



PRIMARY WORD

We should be the best we can be for we are all God's Masterpiece

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Events for week beginning Monday 4th November 2024

Day	Time	Event	Venue	Taken By
Monday 4th		Teachers Training Day		
Tuesday 5th	12.15-12.45pm 12.15-1.15pm 3.30-4.15pm 6.15-8pm	School Reopens Home Learning Club Hotshots Basketball YR3/4 Athletics Taekwon-do	Miss Worster's Class Small Hall School Field Main Hall	Miss Worster/Miss de Rossi Hotshots Mrs Devereux Mr Bonfield
Wednesday 6th	11.15am-4.40pm 12.15-1.15pm 1.55-2.55pm	Rugby Competition Hotshots Basketball Woodwind	Towcestrians RFC Small Hall Small Hall	Mrs Devereux Hotshots Miss Retford
Thursday 7th	12.15-12.45pm 12.15-1.15pm 12.45-1.05pm 3.30-4.15pm 5.30-7.45pm	YR3/4 Chatty Café Hotshots Basketball Year 2 Choir KS2 Choir Taekwon-do	Mrs Varrier's Class Small Hall Mrs Walters's Class Main Hall Main Hall	Mrs Varrier Hotshots Mrs Walter Mrs Marsh/Devereux/Varrier Mr Bonfield
Friday 8th	12.15-1.15pm 12.30-3.00pm 1.30-3.15pm	Hotshots Basketball Selected YR5 Swimming Violin	Small Hall The Mounts Small Room	Hotshots Mrs Pirie / Mrs Roy Mr Ebrahim
Sunday 10th	10.30-11.30am	Brixworth Community Church - Informal Service	Main Hall	Rev Andy Lloyd-Williams

Year 5 Remembrance Service

Year 5 pupils will attend a Remembrance Service at **All Saints Church** on **Monday 11th November**.



The service will start at **10.30am** followed by the laying of a wreath and a prayer by the pupils on behalf of the school.

Parents and members of the community are welcome to join the service.

Odd Socks Day

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week and this year it is taking place on **Tuesday 12th November**.

We would like to invite all children and adults to wear odd socks to school on this day to celebrate that we are all unique.

As a school, we will be taking part in Anti-Bullying Week by discussing issues in assembly and class around bullying. The theme for this year is **Choose Respect** to empower everyone to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.

Poppies

Pupils are invited to bring in a small contribution in exchange for a poppy.

All proceeds will go to the British Legion.



Please remember to order your child's meals by

Wednesday 30th October to ensure your child has meals for the week commencing **Monday 4th November**.

No Dogs on School Premises



Dogs are wonderful companions and pets, however, some children and adults are not comfortable near them and can be quite worried by their presence. **Dogs must not be brought or carried onto the school grounds at any time and they should not be tied to the fence as many children are then placed in a position of having to walk past.**

School Parking



Please can we remind parents to be mindful when dropping off or picking up their children and not to fall into the habit of parking illegally or in a thoughtless or dangerous manner. We have had a number of local residents contact us recently expressing their concerns over the ways in which some parents are parking. Please do not block access to driveways or restrict the visibility for children who need to cross.

Assembly Theme Week

Commencing 4th November is **Kindness**

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who have won awards for consistently upholding one or more of the school values.



Socially

Felix C
Lily G
Phoebe W

Academically

Alfie B
Evie C
Lily R
Esther E

Spiritually

Layla P

Physically

Jackson F

House Award

Last week the winning house award was awarded to:

Red House with 36 Points!

Well done red house.



Harvest Festival

Brixworth Primary School would like to say a huge thank you to the parents and local community for all of the wonderful donations received for Harvest.

Harvest Festival is a chance for us to celebrate the food that we eat and everything that we are thankful for.

Harvest Competition

The harvest competition was a huge success this year with many wonderfully creative entries. Well done to all of the children that entered.

The winners were as follows:
 Millie O as the Year 5/6 winner.
 Ada R as the Year 3/4 winner.
 Scarlett K as the Year 1/2 winner.
 Violet K as the FS winner.



Year 6 Deliver Harvest Gifts

Once all the harvest gifts were received, collated and the children had enjoyed the Harvest assembly, the Year Six classes eagerly delivered them around the village.



On Thursday 24th October, Year 6 children delivered Harvest donations to the elderly people of Brixworth. In school we have been thinking about how if everyone does something small it will go along way. Seeing the smiles and looks of joy on their faces was a nice feeling for everyone who had donated some food to make that person's day.

- **Florence W, Year 6**

Just a little thing brightens people's day

- **Bella B, Year 6**

We loved seeing the smiles on people's faces

- **Mia S, Year 6**

It was fun since you made some people's day and it made us feel good about ourselves

- **Anthony B, Year 6**



On Thursday, Year 6 delivered Harvest donations. All around the school, we have been thinking about how something small goes a long way. So when Year 6 took the harvest boxes around the village, it allowed us to show the school values in action and take joy around the village with us.

- **Alfie K, Year 6**

Year 1 Harvest Church Service

The Year 1 children took part in a Harvest Festival church service at All Saints Church. They embraced the meaning of Harvest and enjoyed sharing some songs, a poem and prayer with all of the visitors that attended the service.



The following prayer was read out by the Year 1 pupils during the Harvest Service at All Saints Church

A Harvest Prayer (By Brenda Williams)

Thank you for the harvest.
When fruits and berries grow.
Thank you for the ripening corn.
Planted long ago.

Thank you for the autumn
And a warm sunny day.
Thank you for the harvest
And crops to store away.

Thank you for the sugar beet
And fields of new mown hay
To feed the cows and horses
When winter comes to stay.



