



Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News



Spring 1 Week 6

W/E 14th February 2020

We apologise for the limited communication from the Academy. School Jotter, which we used for newsletters and updates, is no longer available. Our new website is available, but still under development. Until further notice we will send weekly newsletters by paper each Friday.

Learning update

The spring term curriculum themes are in full swing! We have seen lots of wonderful learning taking place throughout school.

Attendance

Our Attendance Challenge has been well received by the children! We are (quite literally) blown away each Friday in Celebration Assembly when we announce the weekly winner!

The winners of the prizes for week are:

	<u>EYFS</u>	<u>KS1</u>	<u>Lower KS2</u>	<u>Upper KS2</u>
Class	F2 Mrs Aston	Y1 Mr Moore	Y4 Miss Merry	Y5 Mrs Brady
Prize	Box of tasty treats to share	Extra break time	Indoor games session	Box of tasty treats to share

The prizes on offer over the next 2 weeks are:

	<u>EYFS</u>	<u>KS1</u>	<u>Lower KS2</u>	<u>Upper KS2</u>
WC 24/02	Croissants and jam	Toast for break time	Extra Break and a biscuit	Dip in the box
WC 02/03	Watch a cartoon	Fun Time Friday – short games activities	Computer Games session	Non-uniform day

This attendance challenge will run up to Easter. Please support us by ensuring your child attends every day.

Current attendance figures

	<u>EYFS</u>	<u>KS1</u>	<u>Lower KS2</u>	<u>Upper KS2</u>	<u>Whole school</u>
Start of term - current	91.3	93.2	93.9	94.9	93.7

These are exceptionally low for our school. The whole school target is **96%**. Please support us in achieving this by sending your child every day.

Important Dates for the Spring Term

<u>Date</u>	<u>Events</u>
Tuesday 11 th Feb	Safer Internet Day. Digit Leaders to lead whole school assembly
Thursday 13 th Feb	Valentines Disco
Friday 14 th Feb	Special assembly (Pupil of the term – selected parents invited)
Friday 14 th Feb	Last day of term (spring 1)
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st Feb	Half term holiday
Monday 24 th Feb	Children return to school (start of Spring 2 term)
Wednesday 26 th Feb	Y1 – Y6 School Council Representatives to visit Thorne Food Bank
Wednesday 26 th and Thursday 27 th Feb	Spring Term Parents Evening
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day (letter to follow)
Tuesday 10 th March	Parent Kind parent/carer coffee morning @ 9.00am
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th March	Brooke Academy Wellbeing Week (including Sports relief). Letter to follow
Tuesday 17 th March	Friends of Brooke Fundraising Group meeting @ 3.15pm. All invited.
Monday 1 st April	KS2 Easter Egg decorating competition – further details to follow
Thursday 2 nd April	Special Assembly (Pupil of the term – selected parents invited)
Friday 3 rd April	Y3 Trip to Sandall Beat Wood
Friday 3 rd April	Y6 Trip to Crucial Crew
Friday 3 rd April	EYFS and KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade – further details to follow
Friday 3 rd April	Last Day of Term (Spring 2)
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Monday 6 th – Friday 17 th April	Half term Holiday
Monday 20 th April	School Closed to the Children – Staff Training Day (Curriculum Focus)
Tuesday 21 st April	Children return to school (Start of Summer 1 term)

Curriculum Leadership

As an academy we are working hard to develop our curriculum offer. The heart of our curriculum includes:

- Developing children as readers – inspiring a love of reading
- Exciting learning Opportunities – developing cultural capital
- Emotional wellbeing

Each teacher in our academy leads a curriculum subject. Please get in touch with them if you have any ideas or feedback about their subject

<u>Lead</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Mrs Whitfield (F1)	Parental Engagement
Mrs Baxter (F2)	Special Educational Needs
Mrs Brown (F2)	Healthy Living Healthy Lives
Mrs Aston (F2)	Early Years Lead (F1&F2)

	Teacher Training
Mrs Hennigan (Y1)	Phonics
Mr Moore (Y1)	Science Children's University
Miss Saul (Y2)	KS1 Lead (Y1&Y2) Art
Mrs Head (Y2)	Personal Social and Health Education – PSHE Sex and Relationship Education – SRE
Miss Gough (Y3)	Design and Technology – DT
Miss Flaherty (Y3)	Geography
Miss Jackson (Y4)	Religious Education
Miss Merry (Y4)	Modern Foreign Languages – MFL*
Mrs Brady (Y5)	Maths
Mr Thomas (Y5)	History
Mrs Marshall (Y6)	English
Miss Jackson (Y6)	Computing
Mr England	Music
Mr Farrand	KS2 Lead (Y4 – Y6) English Maths
Mrs Levers	Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development – SMSC Curriculum Physical Education – PE

*French is taught in Y3 – Y6

Farewell

With great sadness we say farewell to Ms Goulter, who has worked across Brooke and Marshland for the last 6 years. Ms Goulter is an outstanding PE coach and we thank her work with our children. Ms Goulter attended our special assembly today so we could say farewell, however she will continue to work with us on special events.

The school website / Facebook / Twitter

The new school website is now available. Please see this at brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk

We are moving on to twitter very shortly and our Facebook page will end. Further details will follow.

Morning Arrangements

The change to morning arrangements has had a positive impact on punctuality and has created a much calmer start to the day for the children. Thank you for our support with this.

Wishing all of our families a safe and restful half term holiday. We look forward to seeing the children back in the academy on Monday 24th February

Mrs Emma Levers, Head of School