

## ☀️ Well Done to Our Year 6 Superstars! ☀️

This week, our incredible Year 6 children have completed their SATs—and we couldn't be prouder of them! They have approached each day with hard work, resilience, and determination, showing real maturity and focus throughout. Whether they found the tests tricky or took them in their stride, what truly matters is the effort and perseverance they've shown—qualities that will take them far in life.

A huge well done to every single child—you've done yourselves proud, and we are so proud of you too. 🙌

And of course, thank you to all of our parents and carers for your continued support, encouragement, and calm reassurance at home—it makes such a difference.

Now it's time for some fun, creativity, and celebration as we head into the final part of the year!

To kick things off, the children enjoyed a well-deserved ice cream this afternoon to celebrate the end of the week—and the end of SATs!



### Year 5 Visit the National Railway Museum

This week, our Year 5 pupils enjoyed an exciting and educational trip to the National Railway Museum in York. The visit was a fantastic opportunity to bring their current topic on locomotives to life, allowing them to explore the history and evolution of rail travel in a hands-on and engaging way.

During the visit, the children were able to get up close to iconic locomotives, including the world-famous *Mallard*, and learned how trains have played a crucial role in shaping modern Britain. They took part in interactive exhibits, explored historic carriages, and deepened their understanding of the science and engineering behind railway technology.

The trip not only supported their classroom learning, but also sparked lots of curiosity and discussion back at school. A huge thank you to the staff and volunteers at the museum for making the experience so memorable.



### School Closure Days / Staff Training Days

Please be reminded that we have two upcoming closure dates, **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** and **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** – school will be closed to all pupils on these dates.



### Purple Pig Company

On Wednesday, all of our EYFS and Branches children enjoyed a fantastic visit from the Purple Pig Company. The children had a particularly exciting time meeting a variety of friendly farm animals up close, right here at school! We were thrilled to welcome Farmer Rachel, who introduced us to her special animals and shared lots of fascinating facts about how they are cared for. The children listened carefully, asked thoughtful questions, and showed great care when gently stroking and handling the animals.

Among the animals the children met a calf, some playful kids (young goats), fluffy bunnies, chirping chicks, waddling puddleducks, and of course, some cheeky pigs! It was a truly memorable experience and a lovely treat for everyone involved.



**Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies - \*\*\* The online shop will close on Monday – please place your orders if you haven't already done so\*\*\***

The online shop to purchase leaver's hoodies is now open. Please follow the below link and use the username and password that has been sent through ParentMail to access the shop. **The online shop will close on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May.**

[2025 Leavers Hoodies & School Trip Hoodies | School Leavers Company](#)

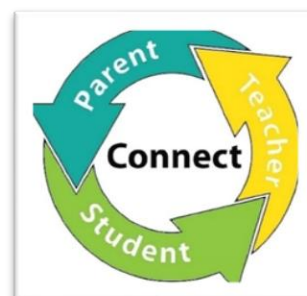


**Pupil of the Week w/e 16/05/2025**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Pupil</u></b>
Branches	George
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	Lottie R
F2 Ms Hutt & Mrs Brown	Buddy W, Patrick G
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Olivia L
Y2 Miss Brown	Scarlett T
Y2 Mrs Whitfield	Oliver J
Y3 Miss Jackson	Oliver C
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Freddie M
Y4 Mrs Brady	Taylor O
Y5 Mr Jones	Tiffany M
Y5 Mrs Potter	Bailey T
Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	All of Year 6
Y6 Mr Thomas	All of Year 6

**Home School Partnership**

<b><u>Pupil</u></b>	<b><u>For</u></b>
Addison W	Being a runner up in a cup final at football
Jack M	Winning the cup final with his team at football
Ellie R	Being a runner up in a cup final at football
Isla S	Achieving her VE Badge
Jacob R	Winning the cup final with his team at football
Joe F	Winning the cup final with his team at football



## 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

Three teenagers from Indore, India – Dhruv Chaudhary, Mithran Ladhania, and Mridul Jain – have created a salt-powered fridge. Their goal is to support hospitals in rural areas around the world that lack access to electricity. Their invention, called the Thermavault, was submitted to The Earth Prize, a global competition which aims to inspire young people to solve world-wide problems.

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

- > Share your thoughts on the new fridge invention. Who do you believe will benefit most from it?
- > Make a list of everyday items at home. Which make your life easier?
- > Can you think of an item you use that could be improved? How?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)



# 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'

## Attendance Challenge Winners – W/E 09/05/2025 (Summer 1, Week 2)

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	96.8%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt & Mrs Brown	96.6%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	95.6%	Y2 – Mrs Whitfield – Outdoor play session
	Y2 Miss Brown	94%	
	Y2 Mrs Whitfield	98%	
LKS2	Y3 Miss Jackson	93.8%	Y3 – Mrs Roberts – Ice pops
	Y3 Mrs Roberts	97%	
	Y4 Mrs Brady	96.5%	
UKS2	Y5 Mr Jones	92.5%	Y5 – Mrs Potter – Ice Pops
	Y5 Mrs Potter	100%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	97.7%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	94%	
Total	95.78%		

