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To Parents and Carers,

Good news! Thanks to your amazing support for the Elite Sporting event where we saw Oli Adams putting the children through their paces, we have raised a huge £714.15. This fantastic achievement simply wouldn't have been possible without your generosity and encouragement.

Every single penny raised—all £714.15—will be spent directly on brand new sporting equipment for our pupils to enjoy during PE and playtime.

Thank you so much to everyone who participated, donated, and helped make the day such a resounding success!

On Thursday, members of the Friends of Braddock School PTA met to review the previous year's achievements, present the financial report, and plan for the year ahead. If you were unable to make the meeting but would still like to get involved, please do get in touch! We have many exciting events planned this year that will create fantastic fundraising opportunities to directly benefit the children.

Outdoor Dave and Adventure James joined us again this week for the next outdoor adventure instalment. This time it was the turn of Willow Class, who embarked on an archery challenge at the Boconnoc Estate. The children were able to hone their archery skills with a little bit of friendly competition thrown in as well. Thank you to Dave and James for making these trips so exciting and rewarding for our children!

We have an exciting and busy final week of half term ahead! Across Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, our children will be out representing the school at our upcoming football tournaments. Good luck to all our teams!

Alongside the sport, we are looking forward to hosting our Parents' Phonics Workshop, giving you practical insights into how we teach reading and how you can support at home.

To round off the term on a high note, the children can look forward to our Autumn Disco.

I am particularly delighted to share that Cross Country is officially back up and running (pun intended!). At the end of last season, it looked very unlikely that we would be able to continue, so to see our runners preparing for the first race of the season is fantastic news. Best of luck to all of our runners next week—here's to another successful season!

Have a wonderful weekend

Carly Passco

Bring Friendship

#Bring Courage

#Bring Creativity

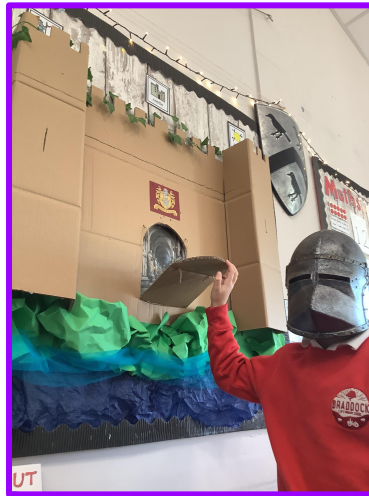


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Our week in pictures: courage, creativity and friendship!



"Cheers!"

Comes from the
13th-century
Anglo-French word
chiere, which meant
"face," "head," or
"expression"





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Class News

Cherry

Cherry Class have had a fab week full of hands-on, seasonal fun! On Friday we had lots of excitement by celebrating Barnaby Bear's 5th birthday, putting our maths skills to test as we weighed out ingredients to make delicious birthday cupcakes.

Our autumn learning continued with plenty of sensory exploration. The children loved getting stuck in and exploring the insides of pumpkins, and we went outdoors for an autumn treasure hunt across the school grounds. To top off our week, we made colourful wind streamers and headed outside to watch them catch the breeze on a windy day.



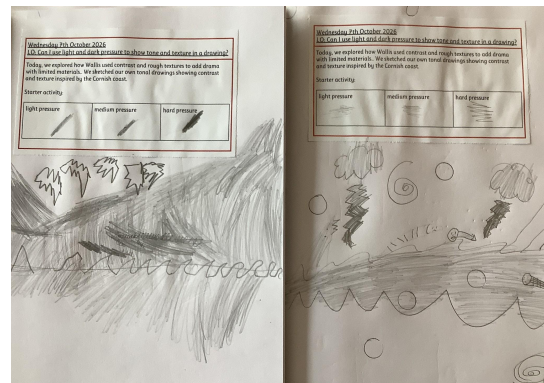
Attendance 98%



Elm

It was a busy week in Elm Castle! While the knights worked hard to protect the grounds, the servants and cooks were busy preparing a feast for the Lord and Lady—highlighting just how different daily life was for each person in a medieval castle.

In art, the children drew inspiration from Alfred Wallis to create their own coastal masterpieces. They experimented with pencil pressure to explore tone and add depth to their work.



Attendance 96%



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Willow

The children have been extremely creative with their writing this week. Not only have they completed a no more marking task, in which they wrote their own story using a picture prompt, but they have also planned and started to write their own story based on *The Papaya That Spoke*. It has been lovely to see their ideas develop as they make thoughtful choices about characters, settings and events.

In maths, we have started our addition and subtraction model. The children have been working hard on using the column method and are becoming more confident when organising their calculations and solving problems.

We had a fantastic day of archery today with Outdoor Dave and Adventure James. The children learnt the ancient art of archery and developed their understanding of the technique and correct posture needed to pull the bow safely. We finished the day by playing some archery games, using our maths skills to keep track of scores.



