



March Newsletter Spring Term 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Here is our March newsletter! February has been very busy here at Three Bridges Primary school, thank you for all of your support and for being such an important part of our school community. There are lots of great news stories in this month's newsletter, please do read through and enjoy all of the photos of our brilliant events.

Highlights from February include;

- * Termly Learning Conferences - we have had very positive feedback so far - thank you for taking time to complete our survey - we will share the results soon!
- * Fantastic Anti-Bullying work from School Council on the upper site - this year's team are very proactive and have already led an assembly to let the children know that bullying and racism are not tolerated at Three Bridges.
- * Pear Class thoroughly enjoyed the visit from the Book Bus!
- * Forest school has discovered frogspawn and very active frogs on the lower site; we are trying to work out how to save them if the rain stops!
- * Impressive improvements in standards in Writing; lots of children sharing their work proudly for headteacher awards.
- * Year 1 visited Leeds Castle and had the best day!
- * The police visited Year 3; so many positive comments from the children and the staff!
- * We had a brilliant response to the Silver Coin Challenge; thank you to everyone who donated. The winning classes were Holly Class and Beech Class. We will announce the grand total as soon as possible. We had so much money donated that The Friends are still counting (and possibly requesting extra fingers and a strong cup of tea!)

Assemblies

These happen daily at Three Bridges. There is a combination of collective worship (multi-faith), singing and class assemblies. Friday's celebration assembly gives us an opportunity to share our successes for the week; best class attendance, LEARNER classes of the week and TEAM points feature every week, along with celebrating what the children do out of school, like sports events, trophies or medals they have received. Once a month, we have the Cake Raffle. Congratulations to the lucky children on Friday who took a delicious cake home for their family. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff who contribute the cakes and especially to my Friday assembly helpers; you all know who you are!

Governors update

Governors have been busy working with school leaders on financial matters this month, plus recruiting a new parent governor; busy times ahead. Thank you to all of the governors for their hard work, support and challenge for our school.

Coffee morning - save the date!

We are keen to work with parents and carers; it is vital to forge positive relationships with everyone in our community. Please get in touch with the school as soon as possible should there be any issues. My next coffee morning will be on Friday 20th March at 10am. Please come along, it's good to hear how we are doing.

Here's to a brilliant March, everyone!
Mrs Emberson, Headteacher

Blue Team - 1068

Red Team - 1068

Yellow Team - 1023

Green Team - 1062



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Celebrations



BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE OF THE MONTH

Huge congratulations go to



Elm Class *with 92%*
&
Sycamore Class *with 98%*



Super job!!

BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE so far...

Huge congratulations go to



Holly *with 92%*

&



Maple & Sycamore *with 97%*

Keep up the good work!

BEST TEAM ATTENDANCE so far...

Huge congratulations go to



Red & Yellow Team *with 93%*



It is very important for children to come to school every day and arrive on time. This helps them learn, make friends, and feel happy and confident.

All children on our school list, including Nursery children and children under 5, should attend school every day.

Children should only stay at home if they are unwell or if the school has agreed to the absence.

Missing school, even at a young age, can make learning harder and can affect how settled children feel.

Thank you for supporting your child to attend school every day and on time.

If you have any questions or would like to talk about attendance, please contact the school office.
Thank you for your support.



CAKE RAFFLE

The cake winners today were



Antonia on the Lower Site

and

Gabriella on the Upper Site



The cake raffle will be held once a month

Please contact The Friends at friends@tbps.org.uk if you would like to volunteer, support or find out more about what you can do to help.

EGM Postponed

Please be advised that the **Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)** has been **postponed**.

The meeting will now take place on:

Monday 20th March
2:00pm – 3:00pm
Upper Site

We apologise for any inconvenience this change may cause and appreciate your understanding.

We look forward to seeing you all then.



Mother's Day Gift Shop
Friday 13th March
Lower Site & Upper Site



Children will have the opportunity to visit the shop and choose a special gift for someone they care about.

You can buy your ticket here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofthreebridges/>

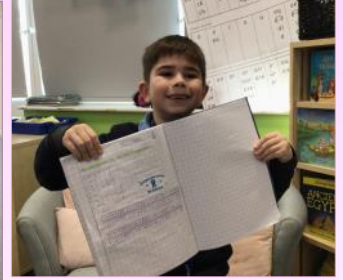
Make this Mother's Day extra special with a thoughtful surprise!

As always, we need volunteers to help with this event.





