Worth Valley Primary School NEWSLETTER

24 April 2026

Diary Dates

Tuesday 28 April

Year 6 & Reception class photos

Wednesday 29 April

Movie Night

SRT visit to Waterstones

Monday 4 May

May Day Bank Holiday

Wednesday 6 May

Year 5 visit to St Ives

w/c 11 May

KS2 SATs week

Tuesday 19 May

Year 4 visit to Lytham

Thursday 21 May

Year 4 Music workshop

Reception trip to Eureka

School closes for Spring Bank

Thursday 4 June

School re-opens after Spring Bank

Wednesday 10 June

Inflatable Fun Day—whole school

Friday 11 June

Butterfly Room trip to Sea Life & Legoland

Tuesday 16 June

Year 3 visit to Cliffe Castle

Tuesday 23 June

Technology Free day

Nursery trip to Hesketh Farm

Thursday 25 June

Year 6 trip to Flamingo Land

Year 5 rounders tournament

Tuesday 30 June

Year 2 trip to Skipton Castle

Tuesday 7 July

NSPCC visit—Speak Out, Stay Safe

Wednesday 8 July

Year 5 visit to Murton Park

Monday 20 July

School closes for summer holidays

School Holiday Dates 2026-2027

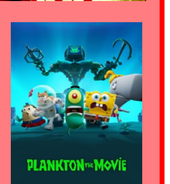
Next year's school holiday dates are available to view on our school website.

Please visit **www.worthvalleyprimary.co.uk** and click on the '*Our School'* tab, then '*School Holidays*' and select '*School Holiday Schedule 2026-2027.*

Movie Night

Wednesday 29th April

Plankton: The Movie



Movie night will finish at 5.00pm approx. Tickets cost £2 and are available on Parentpay.

Headteacher's Message



This time of year is always one of my favourites in school. The cherry blossom is in full bloom and we've been very fortunate to enjoy plenty of sunshine over recent days.



I felt especially proud this week watching what's been happening at lunchtimes. There's such a great range of activities on offer and it's brilliant to see so many children getting involved, trying new things and just enjoying themselves with their friends.

It's no coincidence that lunchtimes continue to be so positive, with very few behaviour incidents. A big thank you to our staff for organising and supporting all of these opportunities, and to the children for playing so well together and making lunchtimes such a happy part of the day.















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Attendance

Attendance data for the last 2 weeks is as follows:

w/c 13.4.26	
Reception	96.5%
Year 1	93.2%
Year 2	95.9%
Year 3	99.3%
Year 4	93.0%
Year 5	96.7%
Year 6	94.2%
Butterfly Room	94.4%

w/c 20.4.26	
Reception	97.0%
Year 1	93.1%
Year 2	92.8%
Year 3	95.9%
Year 4	97.9%
Year 5	95.6%
Year 6	96.9%
Butterfly Room	88.7%

Well done to year 3, who achieved over 99% attendance last week and earned themselves an extra long playtime, hot chocolate and biscuits!

Also, well done to Year 4 for achieving the weekly attendance award for the first time this year!

Items from home, including "sensory" toys

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our expectations regarding pupils bringing personal items, including so-called "sensory" toys or objects, into school.

It remains the case that we ask all personal items to be left at home. Items brought into school can easily become lost or damaged and - in many cases - can distract from pupils' learning.

We recognise that some children may benefit from specific resources to support their needs. Where a particular item is recommended as part of a child's EHCP, or has been advised by a relevant health professional, this will of course be supported, accommodated and provided by the school.

However, unless there is an agreed and evidenced need, pupils will not be permitted to use or wear personal sensory items during the school day.

We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a focused and purposeful learning environment for all pupils.



