

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

What a busy, fun-filled week we have had!

This week, we have had two Educational Psychologists come to look around the school. The Local Authority are wanting to share good practice across Doncaster and have requested to visit a few schools with a focus on how we can support children with identified Special Educational Needs. Brooke Primary was picked as one of these selected schools because of our good practice, and we were proud to show them how we support our children through the adaptations to teaching and personalised provision for pupils. The visitors were very happy with what they observed and took away some good strategies to share with other schools.



Special Visitors

We welcomed Amy from the Doncaster RE team back to our school on Monday to share the story of Advent with us before Advent begins on Sunday 3rd December. She brought in some delicious presents for us to unwrap as she retold the story.

Then, in the afternoon, all our Year 5 children came together to unwrap Christmas in a workshop with Amy and Pauline from the Doncaster RE team. The children had lots of fun making baubles and retelling a traditional version of the Christmas story.



We also welcomed Pastor Kevin into school. Pastor Kevin spoke to the F1 and F2 children about the meaning of a Christingle. He then worked with year 1 where they asked him lots of questions about life as a Christian. The children even found out what Pastor Kevin gets up to on Christmas Day.



Inter-school Rugby Tournament

Brooke played in an inter-school rugby tournament against Marshland, Green Top and King Edward. The tournament took place at the Moorends Marauders Ground. The team played well and displayed a lot of skill, scoring plenty of tries.

Mr Whitfield said, "The team competed well and displayed a lot of sportsmanship."

Brooke Primary would like to thank the Moorends Marauders organisation, particularly Shaun Roberts, for their help with the organisation of the event and for hosting the event. It was a great night which the children really enjoyed.



Stone Age Day

Last Friday, year 3 had the best day celebrating the Stone Age. They took part in a prehistoric fossil hunt, fossil sketching, recreated Stonehenge and became archaeologists for the day. It was a busy day with lots of learning and fun!



Miss Low's Science Bulletin:

Tetrodotoxin, the neurotoxin that makes a blue-ringed octopus deadly, also protects Taricha newts as they share a similar toxin. Research has now shown that theories that the males were deadlier has been disproved and that female toxin-producing newts are surprisingly more poisonous than males.

Area of science: Biology



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Ivy-B P	Bodyrockers Star of the Week
Darcey C	Achieving her dancing certificate
Ellie R	Team leader whilst playing against Edenthorpe
Hayden-P C	His superb attitude to dealing with a difficult event in his life
Mila-H B	Coming 1 st in the under 9's championship in Irish dancing
Hattie R	Working hard in Trix Training

Headteachers Award

Pupil	For
Sylvie P	Her act of kindness and generosity
Hollie S	Her ambition to drive and succeed
Hattie R	For working hard in Trix training



Pupil of the Week W/E 30.11.23

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 values.

Class	Pupil
F1 Mrs Whitfield	Rosie C
F2 Ms Hutt	Leo M
Y1 Miss Brown	Elliott C
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Iulian M
Y2 Miss Flaherty	Lucy S
Y2 Miss Green	Maisey G
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Reeva E
Y4 Miss Jackson	Evie R
Y5 Miss Low	Lilly B
Y5 Mrs Potter	Grace K
Y6 Mr Farrand	Rhys C
Y6 Mr Thomas	Alicia L



Attendance Challenge Winners – W/E 24/11/2023 (Autumn 2, Week 4)



Attendance is at or above the school target of 96%

Attendance is between 92 – 96%, below school target and being monitored

Attendance is below 92% and significantly below the school target of 97%. Action to improve attendance needed

Phase	Class	Percentage	Winner
EYFS	F1 Mrs Whitfield	93.5%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt	92.6%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	94.5%	Y1 – Miss Hennigan Monday 4 th December
	Y1 Miss Brown	95%	
	Y2 Miss Flaherty	94.5%	
	Y2 Miss Green	94.3%	
LKS2	Y3 Mrs Roberts	95.2%	Y4 Miss Jackson – Storytime with a different teacher
	Y4 Mr Jones	96.7%	
	Y4 Miss Jackson	98.1%	
UKS2	Y5 Miss Low	97.5%	Y5 Miss Low – PJ Day Thursday 7 th December
	Y5 Mrs H Potter	88.7%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	93.7%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand/Mr Whitfield	95.4%	
Total	94.62%		

Important Dates

Autumn 2 (2023 – 2024)

- Wednesday 13th December – F1 and F2 Christmas Nativity Performance 9.30am [Christmas-Letter-for-all-year-groups.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Tuesday 12th December – Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Nativity Performance 9.30am and 2.15 pm [Christmas-Letter-for-all-year-groups.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 15th December – Christmas Jumper and Christmas Dinner Day (Order on School Grid)
- Wednesday 20th December – Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Performance 9.15am and 2.15pm [Christmas-Letter-for-all-year-groups.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Thursday 21st December – Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Service at Thorne Methodist Church [Christmas-Letter-for-all-year-groups.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 22nd December – Final day of term – Party food lunch (to order on School Grid) and party clothes day

Have a wonderful weekend.

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