

Friday 5th December 2025



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Bransty Christmas Tree

On **Sunday 7th December** Bransty Community Group are having a Christmas tree light switch on at the Harbour View Care Home.

On Thursday our Year 5 Mini Police went and decorated the outdoor tree at the care home with their handmade decorations. It will look lovely on Sunday with the lights switched on!



Social Work Student

We are pleased to welcome Miss Tinkler, a social work student, to our school community. She will be working closely with Miss Storey to support the delivery of wellbeing interventions across the school, helping to promote positive emotional health for our pupils. During her time with us, Miss Tinkler will also be observing how safeguarding practices operate within a school setting. We are delighted to have her with us until March next year and look forward to the valuable contribution she will make during her time with us.

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Queen Bee Lunch

On Monday children who were awarded the star hoodies and postcards for November enjoyed a queen bee lunch with Buzzby and Mrs Fearon. The children were very polite and very appreciative of their treat from Buzzby! Great work has also gone into the Hall of Fame.



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Christmas Fair

There was an AMAZING turnout last Friday at our Christmas Fair-
THANK YOU to everyone who kindly donated items for the Fair and
everyone who came along and bought items and played the games-
it is very much appreciated!

We raised **£415.76** for School which is incredible!

Congratulations to Aurora in Year 4 who won the 'guess the number of sweets in the jar'

There are still numbers left to pick to win the knitted Santa- we will have these available at next weeks Christmas plays.



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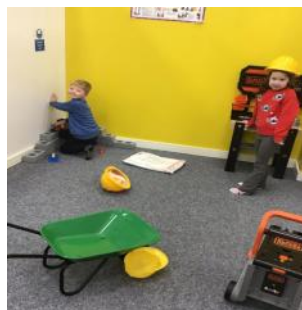
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Nursery and Reception Christmas Trip

On Thursday the Nursery and Reception children had their Christmas Trip at Rainbow City Play Centre. They enjoyed 2 hours of fun play and got to meet Santa who gave them all an early Christmas gift!





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Christmas Hampers

We would be very grateful to receive any donations from parents/ carers for our annual Christmas Hampers this year.

There are no themes this year for each class as we have had previously; any items would be greatly appreciated and can be handed in at Reception at any time.

There will be the opportunity to win some of the hampers - raffle tickets for these will be available to purchase on the 'shop' section of the app-£1 each.

The winners will be announced at the carol service on **Tuesday 16th December.**

Thank you in advance!



Christmas Parties

Please see below for this years Christmas Party dates; children can come into school dressed in Christmas/party clothes on these days.

Friday 12th December (pm)	Years 3 and 4
Monday 15th December (pm)	Nursery and Reception Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 17th December (pm)	Year 1 and Year 1/2

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Choir Care Home

On Wednesday the Choir visited the Harbour View care home and the Keekle mission where they delighted the older generation with Christmas songs both old and new. They sounded amazing and the joy and warmth they brought to the lives of those spectating was clear for all to see. A truly heart-warming day that got everyone in the Christmas spirit and you could feel a true sense of community and respect from both young and old.

As always the children were on top form and had countless compliments about their behaviour and performance.



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Year 1 and 2 Visit to The Care Home

The Year 1 and 2 children and staff were left feeling fabulously festive yesterday after a trip to Harbour View Care Home. The children behaved impeccably and made us feel so proud with their beautiful singing of the songs from Knock Knock Nativity. There wasn't a dry eye in the house as they sang and signed their way through 6 songs.

An unexpected visit

As we arrived at the care home, it was clear that they weren't quite ready for us and asked us to come back in ten minutes. Just like Mary and Joseph on their way to Bethlehem, we had to go and find somewhere to shelter - from the rain! Mrs Hetherington suggested that we could ALL fit in her nana's house, which was just across the road. We were met with a warm welcome from Mrs Jones who directed us into her living rooms, from which point the children broke into song, bringing some extra Christmas cheer to a Bransty resident! Well done all children.



Choir Peddler

On **Wednesday 10th December** the choir will be singing in The Peddler from **10a.m** and then over in **Tescos** afterwards; we would welcome as many parents/carers to come and enjoy listening to them singing Christmas Carols as are able to make it!



