

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

What a fantastic morning we had for our Macmillan Coffee Morning! A big thank you to everyone who baked, helped out and attended the event. Your generosity and participation mean so much, not just to our school, but to the many families supported by Macmillan Cancer Support. We have raised over **£270** and your contributions will make a meaningful difference. Together, we've shown how our community can come together for a wonderful cause.



This week, in assembly, we celebrated the International Day of Sign Languages, to recognise the importance of sign languages around the world. Some children from Mrs Gillatt's BSL afterschool club came to the front of assembly and shared with the school what they had been learning. A big well done to these children! Did you know there are over 300 different sign languages and over 70,000 deaf people in the UK have British Sign Language as their first language?



PSQM

We are delighted to announce that at Brooke Primary we have been awarded a Primary Science Quality Mark (PSQM) for our science practice and innovation. PSQM is a professional development programme that improves science education, develops subject leaders' and staff and encourages innovation. We are so proud to celebrate our staff and children's success', and look forward to what our science education can bring in the future.

A big well done to Miss Low who has worked very hard on this for the last year.



Brooke's Parent Group

On Monday, Brooke's newly formed parent group met for the first time. The meeting was very successful and the group have some exciting things planned. Further information will be released next week but add Monday 21st October into your calendars for Brooke's Halloween Disco.



School Car Park

Parking in the school car park is restricted to those with a valid permit issued by the school office. Permits are granted only in special circumstances and are subject to annual review. Without a permit, access to the car park will not be allowed, and you will be asked to vacate the premises

Vaping / smoking

Vaping/smoking is not permitted on the school grounds.

Flu Immunisations

The School Age Immunisation Team will be delivering Flu vaccinations in school on the 7th October 2024. Please click on the link below to read the information about the vaccine and then complete the electronic consent form - paper copies are available, on request, from the office.

If your child is absent on the day there will be a catch-up session on 5/11/2024. You can also access one of the health bus sessions displayed on the flu letter. Please be aware that if you submit a form after the 5th October 2024, your child may not be vaccinated on the main session date.

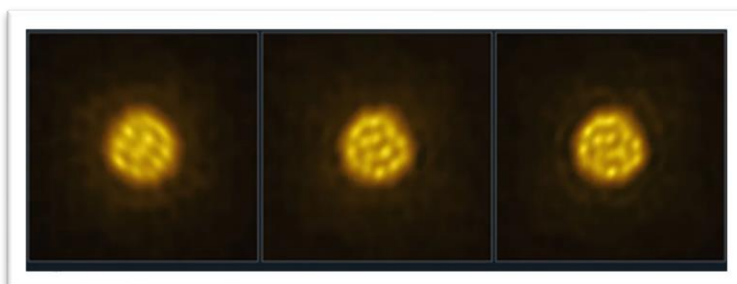


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Miss Low's Science Bulletin:

For the first time, astronomers have watched gas boil and bubble on the surface of a distant star. Scientists state that the process that transports heat and energy around the insides of stars is similar to the principle of a lava lamp

Area of science: Astronomy



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.

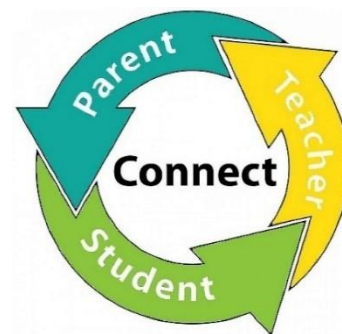
Pupil of the Week w/e 27/09/2024

Class	Pupil
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	Isaac M
F2 Ms Hutt	Erin R, Pankti K
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Clark G
Y2 Miss Brown	Brody C
Y2 Mrs Whitfield	Iulian M
Y3 Miss Jackson	Oliver C
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Zara B
Y4 Miss Low	Eliza W
Y5 Mr Jones	Khaleesi P
Y5 Mrs Potter	Cohen-B M
Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	Prosper A
Y6 Mr Thomas	Denver S



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Quinn D	Achieving 2 nd place in vault at gymnastics
Reuben J	Being an excellent team player for Club Thorne
Amelia M	Competing in her first football tournament



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.