Have a lovely weekend! Miss Passco & Mrs Tanner

Attendance 96%

Oak

This week has been jam packed for Oak Class!

Year 6 have shown their perseverance and dedication to learning during a Mock SATS week and we are so proud of how hard they have worked.

We explored textures in art with some watercolour painting, creating the motion of the ocean with our brushes and creating some wonderful artwork.

We delved even further into our space topic in Science, looking at how the Earth orbits the sun, spins on its axis and why we have years, day and seasons.

We have also further explored WWII by hot seating at evacuees and writing diary entries as though we were really there!

What a fabulous week,
well done Oak Class!
Miss Ayrton



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Let's Celebrate!

Cherry

Mia



For fantastic work in PE. Mia has been demonstrating some excellent movement skills and balancing, even when up high on the apparatus!

Elm

Rupert

For amazing us with his epic drawings in both Art and Curious Quests - your talent for bringing your subject to life is inspiring!

Willow

Trinity

For taking wonderful pride in her work across every subject and dazzling us with her brilliant, creative writing ideas!

Oak

Ezra

For consistently showing what brilliant behaviour looks like here at Braddock! Well done.

Jaydan



For always making the right choices. Jaydan ensures he is always ready to learn and listen. Keep it up Jaydan!

Tilly

For showing real independence in your learning and embracing challenge when inventing your obstacle in Curious Quests.

Hunter

For making mature choices, listening well, and showing respect for our classroom boundaries.

Grace

For always persevering in your learning, even when things get tough. Keep up the great work!



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Christian Values!

	Cherry	Elm	Willow	Oak
	Evelyn For bringing such enthusiasm to her learning. Evelyn has shown great energy and participation in PE this half term!	Sam For being so helpful in our class, patiently helping others with their work once he has finished his own. Sam has also taken responsibility for reading our Morning Maths answers which has been a real treat for the class.	Oliver For showing fantastic courage during archery and being a true friend by helping and encouraging others!	Jowan For bringing Creativity to Oak Class, always. We love to see and hear about all of your wonderful ideas.

This half term, we
are bringing ...

Courage

Creativity

Friendship



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Dates for the Diary

- 14th October - EYFS Phonics Parent Workshop - 3:30pm
- 14th October - KS1 football tournament - selected children
- 15th October - KS2 football tournament - selected children
- 15th October - Autumn Disco
- 16th October - 1st Cross country race @ Great Trethew
- 16th October - Last day of Autumn 1
- 2nd November - First day of Autumn 2
- 5th November - Cherry class School trip
- 9th November - Reception Open Day
- 13th November - Children in Need MUFTI Day
- 17-18th November - Year 2 SOA Residential

Weekly Whole School Attendance

94%

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Reception Phonics Parent Workshop

Help your child build their reading and writing skills!

Wednesday 14th October
at 3:30pm

Fred the Frog

We would love for you to join us for our Reception Phonics Workshop, where we will be sharing how we teach phonics using Fred the Frog and the Read Write Inc. approach.

During the workshop, we will:

- ★ Show you how we teach phonics in Reception
- ★ Share some of the resources and strategies we use
- ★ Give you top tips and ideas to support your child at home
- ★ Answer any questions you may have

We look forward to seeing you there!

Read ♥ Write ♥ Say ♥ Blend ♥ Build

Little steps...
big progress!

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School Events

POPPY APPEAL - REMEMBERING OUR HEROES

ITEMS AVAILABLE FROM NEXT WEEK

- PAPER POPPIES 50p
- PENCILS & REFLECTORS £1
- PIN BADGE POPPY £2
- WRISTBAND £2

—A collective moment of reflection—
WE WILL BE HOLDING TWO MINUTE SILENCE ON ARMISTICE DAY, 11th NOVEMBER

Braddock School Plant Donations

Can you help us grow?

We are looking for donations of any kind of outdoor and indoor plants, big and small, bulbs and compost.

We are improving our school area inside and outside and we are on a mission to get the community involved and support us with this to enhance our school environment for all our children.

We would love donations of:

- Indoor plants (big and small)
- Outdoor plants (big and small)
- Bulbs
- Compost
- Plant pots (any size)
- Garden tools (if you have any spare)
- Anything plant related that you no longer need

Every plant, bulb and bag of compost makes a difference!

With your support, we can create a greener, healthier and more vibrant space for our children to learn, play and grow – inside and outside our school.

Let's grow something special together

Little plants... Big impact!

