

# Brooke Primary Academy

## Weekly News

As we approach the half term holiday, we wanted to say a huge thank you and well done for all the hard work and effort that parents at home have put in to support online learning. We know that managing the remote learning, your own work and family pressures is exceedingly difficult and we take our hats off to you in the way that you have persevered with what are exceptionally difficult circumstances. We have decided to make you all 'stars of the week' this week. We wish everyone a well deserved break during half term.

### Pupil of the week

Well done to the following children who have been awarded pupil of the week for going the extra mile with their learning / displaying the school value's. Children coming into school or accessing remote learning can be awarded the certificate, which will be posted out each week.

Class	Pupil
F2 Mrs Binns/Baxter	Darcey C
Y1 Mrs Brown/Miss French	Jobey G
Y1/2 Mrs Head	Oliwer G
Y2 Miss Hennigan	S Robinson
Y3 Miss Saul	Miley R
Y3 Mr Moore	Rainer L
Y4 Mrs Parkin	Maisy M
Y4 Miss Merry	Iesha L
Y5 Mr Farrand/Mrs Sanders	Macey H
Y6 Miss Jackson	Abbie S
Y6 Mrs Marshall	H Daniels



### Home- School Partnerships

Pupil	For
Summer S	Working super hard at home, working independently and being patient whilst mum is working.
Maia E	Learning to tell the time at home
Reeva E	Learning to tell the time at home

### School Council

Thank you to the school council representatives who attended the meeting on Tuesday. Details of the meeting can be found here:

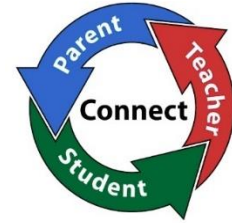
[Academy-Student-Council-Agenda-and-Minutes-09-02-21-1.pdf](#)  
([brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk](http://brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk))



### **Parent Focus Group**

A big thankyou to the parents who attended our first meeting on Thursday.

The minutes from the meeting can be found here [Parent-Focus-Group-meeting-agenda-and-minutes-11-02-21.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](https://www.brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk/parent-focus-group-meeting-agenda-and-minutes-11-02-21.pdf)



### **Art and Design**

#### **Art and Design Challenge**

Each week I am going to set a weekly Art and Design challenge for pupils to take part in at home. We would love to see photos of the children taking part in these challenges and the final pieces they produce. There will be dojo points for those pupils taking part and prizes to be won for WOW work.

The first Art and Design Challenge- Can you make a frozen sculpture or a frozen picture?

I look forward to seeing how creative you can be!

Have fun!

Mrs Binns



#### **Creation Station online club**

Does your child love making? Do they think that paint and glue are great? Would they enjoy a creative club with other arty crafty kids? Create Club is an online arts and crafts club run by experienced teacher Deirdre Gage. Find out more about online Create Club here [Create Club 5-11 Years - Sunday@11:15 - Chesterfield \(thecreationstation.co.uk\)](https://www.thecreationstation.co.uk/create-club-5-11-years-sunday-11-15-chesterfield)

Creation station provides the craft resources you need for each session. If you sign up, the craft pack will be available for collection from school from Fri 26<sup>th</sup> February, ready for the first session.



## **Healthy Learning, Healthy Lives**

### **Accreditation**

We are now an accredited Healthy Learning, Healthy Lives school. I just wanted to say thank you to all the staff, parents and children for getting involved with the programme and helping me achieve the accreditation. We will continue to promote and support health and wellbeing for all children and staff.

### **Home Learning**

On the HLHL page you will find some home learning activities. Please use the following link: [HLHL | Brooke Primary Academy](#). If your child completes any of the activities please can you send them into school in your child's home learning pack with their name on.

### **HLHL Ambassador**

Is your child passionate about promoting healthy living?

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and would like to become a HLHL ambassador please can your child let their teacher know in class or through zoom so they can give them a form to complete saying why they would like to become a HLHL ambassador. The deadline for the completed application is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Thank you, Mrs Brown HLHL Lead

## **Religious Education**

### **Pancake Day**

Please take some time to read some interesting information about Pancake Day and its traditions.