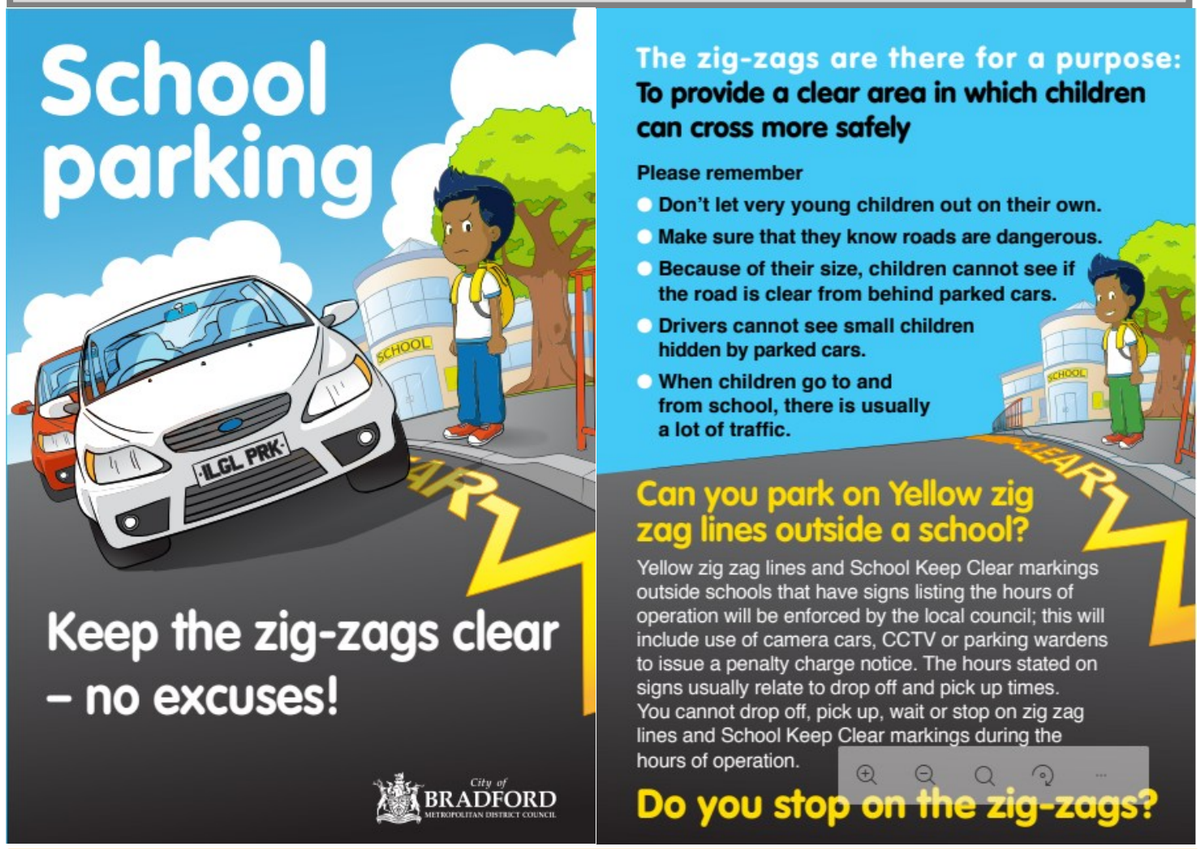
Parking

A quick reminder to all parents and carers about parking on Bracken Bank Crescent. Please park carefully and considerately, avoiding the pavement wherever possible, and do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines. These measures are in place to keep everyone safe, and it's important that all children and their families can travel to and from school safely.

While we do our best to remind and encourage safe parking, schools are not responsible for enforcing parking restrictions outside the school. This is the responsibility of the local authority and their parking enforcement officers. If you have concerns about unsafe or inconsiderate parking, you can report this to the local council.

It's also been great to see so many children coming to school on their bikes and scooters. We would just ask that, for safety reasons, all children cycling or scooting to school wear a helmet.





Updated Policies

In line with updated government guidance, we have recently updated the Trust's policy on the use of restrictive force and seclusion. If you would like to find out more, please visit:
https://www.leadinglearnersmat.co.uk/Our-Policies/

We have also introduced a new policy regarding pupils' use of mobile devices. This is available to read on our school website under the policies tab.