thursday and Friday

**Year 3** – Wednesday and Thursday

**Year 4** – Monday and Tuesday

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June 2021						
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Bank Holiday and May Half Term

### Responsibilities

We shared our menu of roles of responsibility with all learners on Wednesday 26 May, in class. This is now available to view on our website so that you can look at what is on offer and have a conversation with your child about the responsibility they might like to choose to take ownership off for the remainder of this academic year, moving into next year. We ask each child to select three responsibilities they are interested in and they will be placed in one they have chosen.

Please submit your child's choices by 9am Wednesday 2 June via the form below:

<https://www.broadstonefirstschool.co.uk/responsibilities>

**Drop Off**

We have recently noticed an increase in the number of parents who are slowing down their cars outside of the school and dropping their children off, so they can run around the one-way system on their own. We are increasingly concerned with regards to road safety associated to this. Please can we ask that you use the marked carpark bays outside of school to park up. If you are in Year 4 and would like your child to walk around the one-way system on their own, we are happy for this soft step to build independence before middle school. However, we do ask they are walked onto the school grounds and left near the black gate. Please note this is only available to Year 4.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation with this.

**Reminders for after half term**

The one-way system will continue. Morning drop-off will return to 8.30am – 8.50am. This will continue to support the staggering of families coming onto site.

At the end of the day the pickup time will be shortened. Parents can collect pupils between 3pm and 3.15pm. This will still continue to allow families to social distance and stagger coming onto the school site.

Children will be able to bring lunch boxes into school. We ask where possible these are plastic rather than fabric in order to support with ease of wiping down each day. Should you wish to continue with paper bags, then please do. Your child will be able to either throw or bring home their bag each day.

Water bottles will now come home daily with your child to be washed at home.