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Christmas Dinner Day Friday 12th December 2025

This years Christmas Dinner day will take place next **Friday 12th December 2025.**

There will be a choice of a traditional turkey Christmas dinner/vegetarian option/jacket potato/sandwich followed by a delicious sticky chocolate pudding!

Children can wear Christmas jumpers and themed headwear to school that day.



Annual Christmas Carol Service

We have our annual Christmas Carol Service which will take place on **Tuesday 16th December 2025** at St. James's Church. It will begin at **1.30p.m** and last approximately 1 hour.

We welcome all parents/carers to join us for this carol service.

Children will be transported to the church by bus from school but are to be collected by their parents/carers at 2.30pm from the church. We will NOT be returning to school.

THERE IS NO BEEHIVE AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION ON THIS DAY.

There will be no nursery afternoon provision on this day; please could all children be collected at 12 midday.

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Dates 25-26

Monday 8th December 2025	Christmas Disco's Years 1, 2 and 3 3.30-4.30p.m Years 4, 5 and 6 4.45-5.45p.m
Wednesday 10th December 2025	10a.m Choir The Peddler and Tesco's 2p.m Nursery/Reception Christmas Play 5p.m Year 1 Year 1/2 Christmas Play
Thursday 11th December 2025	2p.m Year 1 Year 1/2 Christmas Play 5p.m Nursery/Reception Christmas Play
Friday 12th December 2025	Christmas Lunch Day (wear Christmas jumpers) Years 3 and 4 Christmas Party (pm)
Monday 15th December 2025	Nursery and Reception Christmas Party (pm) Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party (pm)
Tuesday 16th December 2025 1.30P.M	Christmas Carol Service St.James' church ALL CHILDREN TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE CHURCH NO BEEHIVE ON THIS DAY
Wednesday 17th December 2025	Years 1 and 1/2 Christmas Party (pm)
<u>Friday 19th December 2025</u>	<u>Break up for Christmas 1.30p.m</u> <u>(wear Christmas jumpers)</u>



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Dates 25-26

SPRING TERM 1

Tuesday 6th January 2026	Staff INSET Day
<u>Wednesday 7th January 2026</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Weeks commencing 12th and 19th January 2026	Year 5 Swimming Sessions
Monday 19th January 2026	Year 3 Parent/Carer Lunch
Wednesday 20th January 2026	NO BEEHIVE due to Staff Training
Weeks commencing 26th January and 2nd February 2026	Year 1 Swimming Sessions
Friday 30th January 2026	Parent/carers Coffee Morning
Thursday 5th February 2026	Young Voices Years 5 and 6
<u>Friday 13th February 2026</u>	<u>Break up for Half Term</u>



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SPRING 2

<u>Monday 23rd February 2026</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Thursday 26th-Friday 27th February 2026	Year 3 Residential Hawes End
Friday 27th February 2026	Parent/carer Coffee Morning
Thursday 5th March 2026	World Book Day
Week commencing 16th March 2026	Scholastic Book Fairs
<u>Friday 27th March 2026</u>	Parent/carer Coffee Morning <u>Break up for Easter Holidays</u>



SUMMER 1

<u>Monday 13th April 2026</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Wednesday 29th April to Friday 1st May 2026	Year 4 Residential to Coniston
<u>Monday 4th May 2026</u>	<u>May Bank Holiday– school closed</u>
Week commencing 11th May 2026	Year 6 S.A.T'S
<u>Friday 22nd May 2026</u>	SPORTS DAY <u>Break up for May Half term</u>



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SUMMER 2

<u>Monday 1st June 2026</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Friday 5th June 2026	Whole School Walk
Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th June 2026	Year 6 Residential to London
Friday 19th June 2026	Back up Sports Day
Thursday 25th June 2026	Back up Whole School Walk
Friday 26th June 2026	Parent/carer Coffee Morning
Wednesday 1st July 2026	Move up / Transition Day
Thursday 2nd July 2026	Civic Hall Extravaganza (Years 3-6)
Friday 3rd July 2026	Nursery Sports Day/Teddy Bears Picnic
Wednesday 15th July 2026	Year 6 Leavers Bash
<u>Friday 17th July 2026</u>	<u>Break up for Summer 1.30p.m</u>



PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE DATES ARE PROVISIONAL AND
MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND WE STILL ARE
CONFIRMING MORE EVENTS AND WILL ADD THOSE AS
THEY ARE CONFIRMED.