## 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...

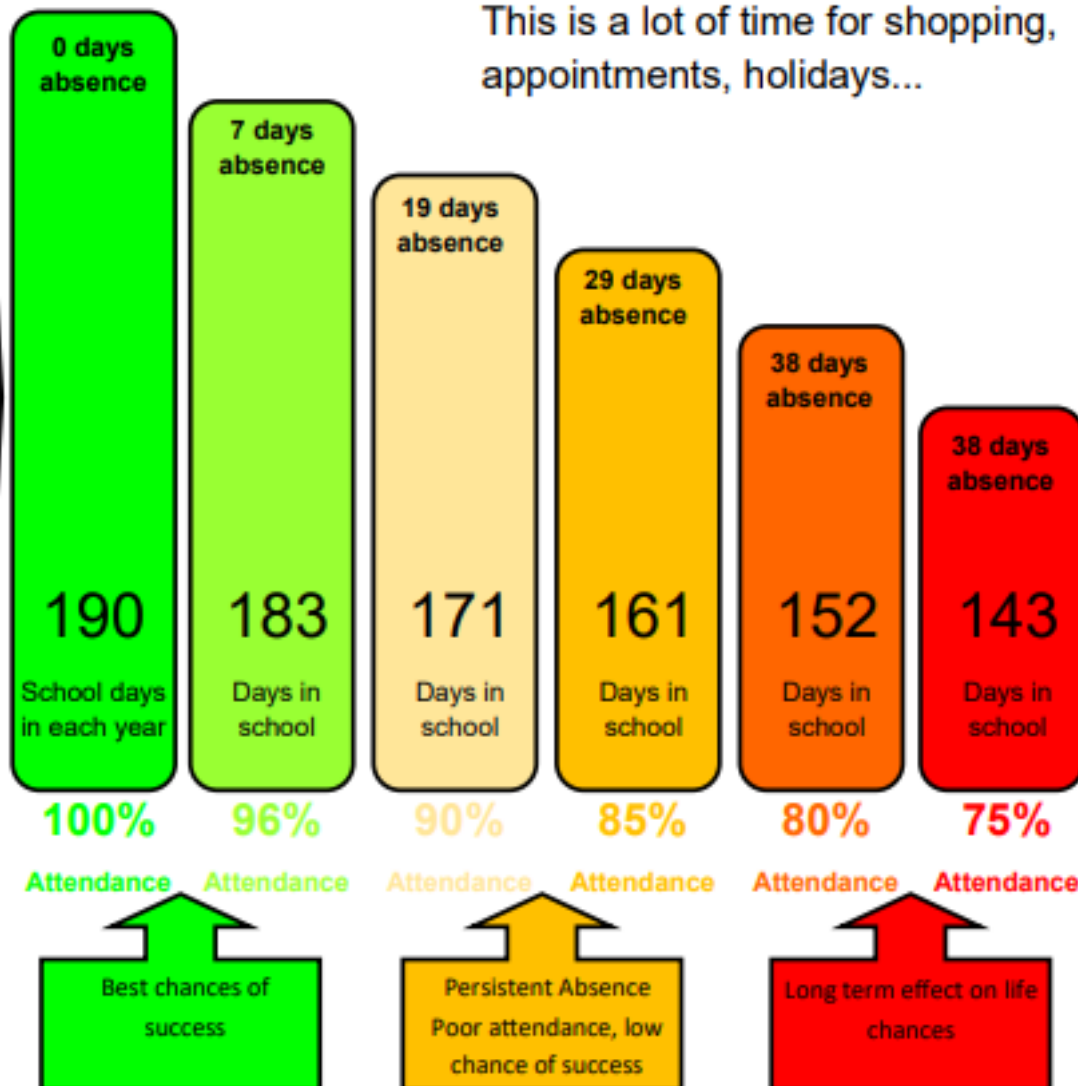


...being in school at least  
96% of the time (183+ days)

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**

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 leaver's hoodies online shop closes
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May – F2 Oxmardyke Trip [F2-Oxmardyke-Equestrian-Centre.pdf](#)
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – School Closure Day – School closed to pupils**
- **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – School closes for half term**

### **Summer 2**

- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Staff Training Day – School Closed to pupils**
- **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – School re-opens for Summer 2 term**
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Y1 Trip to Cannon Hall Farm [Y1-Cannon-Hall-Farm-Trip.pdf](#)
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> June – Y4 Residential Trip to Austerfield [Austerfield-Residential-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Y5 Venn Olympics Trip [Y5-Venn-Olympics.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June Y3& Y4 Sports Day 2.30pm - [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – EYFS Sports Day 10.45am [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June - Y3 Go Ape Trip [Y3-Go-Ape.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – F1 Trip to Scalby Grange - [F1-Scalby-Grange-2025.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June Y5 & Y6 Sports Day – Doncaster Rovers Stadium [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Y1 & Y2 Sports Day 2.30pm - [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leaver's Trip [Y6-Leavers-AirHop.pdf](#)
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Transition to Trinity
- **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – School closes for the end of term**

Have a wonderful weekend.

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