

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

Cinderella Pantomime

On Monday, we were delighted to welcome M and M Productions into school for their pantomime performance of Cinderella. Children from Beginnings through to Year 6 attended and thoroughly enjoyed the show. It was wonderful to see everyone so engaged, enthusiastically joining in, shouting the classic pantomime phrases, and singing along to the songs.

As always, two members of staff were invited up onto the stage - Mrs Roberts and Mr Moore were great sports and loved joining the cast. This fantastic experience was made possible thanks to donations made through the parent group. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



Y5 Road Safety

Year 5 were delighted to welcome a visitor, Mrs Noble, into school to deliver a road safety session. The children watched and discussed a video that highlighted the importance of staying safe on the roads and the key things young people need to be aware of as they grow older. They listened attentively and were very respectful throughout the visit, and we were extremely proud of how well they engaged with the session.



Autism Workshops

Thank you to the parents and carers that attended our autism workshop. The next session is Tuesday 20th January at 8.45pm.



Partnership for Inclusion of
Neurodiversity in Schools

Autism workshops for parent carers

1. An Introduction to Autism
Tuesday 13 January 08:45

2. Behaviour that Challenges: Strategies to Support your Autistic Child
Tuesday 20 January 08:45

3. Coping with Anxiety: Strategies to Support your Autistic Child
Tuesday 27 January 08:45

Workshops are approximately 2-2.5 hours long.

Sessions will take place in the school.
Please confirm your attendance with
Mrs Eggleton

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**Thorne-Moorends
Neighbourhood Plan**

**IMPORTANT
ANNOUNCEMENT**

Have Your Say on the Future of Our Town

What gets built here matters. The homes we need, where they go, and who they are for will shape our town for years to come – and this is your chance to influence those decisions.

We are carrying out a Housing Needs Survey to help shape our Neighbourhood Plan. A paper survey is being sent to a random sample of 3,200 households, but the online survey is open to everyone.

We want to hear from everyone, whether you live here now, are planning your future, thinking about moving home or downsizing, or would like to move into the area. If we don't hear from you, your needs won't be counted.

-  Survey open: 16 January – 16 February 2025
-  Paper surveys delivered: 16–23 January 2025
-  Complete the online survey: www.tinyurl/thornemoor.

 **Prize draw:** Everyone who completes the survey will be entered into a prize draw with a £200 and a £100 voucher up for grabs!

 **Drop-in sessions to complete the survey or ask questions:**
16 January, Assembly Rooms, Fieldside, Thorne (10am–2pm)
4 February, Moorends Miners Welfare Centre, West Road, Moorends (5.30pm–7.30pm)

 **This is your town – whether you live here now or hope to in the future.**

For more information visit:
<https://www.thorne-moorends.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan/>

Pupil of the Week W/E 16.01.26

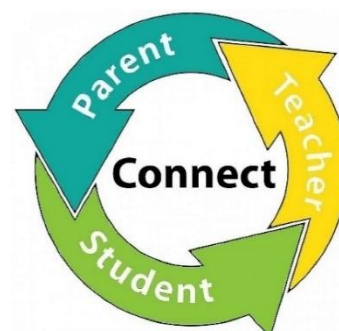
Well done to the following children who have been awarded pupil of the week for going the extra mile with their learning / displaying the school values.

Class	Pupil
Branches	Archie G
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	Luca B
F2 Mrs Brown & Mrs Whitfield	Zachary C, Isla B
Y1/2 Miss Hennigan	Tristan M
Y1/2 Miss Brown	Eddy B
Y2 Miss Booth	Rosalie W
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Freddie C
Y3 Miss Jackson	Olivier R
Y4 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	Lucy S
Y4 Mr Purdy	Esmæ B
Y5 Mr Jones	Sophia B
Y6 Mr Thomas	Arlie A
Y6 Mrs Brady	Lottie C



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Isla S	Earning her kindness badge at Brownies
Tillie B-W	Achieving Star of the Day at gymnastics



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

Famous online creators have come together at the 1 Billion Followers Summit in Dubai to talk about how their influence affects people around the world. Influencers at the event use their fame to share kindness, as part of the '1 Billion Acts of Kindness' campaign. One of the most well-known creators, MrBeast, has encouraged millions of people to take part, using his videos and social media to inspire positive actions.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk to someone at home about the summit and the campaign. Do you think lots of people will choose to take part? Why?
- Share who influences you. Talk about how some of the people we admire or look up to are well-known or famous, and others may be family or friends.
- Ask someone at home about who influenced them when they were younger. What impact did they have?

