

Brooke Primary Academy

Weekly News

New Arrival

We are delighted to announce the latest addition to the Brooke family. Miss French and her partner welcomed a beautiful baby boy, Teddy, on the 12th March. Congratulations to the whole family!



DOJO Events

Our children have been working hard to earn Dojo points by showing kindness, positive behaviour and living our school values. Fortnightly, the children can choose to spend their points in the Dojo Shop or save them to buy tickets for our end-of-half-term events, helping them learn the value of saving.

This half term's events were a huge success, with children enjoying baking, football, tag rugby, gaming, balloon modelling and bracelet making. Many have already said they can't wait to earn and save for next half term's activities, which will include a school ice-cream parlour, pizza making and lots more fun experiences.



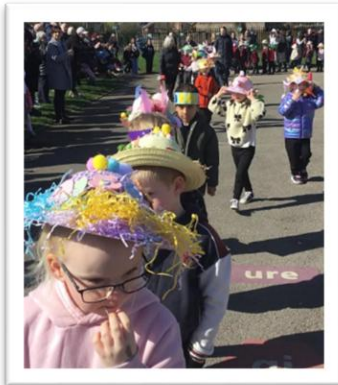
Donations

We are currently looking for donations of board games, jigsaws, action figures, Barbie dolls, baby dolls and fancy-dress costumes to support play, creativity and imaginative learning across the school.

We are incredibly grateful for all donations, but we kindly ask that any items donated are still in good, usable condition, so the children can enjoy them safely and fully. Donations should be dropped off at the school office – Thank you!

Easter Bonnet Parade

On Wednesday Beginnings, EYFS and KS1 took part in our annual Easter Bonnet Parade. The children looked amazing with their homemade creations. A big thank you to all our families who supported with this and braved the windy weather to come and enjoy the show.



Easter Egg Competition

We have been so impressed with the entries to our Egg Decorating activity this year! We received almost 80 fantastic entries and were truly impressed with the creativity and effort shown by the children. Each participant received a small prize in recognition of their work, with 3 main prizes going to our winning entries. Congratulations to our winners!



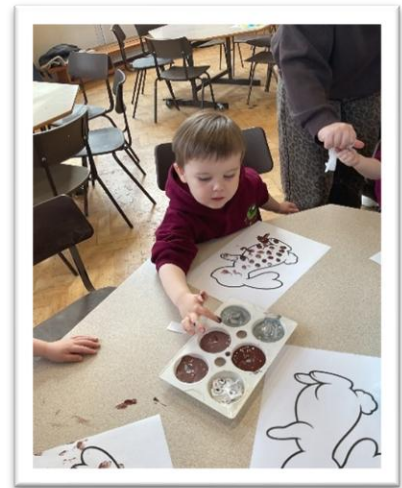
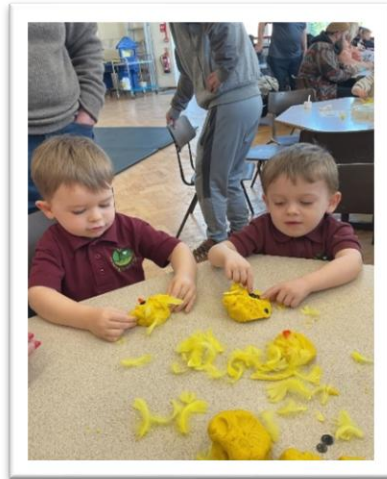
Easter Raffle

Yesterday, we held our much-anticipated annual event - the Easter Egg Raffle. The excitement and joy on the children's faces was a pleasure to see! As ever, your support is most appreciated – we hope you all enjoy tucking into your Easter treats.



Beginnings Easter Craft Event

On Wednesday, Beginnings welcomed parents and carers into school to sing Easter songs take part in crafts. These included making chicks out of playdough, finger painting bunny's, decorating an Easter egg picture and colouring sheets. Thank you to everyone that came to our event the children had lots of fun after practising so hard for the last few weeks.