Wreath Making Workshop

The PTA will be holding two wreath making workshops on the following dates:

Wednesday 27th November 7.30 – 9.00pm

Which will be a traditional foam base wreath with a local florist. This will consist of a mixture of greenery, baubles, bows and trims which will all be available to customise your wreath.

Thursday 28th November 6.30 - 8.30pm.

Which will be a tinsel wreath with a local florist. Colours can be chosen before the event (colour in image is just an example).

Children welcome with parental supervision (suggested age 8+)

Tickets are £35 per wreath (welcome drink for the adult).

Location – the small hall.

Spaces are limited.

Bookings for both workshops can be made at our PTA events shop using the following link:

[Brixworth CEVC Primary School PTA](#)

If you have any questions please contact Sarah on:

brixworthprimarypta@gmail.com





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10am-4pm
Drop-in Crafts
Mon 28 Oct - Fri 1 Nov

4-12yrs | drop-in
£1 per child (cash only)

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Presents...**

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GOING ON A
BEAR HUNT**

*FOR
FAMILIES*

*BRINGING
STORIES TO LIFE*

**THE ELVES
AND THE
SHOEMAKER**

**free tickets: search for us on:
www.eventbrite.co.uk
bring cash for the tuck shop!**



**Sat 2 Nov
11am**

based on books by: Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler, Michael Rosen & Helen Oxenbury and the Brothers Grimm

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JULIA DONALDSON  AXEL SCHEFFLER

 **ZOG** 
Puzzle Trail

Sat 26 Oct - Sat 2 Nov

4-12yrs | drop-in
£1 per child (cash only)

Can you impress Madam Dragon and
pass all the tests in Dragon School?

There's a small treat if you can!

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Following Jesus Together

Brixworth Remembers Sunday 10th November 2024

Leaving at 10:00 a.m. from
outside the Library & Community Centre

Walking to All Saints' Church for an
Outdoor Family Service at 10:30 a.m.
Led by
Rev. David Reith
& Rev. Andy Lloyd-Williams

Laying of Wreaths and 2 minutes Silence
at 11:00 at the Memorial

Please join us in an event for the whole village
Refreshments afterwards at the Brixworth Centre



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currently in
Year 6?**

**Apply for Year 7
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**Application Deadline:
31 October 2024**



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ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2024

CHOOSE RESPECT

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

Monday 11th to Friday 15th November

ODD SOCKS DAY 2024

Tuesday 12th November

The Song of the Week this week is..

Ooops! I Did It Again
By Britney Spears



10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE TO BUILD EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE

With increasing societal pressures, many children struggle with managing emotions, facing challenges and processing failure in a healthy way. This is why building emotional resilience in young people is vital for their mental health and personal success. This guide provides practical strategies for parents and educators to help children develop resilience and foster confidence, adaptability and a positive mindset.

1 ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATION

Regularly engaging children in open dialogue fosters trust and emotional expression. Encourage them to share their thoughts and feelings freely without judgment. Set aside time daily, perhaps during dinner, to ask open-ended questions such as, "What's made you happy today?". This encourages children to express themselves openly.

2 MODEL POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Children often learn how to manage emotions by observing adults. By modelling calm and positive responses to challenges, you can teach them valuable emotional management skills. If you've had a difficult day, verbalise how you're feeling and explain how you plan to handle it, such as "I'm a bit worked-up, so I'm going for a walk to clear my mind."

3 TEACH PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS

Helping children break down challenges into manageable steps encourages a proactive mindset. Explain that every problem has a solution, even if it's not immediately obvious. For example, if a child is stuck on homework, support them in breaking the task into smaller steps, saying things like "Let's focus on just this first question for now."

4 FOSTER A GROWTH MINDSET

Encourage young people to view mistakes as learning opportunities. A growth mindset helps them see setbacks as part of the process, rather than something to be upset about. After a child loses a game or performs poorly on a test, for example, ask them what they've learned from the experience. This reinforces the idea that effort – and even failure – leads to improvement.

5 PROMOTE SELF-CARE PRACTICES

Teaching children about self-care helps them understand the importance of balancing work with relaxation to maintain emotional wellbeing. Parents and carers could start a screen-free hour before bedtime where the family engages in relaxing activities like reading, setting an example to the child for how to unwind.

6 BUILD HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

Strong relationships with peers and adults provide a support system that enhances resilience. Encourage positive, respectful interactions to develop social skills. Playdates or group activities can be instrumental in teaching children how to resolve conflicts with friends by modelling and practicing calm communication.

7 SUPPORT EMOTIONAL AWARENESS

Helping children to identify and name their emotions allows them to manage those feelings more effectively. When a child's upset, encourage them to talk to you about what they're feeling in an empathetic and supportive manner, and ask them why they might be experiencing these emotions.

8 ENCOURAGE INDEPENDENCE

Giving children opportunities to make their own decisions boosts confidence and problem-solving skills. A good example of this would be letting children choose and pack their own lunches for school, guiding them with options but allowing them to assume responsibility for the task to help them take ownership.

9 DEVELOP COPING STRATEGIES

Teaching children techniques like mindfulness, deep breathing or journaling can help them to manage stress. Show them how to perform breathing exercises when they're feeling anxious, and practise this regularly. Reinforcing this behaviour in young people will make it easier for them to use these techniques of their own accord during stressful moments.

10 CELEBRATE SMALL WINS

Recognising effort, no matter how small, reinforces perseverance and encourages children to keep trying. After a child completes a difficult task, makes progress on a project or reaches another type of personal goal, praise their efforts. Emphasise the hard work they've put in and be sure to let them know how proud you are!

Meet Our Expert

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