Headteacher Awards



We are delighted to celebrate our recent Headteacher Awards, recognising children who have demonstrated exceptional effort, progress, and commitment to our school values.

These awards are a wonderful opportunity to highlight the hard work and positive attitudes shown across the school.

We are incredibly proud of all the children. Well done to each and every one of you!

Sport



TBPS had a great time attending many sporting events in February. At these events, the children have a fantastic opportunity to connect, engage, and be part of the excitement. Here are a couple of photos capturing some of the highlights!

February Highlights



Forest School

After a very wet term, Forest School is starting to show signs of new life.

Cherry trees are brightening up the forest with their pink flowers and, where daffodils bloom, it gives us all a little hope of better days to come.

Birds are returning and rehearsing their songs, frogs have found a new home in our old pond; buds and catkins are popping up every day.



Year 2

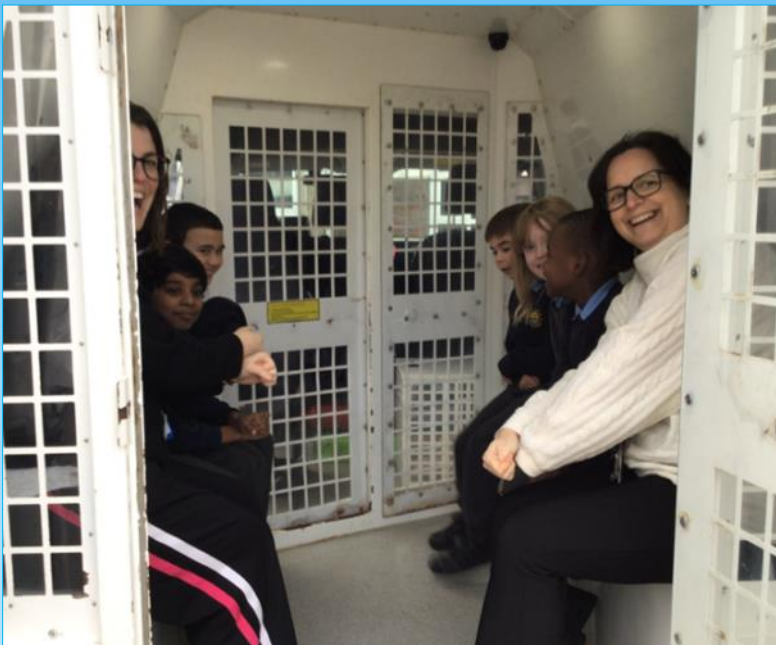


In our latest science investigation, children explored the strength of different materials through hands-on testing and observation

In our spelling session, the children practised new words and learned helpful spelling rules.



February Highlights



Year 3 had an amazing experience this half term; they were visited by two police officers.

The children learnt all about the different types of hats the police workers wear and were very excited to be allowed to go inside a real police car and van.

The children asked some great questions and were able to listen to their radios going off!

Thank you to Katie and Dan for a wonderful time!

We will be sure to say hello to police officers when we see them around.

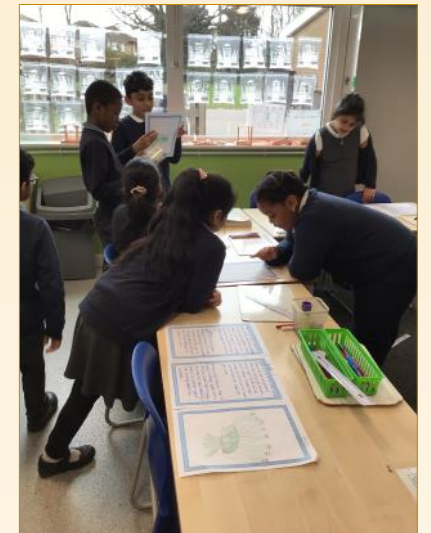
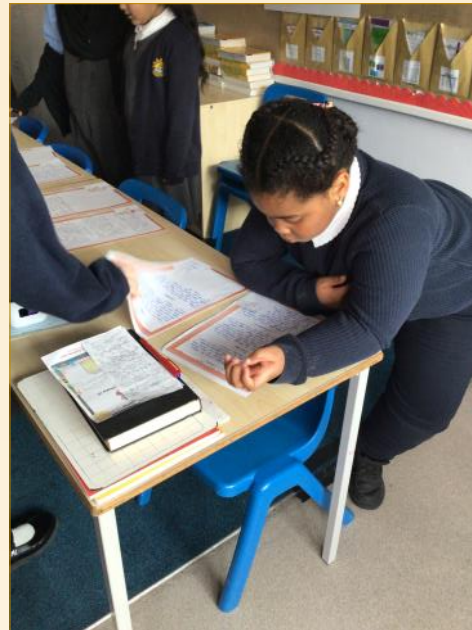


The Silver Coin Challenge – thank you for your donations!