Important – Change of Hours After Easter

Please be reminded that as from Tuesday 14th April our school hours will be as follows:

- Monday: 8:40 am – 3:30pm
- Tuesday: 8:40 am – 3:30pm
- Wednesday: 8:40 am – 3:30pm
- Thursday: 8:40 am – 1:50pm
- Friday: 8:40 am – 3:30pm

Nursery and Beginnings will be:

- Morning session: 8:45am – 11:45am
- Afternoon session: 12:15pm – 3:25pm
- Full day session: 8:45am – 3:25pm

F2 Sponsored Bicycle and Scooter Event

Due to everyone's wonderful fundraising efforts we are thrilled to announce that the event raised an amazing £730.30! We will update you in the future when we have purchased the outdoor equipment.

Kixx Easter Camp 2026

Kixx will once again be running a holiday camp at Brooke Primary during the Easter break, please click the link below for details and registration.

[Eggtastic Easter Camp 2026](#)



Parent's Evenings

The Spring Parent's evenings will take place on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th April. Appointments can be booked using the ParentMail app, please speak to the school office if you require any assistance.

Pupil of the Week W/E 27.03.26

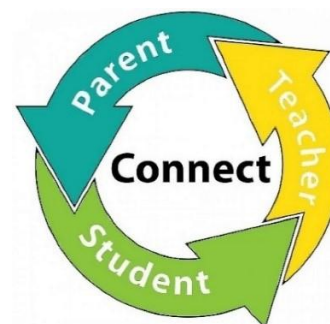
Well done to the following children who have been awarded pupil of the week for going the extra mile with their learning / displaying the school values.

Class	Pupil
Branches	Avery H
F1 Miss French & Mrs Binns	Aaisha S
F2 Mrs Brown & Mrs Whitfield	Calin J, Charlotte S
Y1/2 Miss Hennigan	Maria Z
Y1/2 Miss Brown	Dolly-M C
Y2 Miss Booth	Arthur B
Y3 Mrs Roberts	Hudson K
Y3 Miss Jackson	Oliver J
Y4 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	Oceanna P
Y4 Mr Purdy	Cohen C
Y5 Mr Jones	Oliver S
Y6 Mr Thomas	Faith H
Y6 Mrs Brady	Evie H



Home School Partnership

Pupil	For
Savannah C	Winning 2 nd place with her dance team
Ruby R	Participating in her first rugby festival and winning 3 matches
George C	Participating in his first rugby festival and winning 3 matches
Cohen S	Winning 'Parent's Player of the Match' at football
Reuben J	Winning 'Manager's Player of the Match' at football
Santanna C	Gaining her turquoise rosette in her street dance exam
Savannah C	Getting honours in her 'One Dance' exam
Isla S	Earning her Brownies Silver Award and Folklore badge
Francesca R	Achieving 'Parent's Player' and 'Trainer of the Week' at football



Picture News

Every week, 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

Athletes from around the world have been competing in the Winter Paralympic Games in Italy. The Paralympics are an international sporting event for athletes with disabilities. This year's competitors took part in events such as skiing, snowboarding, wheelchair curling, and ice hockey. Many athletes train for years to compete at this level. Some have overcome injuries or health challenges, while others were born with disabilities. Using specialised equipment and incredible determination, they compete for medals.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Who do you find inspiring in sport? Ask someone at home about who they find inspiring.
- What does being a champion mean to you?
- What helps people overcome challenges? Talk with someone about their experiences.

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 20/03/2026 (Spring 2, 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 Mr Moore & Mrs Binns	97.1%	All children who achieved 100% will receive a dip in the box
	F2 Mrs Whitfield Mrs Brown	94%	
KS1	Y1/2 Miss Brown	98.8%	Y1/2 – Miss Brown – Golden Time
	Y1/2 Miss Hennigan	97.9%	
	Y2 Miss Booth	98.7%	
LKS2	Y3 Miss Jackson	97.6%	Y4 – Mr Farrand/Mrs Sanders – Ice Pops/Lollies
	Y3 Mrs Roberts	89.7%	
	Y4 Mr Farrand & Mrs Sanders	97.7%	
	Y4 Mr Purdy	96.3%	
UKS2	Y5 Mr Jones	96.6%	Y6 – Mrs Brady -Movie Session
	Y6 Mr Thomas	96.4%	
	Y6 Mrs Brady	97.3%	
Total	94.94%		

