

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

It has been a pleasure to welcome back all our Brooke students and meet so many new faces. It never ceases to amaze us how much the children grow throughout the six week break! The children look very smart in their uniforms and we appreciate the great efforts you have gone to; we are very proud of how our children look.

This week, it has been wonderful hearing about their summer adventures—many spent quality time with family and friends, enjoyed some well-earned free time, and caught up on sleep. They've certainly recharged their batteries and are ready to embrace the excitement and challenges ahead.

A special shout-out goes to our youngest students, who have shown such bravery and curiosity during their first week. All the staff at Brooke are eagerly looking forward to seeing many more lightbulb moments throughout this academic year.

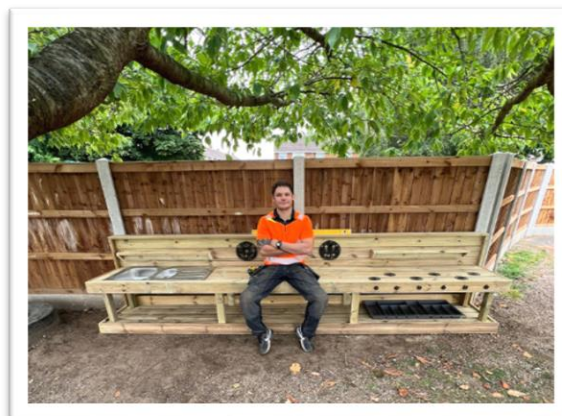
This summer has been a busy one in Brooke with lots of work taking place. We have had a new ceiling in KS1 and a fresh lick of paint throughout most of the school.

We are all looking forward to an exciting year ahead and we know it is going to be a fantastic term! As always, thank you for your continued support and if you do have any questions, then just ask! A successful partnership between home and school will lead to many great things.

Thank you

We would like to say a massive THANK YOU to Rob Brown, one of our brilliant parents, who kindly donated his time over the summer break to build a mud kitchen for our youngest children at Brooke Primary Academy.

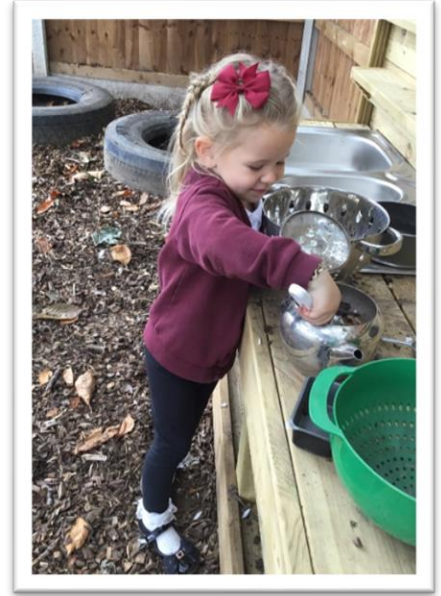
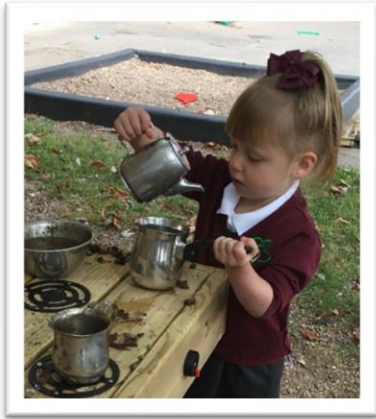
Mud kitchens are outside play stations which benefit children in many ways. They spark children's imagination, help them develop gross and fine motor skills and at the same time, enable them to explore the outside and the natural environment.



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As with many situations, budgets are tight, so to have someone who willingly gives up their own time and expertise is fantastic. Rob has gone above and beyond and has done a fabulous job. We are very grateful and appreciate all the time and effort Rob has put into making our outdoor area exciting for the children. It has been a huge hit this week, the children have LOVED it.



Brooke Primary Parent Group

Over the next few weeks, we will be starting a new Brooke Primary Parent Group. If this is something you would be interested in joining and supporting, please raise your interest at the school office. We have some very exciting activities and events in the pipeline.

Autumn 1 After School Clubs

There are lots of afterschool clubs and activities taking place this half term, click the following link to see what is on offer. Places can be booked through the school office.

[Autumn-Term-1-2024-Enrichment-Clubs-and-Activities-1-1.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](https://www.brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk/Autumn-Term-1-2024-Enrichment-Clubs-and-Activities-1-1.pdf)

Pupil of the Week W/E 06.09.24

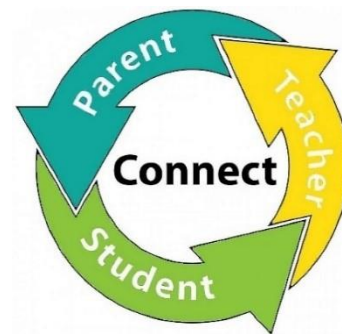
Well done to the following children who have been awarded pupil of the week for going the extra mile with their learning / displaying the school values.

