

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

With Me In Mind

This week has been mental health awareness week. Mike Bell from With Me In Mind visited school to work with a group of children around **resilience**. The children discussed what they thought resilience was. The children then watched the incredible Heather Dorniden's recent race and the determination and passion she had to succeed. The children agreed to 'never give up, always keep trying'. The children then engaged in various activities and games that tested their own resilience, which they really enjoyed and displayed their own ability to be resilient.



Year 6 SATs

All of the staff at Brooke Primary Academy want to say a HUGE 'Well done!' to all of our Year 6 children, whom have been sitting their KS2 SATs examinations, this week. Despite all the usual nerves and worries, they have come in, remained focused and given their best; we could not have asked for any more from them. We're proud of you, Year 6!

Year 1 Trip – Cannon Hall Farm

Last week Year One visited Cannon Hall Farm. This visit was linked with their Science curriculum where they are learning about different animals. The children had the opportunity to see lots of different animals including mammals, reptiles and fish. The children particularly enjoyed seeing the baby animals. They saw a foal that was only one day old! The children listened very carefully to their guides and asked lots of interesting questions. The Year One team are extremely proud of how all the children behaved on this trip.



Year 4 - RE

Year 4 enjoyed a visit from Pastor Kevin, who kindly came in to speak about the Ten Commandments. Through two experiments, Pastor Kevin showed how the Commandments help Christians remain safe and happy in their lives. It was a lovely, interactive lesson that engaged all of the children.



Year 3 - Autobiographies

Last week during their English lessons, Year 3 wrote and published their autobiographies. The children are so proud of their books with many of them sharing their books with staff and other students in the school. These are displayed in the library for all to read and enjoy.



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:

When Astronauts land on mars, a couple of decades from now, they will want a way to communicate with loved ones on Earth, but WIFI isn't an option. Earth is simply too far away — around 55 million to 400 million kilometers, depending on where the planets are in their orbits. Spacefarers will need another strategy. Researchers are testing ways to upgrade existing networks, along with some far-out alternatives

Area of science: Computing



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.



TAKEHOME 15th - 19th May



In the news this week

Cambridge University has returned four spears to the descendants of an indigenous community in Australia, who crafted them. The four aboriginal spears are all that remain of the forty or so that British explorer, James Cook, and his team took from the Gweagal people more than 250 years ago. On their arrival in Australia in 1770, they became the first known Europeans to reach the country's east coast.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your response with someone at home to the news that the spears are being returned after 250 years. Do you both feel the same?
- > What belongings are important to you? Do you have any items from grandparents or other relatives that have special value to you?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Pupil of the Week W/E 17.05.24

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.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Pupil</u>
F1 Mrs Whitfield	Eddison H
F2 Ms Hutt	lyda B
Y1 Miss Brown	Harvey A
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Willow R
Y2 Miss Flaherty	Arrow A
Y2 Miss Green	Oliver C
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Willow R
Y4 Miss Jackson	Ellie S
Y4 Mr Jones	Khaleesi P
Y5 Miss Low	Kasey S
Y5 Mrs Potter	Maia E
Y6 Mr Farrand	All of Y6 LF/SS
Y6 Mr Thomas	All of Y6 BTH



Times Tables Rockstars

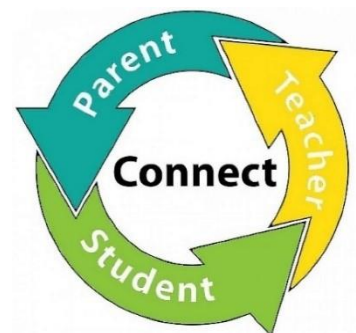
Well done to the following children who have achieved the most correct answers on TTR this week.

Times Tables Rockstars	
1 st	Cohen-Blake M
2 nd	Arlie A
3 rd	Harley-Jay M



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Milly H	Great skills at Aftershock Dance School
Ellie R	Fantastic participation at football
Addison W	Fantastic participation at football
Hallie R	Being super brave at all of her hospital appointments
Isla S	Completing her brownie promise
Zara B	Three amazing performances at Cast
Lucy H	Achieving Star of the Week at Bodyrockers
Freddie M	His contribution to charity



'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 10/05/2024 (Summer 1, 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	98.1%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt	93.4%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	99%	Y1-Miss Hennigan -Colouring slot
	Y1 Miss Brown	94.8%	
	Y2 Miss Flaherty	95.5%	
	Y2 Miss Green	97.3%	
LKS2	Y3 Mrs Roberts	96.9%	Y4 – Mr Jones – Colouring slot
	Y4 Mr Jones	98.9%	
	Y4 Miss Jackson	93.5%	
UKS2	Y5 Miss Low	97.9%	Y5-Miss Low – PJ day Tuesday 21 st May
	Y5 Mrs H Potter	90%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	94.8%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand/Mrs Sanders	95.7%	
Total	95.76%		

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

- Thursday 24th and Friday 25th May -Year 4 Austerfield Residential Trip [Austerfield-Residential-2024.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 24th May – School closes for half term
- Friday 31st May – Year 6 Leavers Hoodie Online shop closes

Summer 2

- Monday 3rd June – School re-opens to all children
- Friday 14th June – Y3 Go Ape
- Monday 17th June – Y1 and Y2 Sports Day 2.15pm
- Tuesday 18th June – Y3 and Y4 Sports Day 2.15pm
- Wednesday 19th June – F1 and F2 Sports Day 10.45am
- Friday 21st June – F1 William's Den Trip - [F1-Williams-Den-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Monday 24th June – School Development Day – Closed to all pupils
- Wednesday 26th June – Y5 Doncaster Mosque Trip [Doncaster-Jamia-Mosque-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 28th June – Y4 Conisbrough Castle Trip [Y4-Conisbrough-Castle.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Friday 28th June – Y6 Leavers Trip - [Y6-Leavers-Trip.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Wednesday 3rd July – Y5 and Y6 Sports Day 10am
- Friday 19th July – School closes for the end of the academic year – There will be **NO** 326 club on this day.

Have a wonderful Bank Holiday weekend.

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