



Brewood CE Middle Academy



"Let all you do be done in love"

Headteacher's Newsletter

Autumn 14

Good Ofsted Provider

16th January

The Vision for our Academy

We value and cherish every member of our community and celebrate their uniqueness.

Our values led curriculum promotes a love of life and learning inspiring every individual to be a respectful, resilient, and faithful global citizen.

KS2 Attendance: 5TW—100%

KS3 Attendance: 7JC—99.2%



Dear Families

Happy New Year and what a year it has already been and we are only 16 days into it! Christmas seems such a long time ago but I hope that you had a peaceful and safe festive period.

I am pleased to say that the pupils have settled back well into their school routine and with all the disruption caused by the 'winter weather' it is great to see all the pupils returning to their learning. I would like to also welcome to all our new starters at Brewood (both staff and pupils) and hope that they will enjoy their time with us. Miss Hall has joined us to teach MFL in Key Stage 3 whilst Mrs Borland has taken over from Miss Cox teaching English to Year 7. We also welcome Miss King to Brewood Middle who will be teaching Mr Slater's math's class and also my science classes in Year 8. I am sure that our new starters will introduce themselves more fully over the next couple of weeks.

I have spoken to many of the pupils about how they have spent their holiday with lots of them talking very fondly about the time that they have spent with family and friends. Many of our pupils are of the age now when they understand the importance of family and recognise the sadness that Christmas can bring to some families who have lost loved ones over the last 12 months.

It is very nice to hear how keen pupils are to get back to their learning and to return to their lessons along with their friends. Last week's church worship focused on the New Year and making realistic resolutions for 2026 that give us the best possible chance of achieving them. Pupils also looked at the idea that no one can predict what the future will bring and that they are in charge of their future and can achieve what ever they want to with the correct attitude. They should therefore look forward with anticipation of what is to come in 2026.

Mr Smith

At Brewood CE Middle Academy

Good attendance means...

Being in school at least 97% of the time or 184 to 190 days

365 days in a calendar year



100% Attendance
Best Chances of success.
"Well Done!"



97% Attendance
Best Chances of success.



90% Attendance
Peer attendance - less chance of success.
"I'm worried"



85% Attendance
Peer attendance - less chance of success.



80% Attendance
Very poor attendance - serious impact on education and reduces life chances.
"I'm seriously concerned"



75% Attendance
Very poor attendance - serious impact on education and reduces life chances.

St Chad's Academies Trust





Year 5 have had a fantastic opportunity this week to meet the animals that we may encounter in our current book 'The Explorer'.

We are learning about the Amazon Rainforest, as well as reading 'The Explorer', and pupils have been enjoying our new topic so far. It has been great to see so many enthusiastic and brave pupils and we hope to inspire pupils further throughout the new topic!



Term Dates



AUTUMN TERM 2025

Inset Day 1: Monday 1 September

Inset Day 2: Tuesday 2 September

Term Starts: Wednesday 3 September

Holiday: Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October

Term Starts: Monday 3 November

Term Ends: Friday 19 December at 1.30pm

Holiday: Friday 22 December—Friday 2 January

SPRING TERM 2026

Inset Day 3: Monday 5 January

Term Starts: Tuesday 6 January

Holiday: Monday 16 February—Friday 20 February

Term Ends: Friday 27 March

Holiday: Monday 30 March—Friday 10 April

SUMMER TERM 2026

Term Starts: Monday 13 April

May Day: Monday 4 May

Inset Day: Friday 22 May

Holiday: Monday 25 May—Friday 29 May

Term Ends: Friday 17 July at 1.30pm

Inset Day 5: Monday 20 July

Holiday: Tuesday 21 July—Monday 31 August

END OF
TERM!!!

The logo consists of the words 'WHAT'S' and 'ON' in a bold, sans-serif font. 'WHAT'S' is in black text on a yellow rectangular background, and 'ON' is in white text on a red rectangular background. The two rectangles are slightly offset from each other, with 'ON' appearing to be in front of 'WHAT'S'. The entire logo is enclosed within a red rectangular border.