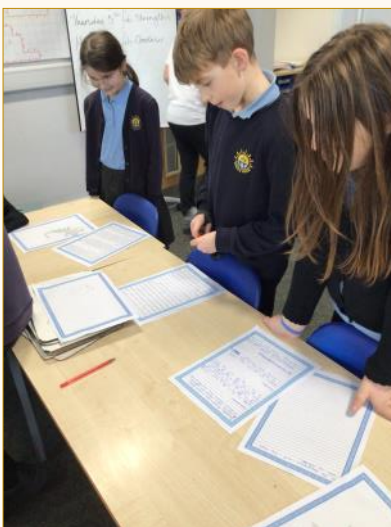
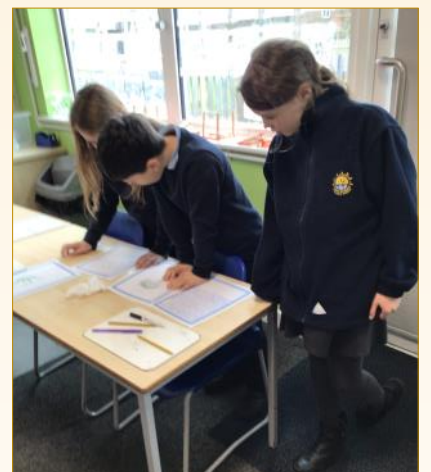


Year 4 Writing Showcase



The children have made great progress this year so far in spelling and writing sentences, paragraphs and whole pieces. There is certainly more pride in our Writing at Three Bridges.

Well done Year 4!





The Seedlings and The Saplings



Our Seedlings and Saplings had a very exciting visit from a special feathered guest this week — an owl! The children were thrilled to see the owl up close and learn all about where it lives, what it eats and how it hunts. They listened carefully to fascinating facts and had the chance to ask lots of wonderful questions.

It was a fantastic hands-on learning experience that sparked curiosity and helped the children learn more about wildlife and the natural world.



On Friday, The Saplings enjoyed a fun and hands-on cooking session where they made their own delicious fruit salad.

The children practised their chopping and mixing skills safely, learned about different fruits, and talked about the importance of healthy eating. They worked carefully and showed great teamwork while preparing their tasty creations.

Best of all, they loved getting to enjoy the colourful fruit salad they made themselves!





Year 5 Taco Making



As part of our topic on Mexico, the children have been learning about Mexican culture, traditions, and food. To bring our learning to life, we enjoyed making and tasting our own tacos. They smelt delicious!

The children explored the different ingredients commonly used in Mexican cuisine and practised important skills such as preparing food safely, following instructions, and working together.

It was a fantastic hands-on experience that helped us understand more about Mexico's rich food culture.

We were so impressed with everyone's enthusiasm and their taco-building skills!





Safeguarding update



Sexual and Sexist Bullying - Anti-Bullying Alliance

Sexual and sexist bullying is when someone is mean or unkind to another person because of their gender (whether they are a boy or a girl) or says or does things that make someone feel uncomfortable about their body. Sometimes people say this behaviour is "just a joke" or "just growing up," but it is not okay. If it is ignored, it can keep happening and make people feel upset, scared, or unsafe.

This kind of bullying can happen when someone thinks a person is not acting the way boys or girls are "supposed" to act. Girls are often affected the most, but boys can be hurt too. Children who are LGBT or who have additional needs can also be at greater risk. This type of bullying can happen in any school. It is important that all adults take it seriously, listen carefully, and make sure everyone feels safe and protected. Here is a link for more information:

<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/all-about-bullying/sexual-and-sexist-bullying>

Safer Internet Day 2026 - February 2026

Safer Internet Day is a special day around the world. It reminds children and adults to think carefully about how we use the internet and technology.

The theme for 2026 is: *Smart tech, safe choices – learning how to use AI safely and responsibly.*

This year is about understanding AI and other smart technology, because they are becoming a big part of everyday life. Instead of being scared of new technology, we want children to learn how to use it wisely, think carefully, and make good choices online.

