

Brambles Bulletin Easter 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reflect on the Spring term, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your unwavering support. Your continued involvement in our academy community makes such a positive impact on the lives of our children, and we are truly grateful for your dedication through what has been a very busy time for us.

This term has been filled with amazing experiences and achievements, from exciting classroom projects in science, RE and memorable events like 'World Book Week', our academy disco and a range of academy visits including visiting Hadrian's Wall, the Life Centre in Newcastle, PD Ports and AV Dawson in Middlesbrough.


Looking ahead, the Summer term is going to be fun packed. We have a range of exciting activities and learning opportunities planned, and we can't wait to share these with you and the children. We hope you will really enjoy some of the amazing things we have planned and look forward to inviting you into the academy for some new and exciting ways. Not least because Brambles will be celebrating 90 years since opening this Summer and we are in the process of planning an amazing festival for everyone to get involved in.

Thank you again for your ongoing support,

Mr Mayle

Key Dates for Summer Term

The following are the Key Dates for Summer term. These dates are not the only events, but just a few dates of note.

<u>Summer 1</u>	<u>Summer 2</u>
05.05.25 - Bank holiday: academy closed	02.06.25 - Return to academy from half term
08.05.25 - Go Well: Quidditch day	02.06.25 - Year 4 MTC Assessment Week
09.05.25 - VE Day 80 celebration	03.06.25 - Year 4 trip to Kildale
12.05.25 - KS2 SATs week for Year 6	09.06.25 - Y1 Phonic Screen check week
19.05.25 - 'Bikeability' week for Year 6	09.06.25 - Maths parent open afternoon
20.05.25 - Art sessions for Year 6	09.06.25 - Year 6 visit to Beamish
22.05.25 - POW day for representatives from Year 5	11.06.25 - Year 3 trip to Duncombe Park
21.05.25 to 23.05.25—Year 6 Camping	13.06.25 - Maths Curiosity Day
23.05.25 - Finish for half term	17.06.25 - Year 5 & 6: Athletics competition
	20.06.25 - Go Well: Skipping day
	23.06.25 - 25.06.25: Trust production of Shrek
	27.06.25 - Sports Day (parents & children)
	30.06.25 - Silent Disco
	03.07.25 - Diamond Standard Awards
	11.07.25 - Summer Festival celebrating Brambles 90th birthday!!
	14.07.25 - Attendance award afternoon
	16.07.25 - Brambles Fun Day (children only)
	21.07.25 - PD day: academy closed

VE Day 80

We're excited to let you know that **Brambles Primary will be celebrating VE Day 80** with a fun and memorable day of activities on **9th May 2025**. Although we enjoy celebrating this day every year, this year is extra special because it is **80 years since the first celebration of Victory in Europe to mark the end of the Second World War**.

Throughout the day, children will take part in a variety of activities to help them learn about and commemorate **Victory in Europe Day**. These activities will be both educational and engaging, helping our pupils to understand the significance of this important moment in history.

To mark the occasion, we'll also be hosting a **British-style tea party for lunch**, creating a traditional **street party atmosphere** to give the children a real taste of the celebrations that took place in 1945.

We would love the children to come to school dressed in **British colours (red, white and blue)** or in **costumes inspired by the 1940s era** to help bring the day to life.

We're really looking forward to a wonderful day of learning, reflection, and celebration, and we can't wait to share some of the special moments with you afterward.



Summer Festival for 90 Years of Brambles

This year marks a truly special milestone — **Brambles Primary is celebrating 90 incredible years** since opening its doors in 1935!

To honour this occasion, we'll be reflecting on the rich history of our school and celebrating everything Brambles has been over the decades — from providing **respite for children during evacuations in the war** to delivering an **outstanding offer for the children who attend today**. We are incredibly proud to be part of this legacy.

As part of our celebrations, we are currently **collecting memories and photographs** from across the years. If you or your family have any stories, pictures or memorabilia from Brambles — either from your own school days or from relatives — we'd love you to share them with us! You can **Email them to:** brambles@tved.org.uk or **bring them into school**, and we will copy and return them to you.

Join Us for a Big Summer Celebration!

To mark our special birthday in style, we will be hosting a **big summer celebration on Thursday 11th July** here at the academy.

The event will be **opened by our school choir**, and there will be **stalls, rides and exciting experiences for both children and adults** to enjoy — a real community celebration for all!

We can't wait to bring everyone together to celebrate everything Brambles has meant to so many over the last 90 years. Thank you for being part of our journey — past, present, and future.