Class	Pupil
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	William N
F2 Ms Hutt	All F2 Children
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Olivia M
Y2 Miss Brown	Harper H
Y2 Mrs Whitfield	Haxel C
Y3 Miss Jackson	Finlay G
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Eric B
Y4 Miss Low	Taylor O
Y5 Mr Jones	Roman M
Y5 Mrs Potter	Poppy M
Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	Emily C
Y6 Mr Thomas	Tomme M



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Ellie R	Managers player at football
Darcey C	Performing at Disneyland Paris with her dance group
Reuben J	Super work on his times-tables



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.



How can communities help each other in times of difficulty?



In the news this week

Over the summer, many protests took place in England and Northern Ireland. Some of these became violent and turned into riots, which caused a great deal of damage to cars and buildings. It is thought that a lot of the protesters involved were encouraged by misinformation spread online. Following the protests, communities in many towns, including Middlesborough, organised clean-up efforts that united people from all faiths and races.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What does community mean to you? How would you describe your local community?
- > Can you think of a time when you have either helped or been helped by your local community?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

'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**.

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

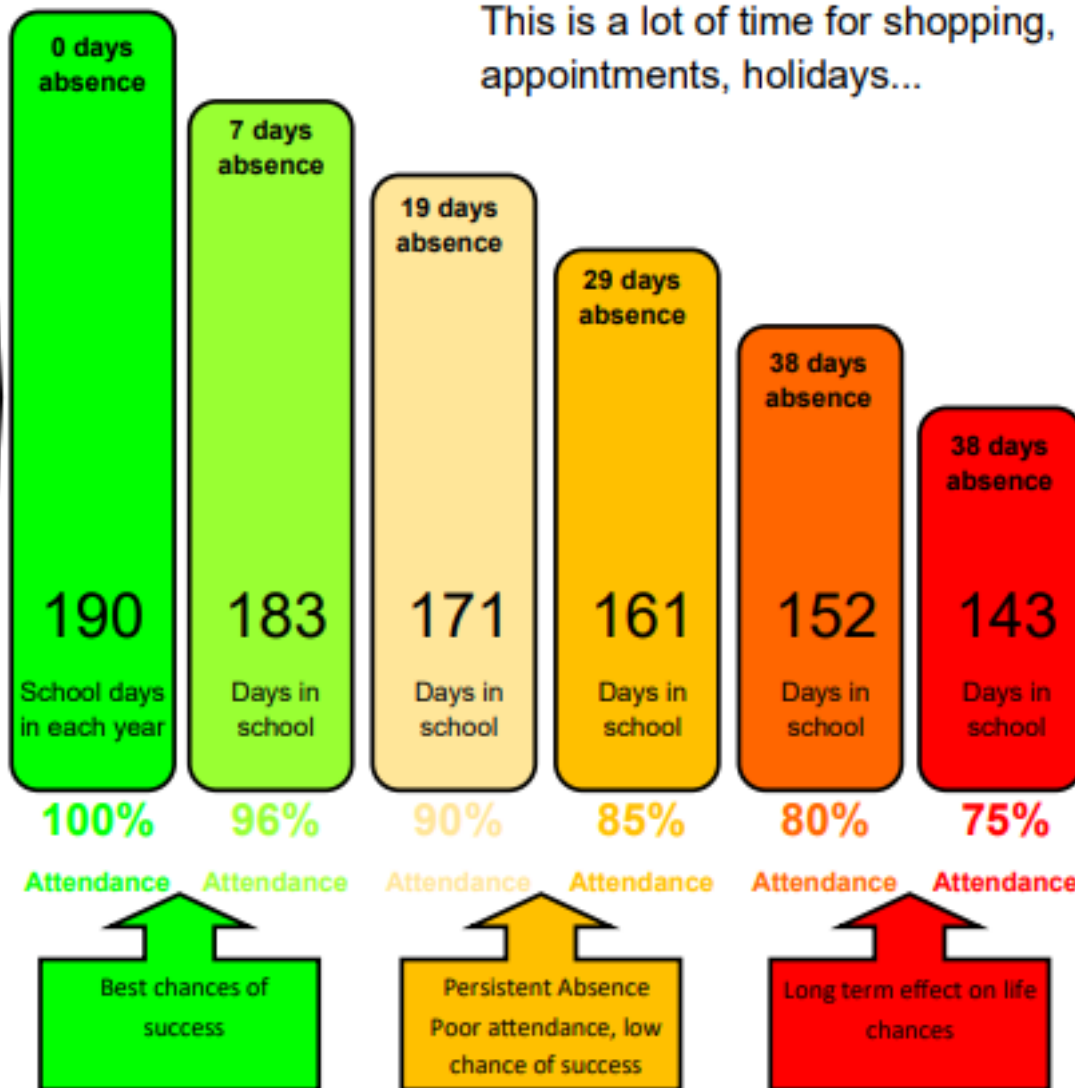


Good attendance at Brooke Primary Academy means...

...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%**

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Important Dates

Autumn 1

- Wednesday 25th September – Individual School Photographs
- Friday 4th October – Year 2 Coal Mining Trip [National-Coal-Mining-Museum-Trip.pdf](#)
(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk)
- Monday 7th October – Flu Vaccinations – Reception to Year 6 – Details to follow

Have a wonderful weekend.

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