Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

Autumn 2 week 2

W/E 15th November 2019

On Monday we remembered those who lost their lives in the war through a Remembrance Day assembly.

This week has been Anti-Bullying Week and the School Council led a themed assembly on Wednesday, well done children!

Today (Friday) we all took part in fundraising for Children in Need. We loved the Joe Wicks workout and all got hot and sweaty taking part!

VENN Academy Trust – School Improvement

On Monday we welcomed Mr David Reedy and Dr Wayne Tennent in to school to provide further training to our KS2 teachers on reading. The session was great and the strategies have already been put into practice. Thank you to the Y6 children who took part in the training.

On Wednesday we had a visit from the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM), who carried out an audit of Maths teaching with our Maths lead, Mrs Brady. We have been following the Mathematics Mastery teaching programme for over a year and the feedback from the NCETM was very positive. We look forward to working with them more closely throughout the year.

Attendance

The law says that parents do not have the right to take their child out of school for holidays during term time except in exceptional circumstances. If you take your child on holiday during term-time without the schools authorisation this will be recorded as unauthorised absence and may result in parents being issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice.

In total there are 175 non-school days a year. This gives families the opportunity to:

- spend time together
- go on family visits
- go on holiday
- go on days out
- attend routine appointments

Christmas Performances

Apologies, there was an error on last week's newsletter. The correct dates are:

- EYFS – Wednesday 11th December
- KS1 – Monday 9th December
- LKS2 – Friday 13th December
- UKS2 – Tuesday 10th December

Parent survey

We value your views and ideas. Currently only 24 parents have completed the survey. We encourage all parents to complete it to help us understand what we are doing well and where we need to improve. Please complete the survey at https://forms.gle/xAfKkhyy-RXCxGKu17

School Leaders

As previously communicated, this year we have put in an extra level of leadership to support school improvement

- Mrs Aston - EYFS Teaching and Learning Leader (and F2 teacher)
- Miss Saul – KS1 Teaching and Learning Leader (and Y2 teacher)
- Mr Farrand – KS2 Teaching and Learning Leader (and KS2 Assistant Head)
- Mrs Baxter – Special Educational Needs Coordinator (and F2 teacher)

We ask that, where possible, the class teacher is your first point of contact, however if further assistance is needed, please contact one of our leaders who will try their best to deal with any questions or concerns.

In addition, we try to make sure a school leader is on duty at the front of the school each morning. Please come and have a chat if you have any questions or concerns.

Wishing all of our families a lovely weekend.

Mrs Emma Levers, Head of School