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 09/01/2026 (Spring 1, Week 1)

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	97.1%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Mrs Whitfield Mrs Brown	96.8%	
KS1	Y1/2 Miss Hennigan	98.4%	Y1/2 – Miss Brown – Pyjama Day Thursday 22 nd January
	Y1/2 Miss Brown	100%	
	Y2 Miss Booth	97.9%	
LKS2	Y3 Miss Jackson	99.1%	Y3 – Miss Jackson – Baking cookies
	Y3 Mrs Roberts	96.7%	
	Y4 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	96.1%	
	Y4 Mr Purdy	91.8%	
UKS2	Y5 Mr Jones	95.6%	Y6 Mrs Brady – Non uniform day Thursday 22 nd January
	Y6 Mr Thomas	95.5%	
	Y6 Mrs Brady	97.7%	
Total		96.39%	

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

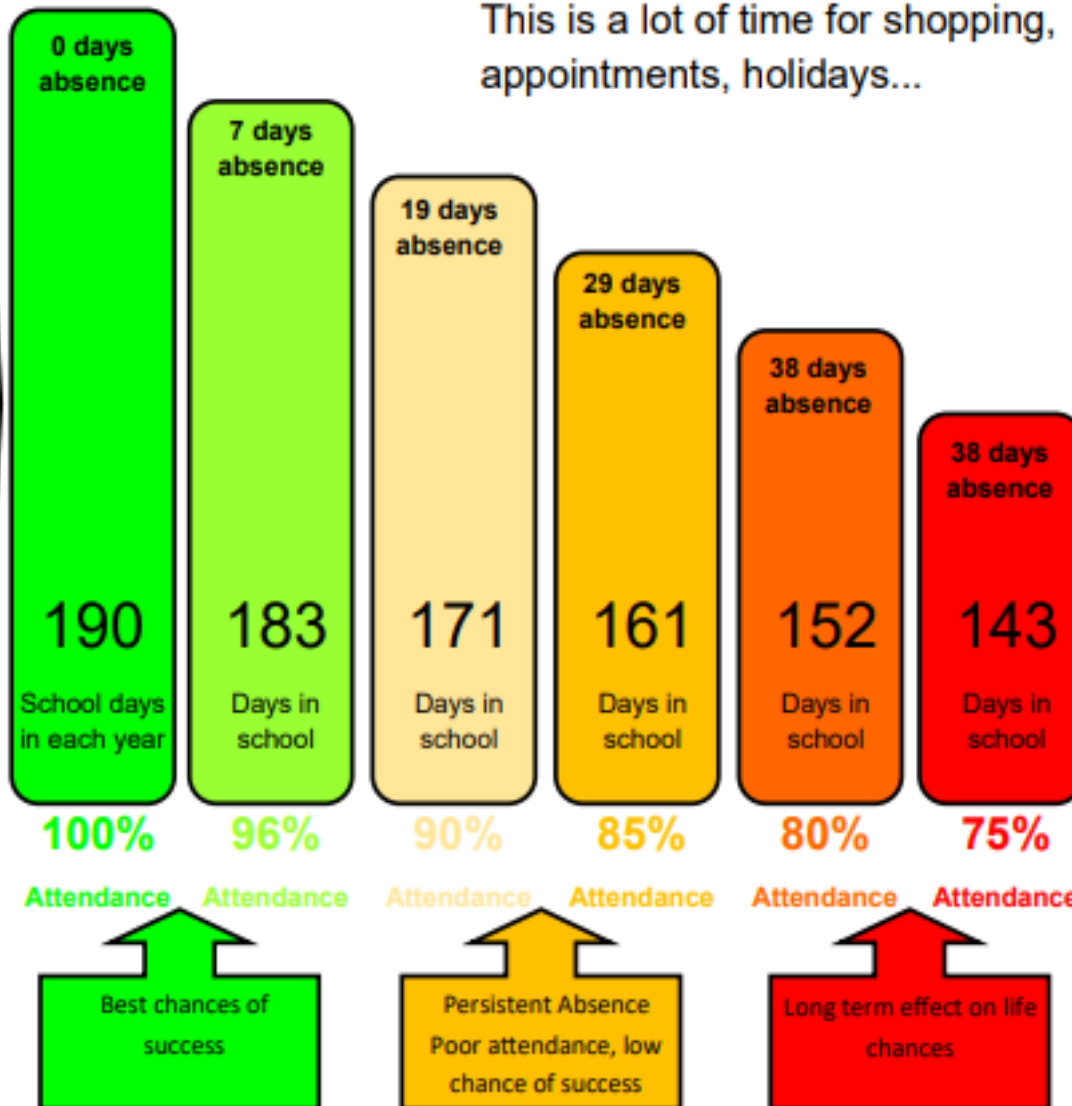


Good attendance at Brooke Primary Academy means...

...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

Spring 1

- **Friday 30th January** – Young Voices (Young Voices Choir Only)
- **Friday 13th February** – Y6 Trip to Crucial Crew [Y6-Crucial-Crew-Trip-.pdf](#)
- **Tuesday 24th February** – Y3 Egyptian Workshop – [Y3-Egyptian-Workshop.pdf](#)

Have a wonderful weekend.

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