WHAT'S

ON

January 2026

19th Interims Reports—Emailed Home

20th Year 5 Bikeability

21st Year 5 Bikeability

22nd Year 5 Bikeability

27th Year 6 Bikeability

28th Year 6 Bikeability / 5.30pm Year 5 Information Eve for Whitemoor Lakes

29th Year 6 Bikeability

February

3rd Chinese New Year / Chinese Themed Lunch

4th 6KW Parents' Lunch

9th Children's Mental Health Week

10th SEND Coffee Morning / Height & Weight Checks/4—7pm Parent's Consultation Evening—Years 5 & 7

11th 6AC Parent's Lunch

13th Valentines Day Themed Lunch / **3.30pm End of Term**

23rd Term starts for pupils and staff

24th 4—7pm, Parents' Consultation Years 6 & 8

25th 5AS Parents' Lunch

26th 3.45pm Preloved Uniform Shop Open

March

2nd National Careers Week

5th World Book Day and Themed Lunch Available

9th Ski Trip Departs to France

Attendance Reminder

Dear Families

Welcome back following your Christmas holiday, we hope you had an enjoyable time; we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and healthy 2026.

At the start of this New Year, we wanted to send you some reminders about attendance here at Brewood. Children attending school every day and on time is vital in helping to ensure they reach their full potential. Aside from the fact that we love seeing your children every day; by attending regularly they are experiencing a broad and balanced curriculum, a wide range of learning opportunities and building their self-esteem.

We work hard at Brewood CE Middle Academy to promote good attendance and are delighted that at the end of each term we are able to celebrate with pupils who have achieved 100% attendance throughout that term. However, we realise that sometimes our pupils are too poorly to attend school and we therefore ask parents to inform the school office as soon as possible to explain why their child will not be in school on that day. We have a dedicated absence line for this purpose: 01902 850266 option 1.

We ask you to ensure that your children are punctual to the academy to ensure that they are in registration at 8:45am. Pupils must be on site no later than 8:40am.'

You will be aware of the DfEs changes to school attendance and how each pupils' attendance is monitored by our Local Authority, please see our website for further information around fines for holidays in term time etc.

We really do appreciate your support in ensuring your child maintains high attendance and punctuality, however we also realise that sometimes you and your child may require some help from us - we would urge you to reach out to your child's form teacher in the first instance. If they feel further support may be required they will refer it to a member of our pastoral team.

Working together is important to us

Thank you for your continued support



A vibrant red poster for Chinese New Year. At the top, two glowing orange lanterns hang from a string of yellow tassels. The title 'CHINESE NEW YEAR' is written in large, bold, yellow capital letters. Below the title, a dark red banner contains the date 'TUESDAY 3 FEBRUARY' in white. The word 'MENU' is written in a white, elegant cursive script. The menu items are listed in white capital letters: 'SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN SERVED WITH BOILED RICE', 'GRAB & GO - CHICKEN CHOW MEIN', 'VEGETABLE SPRING ROLLS & FRIED RICE', and 'LEMON CAKE OR CHINESE BISCUITS'. The bottom of the poster features a black silhouette of a horse running through stylized orange and yellow clouds. On the left and right sides, there are illustrations of traditional Chinese pagodas with blue roofs and yellow walls. The entire poster is framed by a yellow border.

CHINESE NEW YEAR

TUESDAY

3

FEBRUARY

Menu

SWEET & SOUR CHICKEN SERVED WITH BOILED RICE

GRAB & GO - CHICKEN CHOW MEIN

VEGETABLE SPRING ROLLS & FRIED RICE

LEMON CAKE
OR
CHINESE BISCUITS

LUNCH

Week 1



W/C 01/09, 22/09, 13/10, 03/11, 24/11, 15/12, 05/01, 26/01

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza 	BBQ Chicken & Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips
MAIN 2	Crispy Topped Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake 	Tasty Red Pepper & Bean Biryani 	Hearty Quorn Roast, Roast Potatoes 	Sweet Potato, Leek & Cheese Calzone 	Crispy Quorn Nuggets & Chips 
VEG	Half Jacket & Green Beans	Fresh Broccoli	Carrots & Cabbage	Sweetcorn	Carrots & Peas or Baked Beans
3 rd OPTION	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli
DESSERT	Freshly Baked Chocolate Cookie 	Plum Sponge Pudding & Custard 	Pear Upside-Down Pudding 	Fruity Jelly Pot 	Lime & Coconut Cake 
AVAILABLE DAILY: A selection of fresh seasonal fruit (cut or whole) () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () () (					