COMPOST

Thank you for your support

Together we can make a difference



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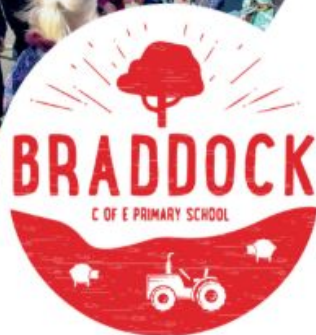
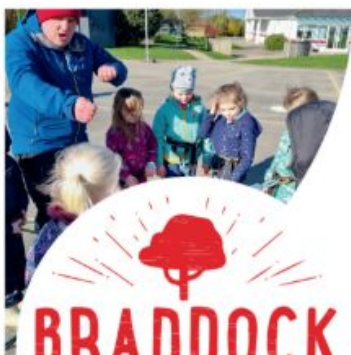
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School Events

Have you applied yet?

BRADDOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

OPEN DAY:
Thurs 8 Oct
Mon 9 Nov



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[facebook.com/BraddockCofEPrimary](https://www.facebook.com/BraddockCofEPrimary)



Together  for Families

The
deadline for
applications is
**15 January
2027**

Starting school September 2027

Applying for a place in
a reception class for
children born between
1 September 2022 and
31 August 2023



Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Information and guidance

Application form and information: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Telephone: 0300 1234 101



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Do you know someone
looking for a
Reception place in
September 2027?
Please point them in
our direction and come
and visit us during our
upcoming Open days.



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Community Events

NHS
Cornwall Partnership
NHS Foundation Trust

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Please join us for our five week
**Parent Led CBT
Intervention**

- Does your child frequently anticipate that something negative will occur and doubt their ability to handle it?
- Does your child frequently report physical symptoms, such as headaches, stomachaches, shaking, or muscle aches, before participating in activities or going out?
- Does your child often seek reassurance by asking questions like, "Will I be okay?"
- Does your child shy away from activities or events they once enjoyed attending?

If you answered yes to any of these and would like to join us either online or in a face to face group please register your interest by completing the link below or scan the QR code.
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/UvJzbabn9J>



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ARGYLE
FOOTBALL CAMPS
OCTOBER

26-30 October, 2026 | 9.30am start
Open to Boys & Girls of all abilities, aged 5-15

SESSIONS FROM £15 PER DAY

For more information:
call 01752 522202, or
visit argylecommunitytrust.co.uk

BOOK NOW

BODMIN KEEP
CORNWALL'S
ARMY MUSEUM

**TANK
TAKE
OVER**

Scan for details

This half-term Bodmin Keep - Cornwall's Army Museum is going full tank mode with a real Scimitar tank, loaned from the incredible Tank Museum Bovington.

Join us for an unforgettable half-term of activities, tank tours and trails.

Mon-Wed & Sat | 19-31 October
11am-3pm
The Courtyard at the Keep

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Term Dates

St Barnabas Trust Term Dates 2026-2027



	SEPTEMBER 2026					OCTOBER 2026					NOVEMBER 2026					DECEMBER 2026				
Monday	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	
Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29
Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30
Thursday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31
Friday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25	
Saturday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26	
Sunday	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	
	JANUARY 2027					FEBRUARY 2027					MARCH 2027					APRIL 2027				
Monday	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
Tuesday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
Wednesday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	
Thursday	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
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Sunday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
	MAY 2027					JUNE 2027					JULY 2027					AUGUST 2027				
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Staff training (INSET)
 Public holidays
 School holidays

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Bank and Public Holidays 2026-2027

- Friday 25 December 2026 Christmas Day
- Monday 28 December 2026 Boxing Day
- Friday 1 January 2027 New Years Day
- Friday 26 March 2027 Good Friday
- Monday 29 March 2027 Easter Monday
- Monday 3 May 2027 Early May Bank Holiday
- Monday 31 May 2027 Spring Bank Holiday
- Monday 30 August 2027 Summer Bank Holiday

Autumn term: 3rd September 2026 to 18th December 2026 (67 days)
Half term: Friday 19th October – Friday 30th October 2026

Spring term: 4th January 2027 – 25th March 2027 (54 days)
Half term: Monday 15th February 2027 – Friday 19th February 2027

Summer term: 12th April 2027 – 23rd July 2027 (69 days)
Half-term: 31st May 2027 – 4th June 2027



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Attendance

Statutory Attendance Notice

IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR PENALTY NOTICE CHANGES FROM AUGUST 2024

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days.

If your child is further absent from school without authorisation within any 3-year period, you will be committing a further offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices for a second offence are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £160, payable within 28 days.

Importantly, fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other actions such as a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may also result in legal action. If you are prosecuted and attend court because your child has not been attending school, you could get a fine of up to £2,500. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Absence not authorised by the school may also result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Again, Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court, including legal costs.

Money raised from fines is only used by the local authority to cover the costs of administering the system, and to fund attendance support. Any extra money is returned to the government.