

# Brooke Primary Academy

## Weekly News

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break and made lots of wonderful memories with your families. This week, we have welcomed some new children along with our nursery early starters. Going to a new place, without familiar faces can be very daunting for anyone, but our new 3-year-old children have taken in their stride and settled in perfectly. We can not wait to watch their confidence and personalities grow.

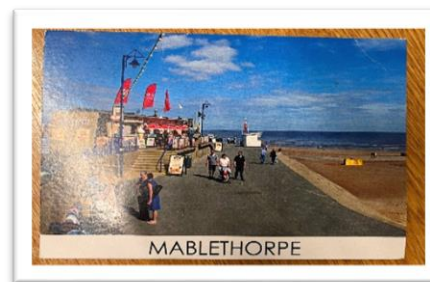
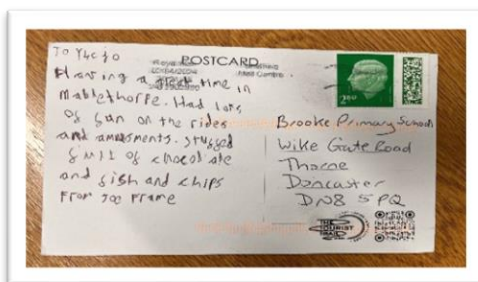
Assembly this week was all about our current PSHE theme 'Relationships'. The children discussed what a relationship means and knew that they consisted of friends, different family members and other members of the community such as police, teachers, shop keepers and so on. They talked about what makes a healthy relationship with others, for example: respect, kindness, care and compassion. We compared the ingredients needed to bake a cake with relationships needing lots of different qualities to make them whole.



### Post Card

Year 4 had a lovely surprise awaiting their return this week; Joe (one of the Year 4 students) whilst on holiday had written and posted a post card to his class telling them all about his adventures. Thank you so much Joe.

As a school, we would really love to receive more post cards and put them on display for all to read. So, if you are going on adventures and would like to write and send us a post card, we would love to share them.



### TT Rockstars Competition

Before half term, Brooke children took part in a times tables competition with Marshland. All the children worked really hard to score points for Brooke. We are happy to say that we won the competition with 111,918 correct answers. A big well done to everyone who participated"

Position (Out of 2 schools taking part)	School Total Correct
1 Brooke Primary Academy, Doncaster	111,918
2 Marshland Primary Academy, Doncaster	41,485

### Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

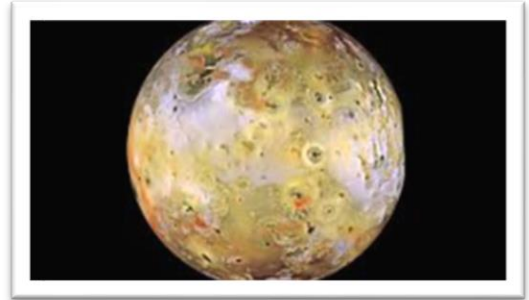
The online shop is now open to order the Y6 Leavers Hoodies – please click on the link below for further details

[Y6-Leavers-Hoodies-Online-Shop-Letter-2024.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](https://www.brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk/Y6-Leavers-Hoodies-Online-Shop-Letter-2024.pdf)

### Miss Low's Science Bulletin:

Jupiter's moon Io has possibly been erupting for a very, very, very long time. Io is the most volcanically active body in our solar system, with some of its volcanoes shooting magma higher than planes on Earth fly

**Area of science:** Astronomy



### Picture News

Every Thursday afternoon, the children take part in a 'Picture News' assembly. This is used to support the personal development of the children. Picture News provides children with opportunities to develop their learning further through news stories that inspire them. It exposes children to a range of current issues including political, religious, cultural, environmental, social, moral and spiritual. It makes British Values relevant and meaningful which develop links between personal, school and community values. It also allows children to demonstrate respect and tolerance.



Each week, we will share with you the topic of discussion for you to discuss with your child at home.



