

# Brent Knoll Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023



**Dear Parents/Carers:** Yesterday, a day when we had 100% attendance, we took the opportunity to have a fire drill. The children (from pre-school to year six) undertook the practice with the seriousness it deserved and made their way in silence to the front garden within a very short time. With the help of a passing dog-walker we then took a whole school photo to celebrate the occasion.

Kind regards Chris Burman

**Attendance:** Well done to Y6 who had the best attendance in Week 3 at 96.3%.

The overall attendance for the school in Week 3 was 95.0%.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> This is a useful link to an NHS web-site that gives information on whether your child should come to school, assuming they are unwell.



On Tuesday afternoon, a group of key stage 2 children travelled over to the studio of local artist and friend of the school, Judith Champion (photos left). Judith's studio is currently open for Somerset Arts Week and it is well worth a look. Whilst the children and Mrs Bond were visiting Judith they were given a wonderful tutorial on how to create art with ink and reed pens. The reed pens are literally made from the reeds we see in the local rhynes and the effect they created was amazing. We plan to do more of the same at school.



Thank you to the parents and friends who came to see the members of Griffin Class read their poems this afternoon. Being able to perform in public is a real skill and a great confidence booster, and it's great to see such young children doing this. Hopefully, after Christmas, we will be able to continue this aspect of school life by taking part in the Highbridge Festival.

Even though we are in the Wessex Learning Trust, we still have a local governing body. If you would like to find out more about being a school governor, please ask at the office. We are also keen to have new volunteers to support our children's learning, especially in reading. (All voluntary posts will require a DBS certificate).

As you may know, our school meals have been provided by Berrow primary school for some ten years, but now the catering team there is in the hands of commercial caterers, Aspens. The quality of the meals has really improved, so it may be a good time to try out what they have on offer. If you would like details, please contact the school office and ask to speak to Mrs Sinnott.