

What a fantastic start to the new half term we've had! We hope you all enjoyed a restful and fun-filled break with your families. This half term is set to be a busy and exciting one, with Sports Day and many other wonderful events on the horizon. We're sure the weeks will fly by as we approach the summer holidays!

Year 4 Residential – Austerfield Adventures

Our Year 4 children had an unforgettable time on their residential trip to Austerfield this week. From creating beautiful wild art, hunting for mini beasts, pond dipping, handling animals, and gathering around the campfire – every moment was a chance to learn, discover, and enjoy. The camp quiz brought plenty of laughter, and the free time gave space for imaginations to run wild.

What stood out most was the way the children supported one another, embraced new experiences, and made memories that will stay with them for years to come.

A huge thank you to Mrs Roberts, Mrs Cheetham, and Mr England for making the trip so special. Their enthusiasm, care, and dedication helped create an amazing experience the children will never forget.





Year 1 Trip – Cannon Hall Farm

Our Year 1 children had a fantastic day out at Cannon Hall Farm this week! They loved exploring the farm, meeting a variety of animals, and learning all about life on a working farm during their guided tour. The children were exceptionally well behaved throughout the day and particularly enjoyed the play area at the end – a perfect way to round off the adventure!

A special highlight was the ferret race, where Lyda had the winning raffle ticket – well done, Lyda!

We'd also like to say a big thank you to all the volunteers who joined us on the trip – your support helped make the day run so smoothly, and we truly appreciate your time and enthusiasm.

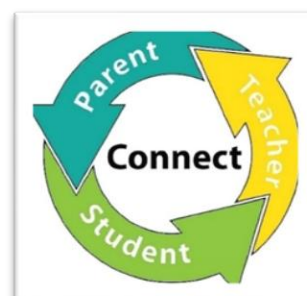


Pupil of the Week w/e 06/06/2025

<u>Class</u>	<u>Pupil</u>
Branches	Abigail C
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	Luca B
F2 Ms Hutt & Mrs Brown	Annie S, Erin R
Y1 Miss Hennigan	Arlo H
Y2 Miss Brown	Lyla O
Y2 Mrs Whitfield	Davis-S A
Y3 Miss Jackson	Humaira N
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Freddie M
Y4 Mrs Brady	Archie T
Y5 Mr Jones	Tiffany M
Y5 Mrs Potter	Milly H
Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	Olivia W
Y6 Mr Thomas	Lilly B

Home School Partnership

<u>Pupil</u>	<u>For</u>
Addison W	A successful trial at Doncaster Belles Football Club
Oliver J	Achievements in rugby and a recent Man of the Match
Ruby R	Her contributions to the Thornensians rugby team
Lennon B-K	Achievements in rugby
Arrow A	Achieving his Stage 5 swimming award
George N	Winning a 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.



Can donating something important be a powerful way to show you care?

In the news this week

A vehicle once used by Pope Francis to wave and greet people—called a popemobile—is being turned into a mobile health clinic for children in Gaza. Pope Francis, who recently passed away, was the head of the Catholic Church and often spoke about helping others. One of his final wishes was to help children affected by the conflict in Gaza. The vehicle will be refitted with medical equipment, as found in ambulances, so it can be used to aid children in areas where hospitals may be hard to reach. The project aims to deliver essential medical care to those who need it.

Things to talk about at home ...

- What is your opinion of Pope Francis' decision to donate the popemobile? Why do you believe he decided to do this? Ask someone at home about their thoughts.
- Have you ever donated something? Could it be harder to donate something that's important to you?
- Can you think of examples of different times when people might donate items to help others?

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 22/05/2025 (Summer 1, Week 4)

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

<u>Phase</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Winner</u>
EYFS	F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	93.3%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Miss Hutt & Mrs Brown	93.2%	
KS1	Y1 Miss Hennigan	92.9%	Y1–Miss Hennigan – Ice Pops
	Y2 Miss Brown	90%	
	Y2 Mrs Whitfield	92.8%	
LKS2	Y3 Miss Jackson	94.8%	Y3 – Mrs Roberts – Breakfast toast
	Y3 Mrs Roberts	96.5%	
	Y4 Mrs Brady	89.8%	
UKS2	Y5 Mr Jones	96.3%	Y5 – Mr Jones
	Y5 Mrs Potter	89.7%	
	Y6 Mr Thomas	89.8%	
	Y6 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	90%	
Total	92.19%		

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 2

- Tuesday 17th June Y3& Y4 Sports Day 2.30pm - [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Wednesday 18th June – EYFS Sports Day 10.45am [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 20th June - Y3 Go Ape Trip [Y3-Go-Ape.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 24th June – F1 Trip to Scalby Grange - [F1-Scalby-Grange-2025.pdf](#)
- Tuesday 24th June Y5 & Y6 Sports Day – Doncaster Rovers Stadium [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 27th June – Choir at Northfield Care Home
- Tuesday 1st July – Y1 & Y2 Sports Day 2.30pm - [Sports-Day-2025.pdf](#)
- Thursday 3rd July – Y6 Photographer Visit [Y6-Leavers-Arrangements-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 4th July – Y6 Leaver's Trip [Y6-Leavers-AirHop.pdf](#)
- Wednesday 9th – Friday 11th – Y6 Transition to Trinity
- Wednesday 16th July – Y6 Leavers' Night [Y6-Leavers-Arrangements-2025.pdf](#)
- Friday 18th July 9.45am – Y6 Leaving Performance [Y6-Leavers-Arrangements-2025.pdf](#)
- **Friday 18th July – School closes for the end of term**

Have a wonderful weekend.

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