[Pancake-day.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)

Mrs Parkin has arranged for the 'Pancake Bell' at St Nicholas' Church to be rung on Pancake Day at 11:00am. Listen out for it!

We would love you to send in photos or videos of you taking part in pancake related activities! Take photos or videos of your pancake pandemonium and email them to [br-admin@vennacademy.org](mailto:br-admin@vennacademy.org) – we'd love to see how you get on!

Happy Pancake Day!

## **Mathematics**

### **Maths Whizz**

Just a reminder to access Maths Whizz at home during half term. Just 30 minutes a week makes such a big difference to a child's progress.



W/E 12<sup>th</sup> February 2021

## PSHE

### Dreams and Goals

This half term the PSHE focus has been 'Dreams and Goals'. It would be great to see photos of your child achieving their goal and a caption of the goal they set themselves i.e. more exercise.

Please send photos to me at [BRK-KS1@vennacademy.org](mailto:BRK-KS1@vennacademy.org)

### Healthy Me

The focus for Spring 2 is Healthy Me! We have asked the children to think about a Healthy Me goal and share this with us during assembly on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

Thank you, Mrs Head

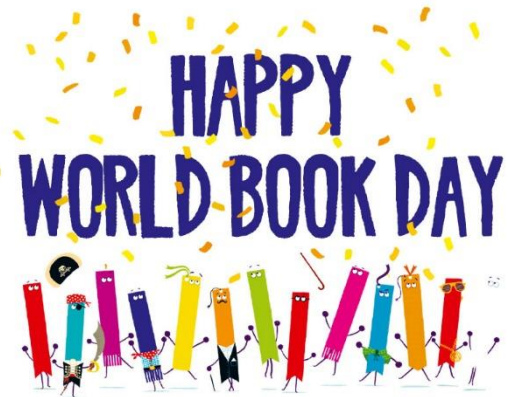
### Fundamental British Values

As we enter Spring 2 term we will be focusing on 'Individual Liberty'. Our curriculum has opportunities for all aspects of British Values to be embedded but we will look specifically at this aspect when we return.

## English

### World Book Day

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March we will be celebrating World Book Day. We ask the children to come to school in their pyjamas and we will be enjoying a range of activities in school. For those who are home learning, we will do an assembly on World Book Day, where you too can dress in your pyjamas. When you come to collect your next home learning books, we will ensure we have included some activities for you to do at home too. We look forward to celebrating the love of reading with you!



### Communication

Central queries should be sent to: [BR-admin@vennacademy.org](mailto:BR-admin@vennacademy.org)

The following email addresses are accessed by teachers and support staff working in the phase and should be used for direct queries and questions related to learning. Please note that we will aim to respond within 48 hours, however as you will appreciate, the demands placed on staff currently are extremely high so please be patient with us.

EYFS: [BRK-EYFS@vennacademy.org](mailto:BRK-EYFS@vennacademy.org)

KS1: [BRK-KS1@vennacademy.org](mailto:BRK-KS1@vennacademy.org)

LKS2: [BRK-LKS2@vennacademy.org](mailto:BRK-LKS2@vennacademy.org)

UKS2: [BRK-UKS2@vennacademy.org](mailto:BRK-UKS2@vennacademy.org)

## **COVID-19**

Please remember to contact us at [BR-admin@vennacademy.org](mailto:BR-admin@vennacademy.org) if your child has been in school and tests positive for COVID-19 during the holidays.

## **Values Trail**

Have you seen the Thorne Times this week?

Can you spot all of Brooke's values around Thorne on your daily walk for a chance to win a family night in treat box?

Return your entries to Brooke Primary Academy before **25th February 2021**. A post box will be placed outside the school.

Be sure to include your full name, address and phone number in case you are the lucky winner! The winner will be contacted and announced in the next issue of Thorne Times. Good Luck!



## **Important Dates**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine's Day

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Pancake Day

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day <https://youtu.be/LRDsqu3D9D4>

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Red Nose Day

February Half term – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

Easter Half term - Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March, reopening on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April



Wishing everyone a restful half term.

Emma Levers

Head of School