## In the news this week

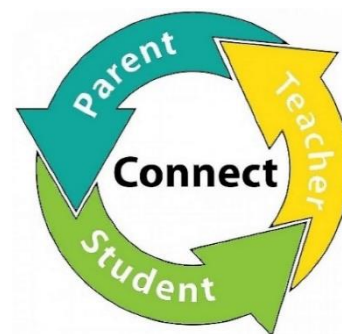
A new artwork, from the mysterious street artist Banksy, appeared in North London overnight in March. The artwork shows green paint sprayed on a wall behind a cut-back tree to look like greenery, with a stencil of a person holding a spray can next to it. In the days following its creation, it was covered with plastic and surrounded by wooden boards to protect it. The local council, Islington, has added a frame around the site, which has plastic panels to allow people to view the artwork, whilst ensuring its protection.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your experience of graffiti. Is there any in your local area?
- What is your definition of art?
- Do you like creating art? If so, what type?

### Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Hattie R	Her wonderful dancing achievements
Willow R	Her wonderful dancing achievements



### Pupil of the Week W/E 19.04.24

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	Penelope H
F2 Ms Hutt	Vincent G
Y1 Miss Brown	Dottie H
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Iulian M
Y2 Miss Flaherty	Libby W
Y2 Miss Green	Poppy T
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Mcauley M
Y4 Miss Jackson	Noah S
Y4 Mr Jones	Savannah C
Y5 Miss Low	Eric T
Y5 Mrs Potter	Michael P
Y6 Mr Farrand	Cameron J
Y6 Mr Thomas	Zak B



### Times Tables Rockstars

Well done to the following children who have achieved the most correct answers on TTR this week.

Times Tables Rockstars	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Oliver A
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Whitney A
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Freddie C



**'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'**

Improving school attendance is everyone's business and, to tackle the challenge we face, **we need to work together**. The Government has launched a national campaign, aimed at parents and carers, on the importance of school attendance. Our goal is to create a nurturing bond between parents and school, emphasising the pivotal role attendance has in enhancing their child's overall wellbeing. Being in school is essential to **your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development**.

**Attendance Challenge Winners – W/E 29/03/2024 (Spring 2, Week 6)**



- 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	94.4%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt	93.8%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	94.9%	Y1 – Miss Green – PJ day Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
	Y1 Miss Brown	95%	
	Y2 Miss Flaherty	94.5%	
	Y2 Miss Green	95.1%	
LKS2	Y3 Mrs Roberts	94.7%	Y4 – Miss Jackson – Extra ICT Slot
	Y4 Mr Jones	94.9%	
	Y4 Miss Jackson	95.6%	
UKS2	Y5 Miss Low	94.3%	Y6 – Mr Farrand/Mrs Sanders – Ice Pops
	Y5 Mrs H Potter	92.8%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	93.4%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand/Mrs Sanders	94.9%	
Total	94.4%		

**Lateness**

Being late adds up to a loss of learning

- If you are 15 minutes late every week, this adds up to a loss of 3+ days of education every year
- If you are 15 minutes late every day, this adds up to a loss of 2+ weeks of education every year
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How to help ensure your child arrives in school on time everyday

- get up early and make sure your child leaves the house on time
- prepare uniform and bags the night before
- attend breakfast club if needed (breakfast club opens at 07:30)
- if your child is unhappy or having problems at school, please ring to discuss these issues.
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Arriving late to school may cause difficulties for your child

- it may be embarrassing walking into a class that has already started working
- it disturbs lessons, impacting other pupils
- missing even part of a lesson can make learning more difficult
- lateness contributes to your child having a poor attendance record



# Good attendance at Brooke Primary Academy means...

...being in school at least  
96% of the time (183+ days)

175 days are non-school days  
This is a lot of time for shopping,  
appointments, holidays...

365 days in a calendar year



**DID YOU KNOW?** A two week holiday in term time means that  
the highest attendance you can achieve is **94.7%**

## Important Dates

### Summer 1

- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – F2 Oxmardyke Trip- [F2-Oxmardyke-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday – School closed to all children
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May – Y1 Cannon Hall Farm Trip - [Y1-Cannon-Hall-Farm-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup>- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Y5 National Railway Museum Trip [Y5-National-Railway-Museum-letter.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May -Year 4 Austerfield Residential Trip [Austerfield-Residential-2024.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – School closes for half term – There will be **NO** 326 club on this day
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Year 6 Leavers Hoodie Online shop closes

### Summer 2

- Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – School re-opens to all children
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – F1 William's Den Trip - [F1-Williams-Den-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Leavers Trip - [Y6-Leavers-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for the end of the academic year – There will be **NO** 326 club on this day.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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