LUNCH

Week 3



W/C 15/09, 06/10, 27/10, 17/11, 08/12, 19/01, 09/02

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN 1	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slab (V)	Jerk Chicken & Rice	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes	Beef Burrito	Fish Fingers & Chips
MAIN 2	Creamy Leek & Cheese Pie (V)	Authentic Chickpea & Spinach Curry, Rice (V)	Golden Sausage Roll (Ve) & Roast Potatoes	Hearty Spaghetti & Meatballs (Ve)	Jerk Hot Dog & Chips (Ve)
VEG	Wedges & Sweetcorn	Roasted Cauliflower	Savoy Cabbage & Roasted Squash	Focaccia & Green Beans	Carrots & Peas or Baked Beans
3 RD OPTION	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli	Pasta, Jacket Potato & Deli
DESSERT	Apple & Cinnamon Flapjack (Ve)	Chocolate Mousse (V)	Pear & Ginger Cake (Ve)	Autumn Fruit Pie & Custard (V)	Freshly Baked Vanilla Cookie (Ve)
AVAILABLE DAILY: A selection of fresh seasonal fruit (cut or whole) (Ve), flavoured yoghurts (V) as well as freshly baked bread (V) & seasonal salad bar (Ve). Third option includes vegan and vegetarian items.					

MENU KEY



Vegetarian



Vegan and Planet Friendly



New Dish



Concerns about your child

If you should have any concerns about your child, your first point of call should be their class teacher, you can contact them via class charts or email the school office.

Please give them at least 3 days to respond to you, by doing this, the class teacher will investigate any issues or concerns surrounding your child.

Thank you for your support.

Brewood Community Managed Library

Help with IT and Assistive Technology Awareness for the visually impaired.

Beacon Centre for the Blind will be at
Brewood Community Managed Library
on **Thursday 22nd January**
between 10am and 1pm.

Providing technology support and advice to people who are living with Sight Loss or at risk of developing sight loss, Barrie, an IT and Assistive Technology trainer, will be on hand to share his own personal experience of sight loss and expert IT advice to all. He will also be able to demonstrate the technology he uses that helps him to live a full and independent life.

Please come along and join him.



**YOUR LIBRARY –
LOCAL VOLUNTEERS
LOOKING AFTER YOUR
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Brewood Community Managed Library

Brewood's Very Own Olympic Torch Bearer!

10am to 11.30am

Saturday 24th January 2026 at
Brewood Community Managed
Library.

Come and join us and meet
Beccy Jones-Reading
Olympic and Commonwealth Torch
Bearer as she shares her
experiences and maybe, you might
get a picture of the original torch!



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RE Parable of the week— By Mrs S Kemp

Parable of the Winter Solstice

In a small village, the people felt abandoned during the long, dark winter days. Each year, as the winter solstice approached, they gathered in the town square, sharing stories of hope and light. This year, an elderly woman named Miriam spoke of the promise of dawn after the longest night.

She reminded them of the birth of Jesus, the Light of the World, arriving during the darkest times. "Just as the sun returns after the solstice," she said, "so too does Christ bring hope and renewal."

Inspired, the villagers lit candles and placed them around the square, symbolizing their faith in Jesus' light. As they sang hymns, they felt warmth and unity, realizing that even in darkness, love and hope could shine brightly.

From that day, they celebrated the winter solstice not just as a turn of the season, but as a reminder of Christ's light illuminating their lives and hearts.

LET US PRAY

In RE this week all of our pupils have been studying world views - looking at the winter solstice. This is a time when we look to new beginnings and hope for the future.

Dear Lord,

Today is a new day; a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it, any regrets, mistakes, or failures we may have experienced. It is a good day to be glad and give thanks. Thank you for today, a new opportunity to love, give, and be all that we can be.

Amen.

YOUR WORLD



Have you got any news about your child that you would like to share?

Let's celebrate your child's achievements!



Ethan in Year 6 is a member of Wolverhampton Wheelers and recently competed in the West Midlands Cyclo Cross League.

He is competing in 9 out of 12 races, finishing 18th out of 24.

Well done Ethan, we are all so very proud of you.

To submit a story on 'YOUR WORLD' —email : - K-haynes@brewood.staffs.sch.uk for the attention of the Newsletter Editor.