In the news this week

The UK's first teacherless classroom, using AI (artificial intelligence) instead of human teachers, has opened. David Game College, a school in London, began its new course for twenty GCSE pupils in September. The pupils will learn using both AI platforms on their computers and VR (virtual reality) headsets.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What do you imagine it would be like to learn without a teacher? What difficulties do you think might arise? What do you believe the benefits could be?
- > What qualities do you think make a good teacher? Ask others at home. Do you agree on all of the qualities?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss



'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'

Attendance Challenge Winners – W/E 13/09/2024 (Autumn 1, Week 3)

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 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 Miss French & Mrs Binns	90.4%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt & Mrs Brown	93.7%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	95.1%	Y2 Miss Brown – Movie session
	Y2 Miss Brown	96.9%	
	Y2 Mrs Whitfield	92.4%	
LKS2	Y3 Miss Jackson	95.2%	Y3 Mrs Roberts – Thursday 3rd October
	Y3 Mrs Roberts	97.6%	
	Y4 Miss Low	94%	
UKS2	Y5 Mr Jones	90%	Y5 – Mrs Potter – Extra Break
	Y5 Mrs Potter	99%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	93%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	88.1%	
Total	93.87%		

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

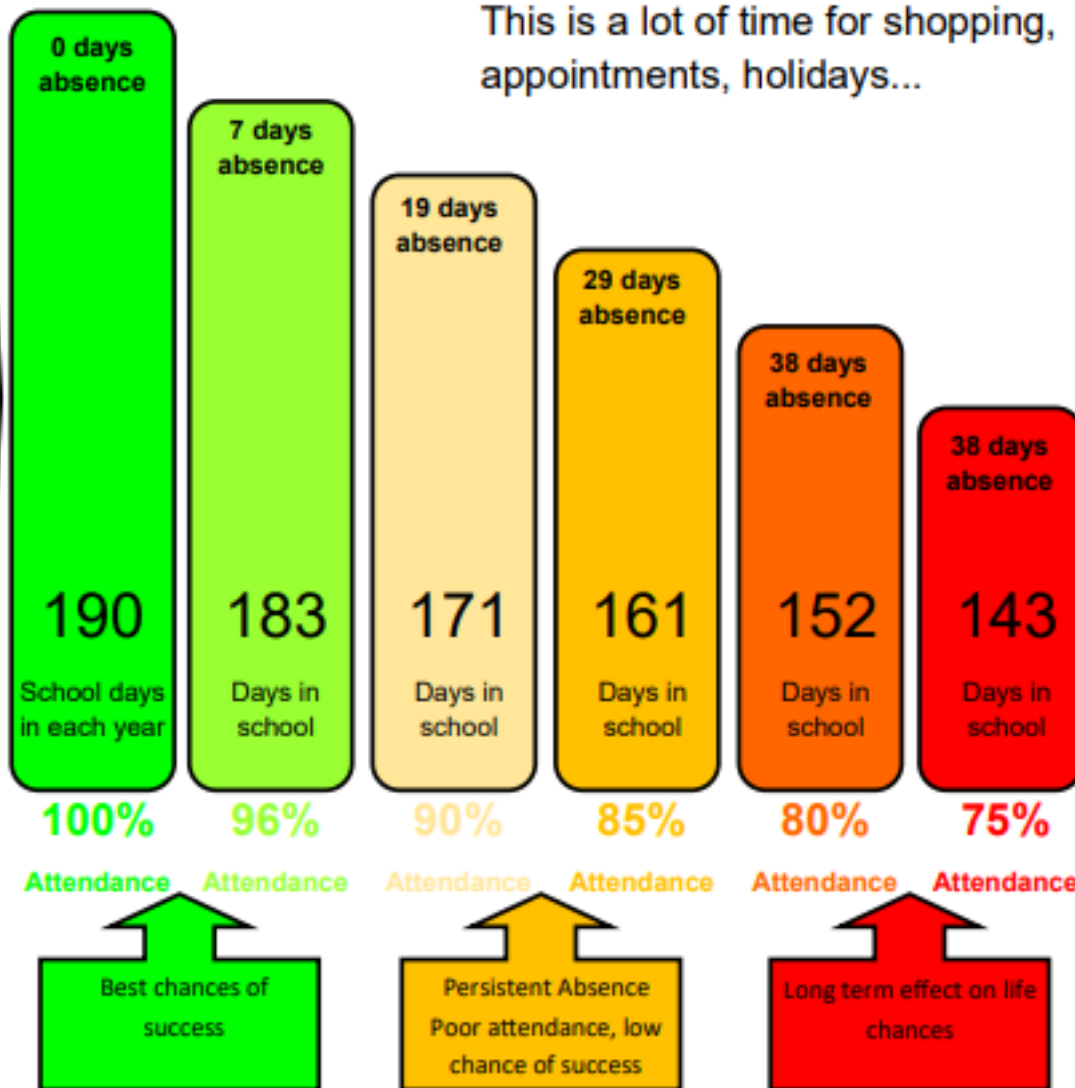


Good attendance at Brooke Primary Academy means...

...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

- 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
- Tuesday 8th October – Y4 Austerfield Parent Meeting 3.30pm
- Tuesday 15th October – Y5 PGL Parent Meeting 3.30pm
- Thursday 17th October – Y3 Stoneage Day [Y3-Stoneage-Day.pdf \(brookeprimaryacademy.org.uk\)](#)
- Monday 21st October – Halloween Disco

Have a wonderful weekend.

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