- Remind everyone how to stay safe online
- Talk about AI and how to make good choices when using technology
- Remember that staying safe online is important all year, not just for one day

Useful resources from the UK Safer Internet Centre:

Top tips for parents and carers

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026/top-tips-for-parents-and-carers>

Top tips for children and young people

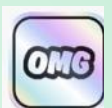
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You can find more information here:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2026>

OMG

This is an app that has been created for children aged 9-18 years. It is similar to "Tinder" but allows children to send crushes to one another. Once received, they can speak to others and share their exact location. This is a big concern, and please ensure extra vigilance with children using devices.





Young Artists' Summer Show



The Royal Academy in London is running a children's summer exhibition again this year. Would your child like to submit a piece of art? There is no theme and it is free to enter.

Three Bridges Primary School have now been registered, so as a parent of a child at this school you will be able to submit one piece of art that your child has done.

The art work must be original, not copied.
Judges are looking for imagination, originality and skill.

Each submission can include a short-written statement, written by the artist themselves (if possible) and can include why they created the work and what it means to them.

If you would like to submit a piece of art and find out more information about the exhibition and the submissions process please go to:

<https://youngartists.royalacademy.org.uk/>

Parents & Carers can submit art work on behalf of their child. Just click on register/submit and follow the instructions to upload your child's artwork.

Submission is open until 4th March 2026

Good Luck!!





Dates for your diary



March 2026

Mon 2nd-Fri 6th	Termly Learning Conferences EYFS
Mon 2nd	Year 3 Cricket Festival at K2 from 1pm Chestnut Class to Brownings Farm
Tues 3rd	Firefighter visit EYFS
Wed 4th	Year 3/4 Girls Football Festival at Broadfield 3G from 1pm EYFS - TLC day
Thurs 5th	World Book Day
Mon 9th	Easter Explored - Year 4 at St Richard's Church
Tues 10th	Let's Dance Festival At The Hawth afternoon and evening!
Wed 11th	Chestnut Class to Brownings Farm
Thurs 12th	Year 3/4 Badminton Festival at K2 from 1.30pm
Fri 13th	Mothers' Day shop
Mon 16th	Juniper Class to Brownings Farm
Wed 18th	Silver Birch to Brownings Farm
Thurs 19th	KS1 Girls Football Festival at TBCC from 2pm
Fri 20th	Comic Relief. Coffee morning with Mrs Emberson 10am on the upper site.
Mon 23rd	Chestnut Class to Brownings Farm Downs Syndrome Awareness day - wear lots of socks! Year 3/4 Tennis Festival at Cricket Tennis Club from 1pm
Tues 24th	Year 3 Cinema Trip 8.30 - EYFS - Stay and Learn (Maths) Nursery and Reception 12.00 - EYFS - Stay and Learn (Maths) Nursery
Wed 25th	Juniper Brownings Farm
Thurs 26th	Silver Birch to Brownings Farm
Fri 27th	Friends Cake Raffle. Colour Run celebrating Holi festival (more details to follow)

Mon 30th March – Fri 10th April EASTER HOLIDAYS

April 2026

Mon 13th Back to school

May 2026

Mon 11th—Fri 15th Year 6 - End of Key Stage 2 tests week

Mon 25th-Fri 29th HALF TERM

June 2026

Mon 8th Year 1 Phonics screening

Mon 1st—Fri 12th Year 4 Multiplication check

July 2026

Fri 3rd Summer Fair

Fri 10th Sports Day

INSET DAYS:

Monday 20th July to Wednesday 22nd July 2026



Brownings Farm Dates



Year 1	Chestnut	2nd March	11th March	23rd March
Year 1	Juniper	4th March	16th March	25th March
Year 1	Silver Birch	9th March	18th March	26th March

Reception	Apple	18th May	3rd June	8th June
Reception	Cherry	20th May	4th June	10th June
Reception	Mulberry	21st May	5th June	11th June

Year 5	Cedar	20th April	30th April	11th May
Year 5	Cypress	22nd April	6th May	13th May
Year 5	Sycamore	29th April	7th May	14th May

Year 6	Yew	15th June	22nd June	29th June
Year 6	Larch	18th June	23rd June	30th June
Year 6	Ash	19th June	25th June	2nd July



Year 6 - Swimming Dates

Swimming Lessons - every Thursday

Larch Class

05/01/2026 to 27/03/2026

Yew Class

13/04/2026 to 17/07/2026

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