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

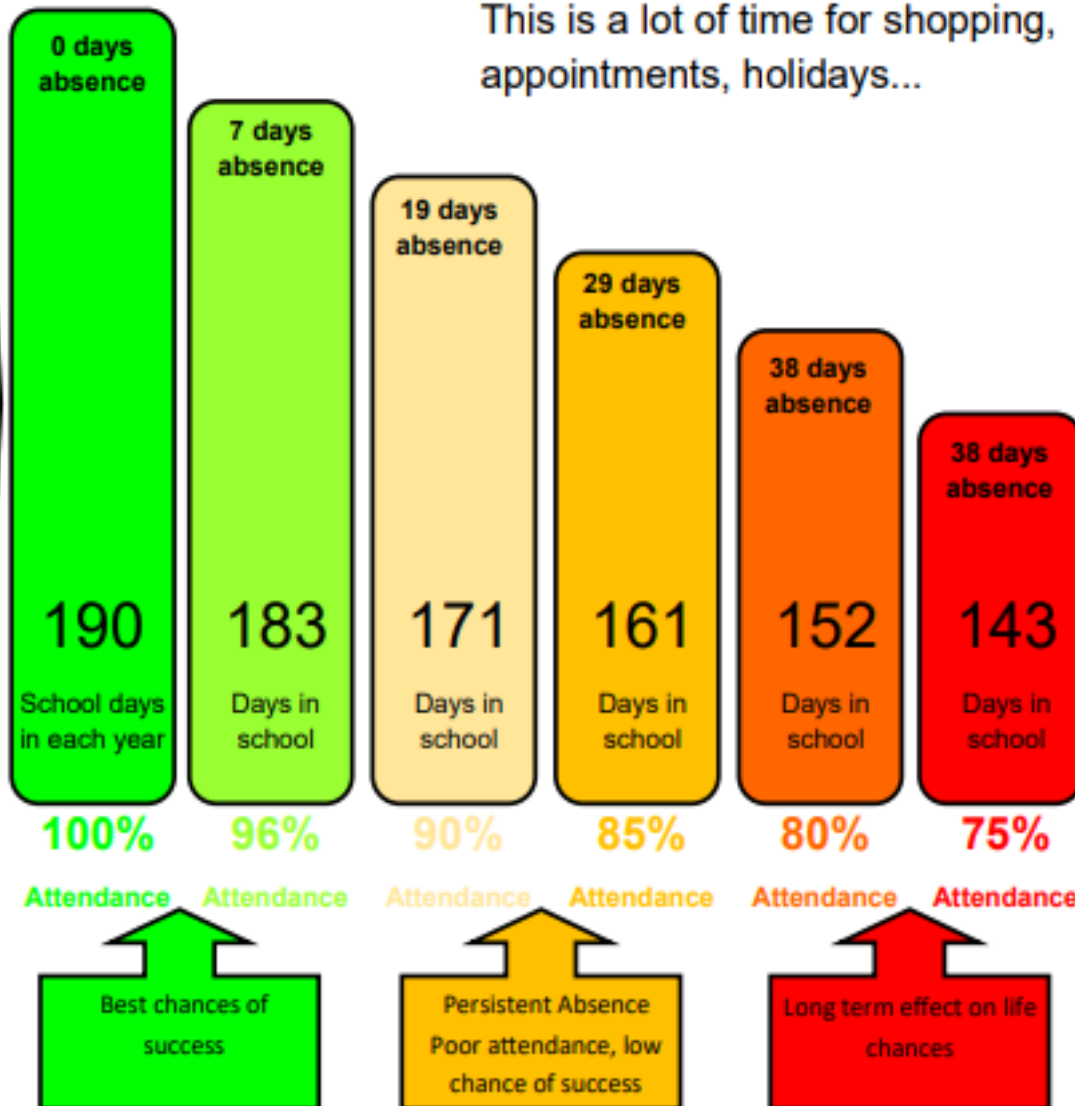


Good attendance at Brooke Primary Academy means...

...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

Spring 2

- **Friday 27th March – School closes for Easter Holidays**

Summer 1

- **Monday 13th April – School Training Day – Closed to all children**
- **Tuesday 14th April – School re-opens for Summer Term**
- **Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th April – Parent’s Evenings**
- **Wednesday 22nd April – Y2 Austerfield Trip [Y2-Austerfield-Trip.pdf](#)**
- **Wednesday 29th April – F2 Equestrian Centre Trip [F2-Field-View-Equestrian-Centre-1.pdf](#)**
- **Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday Monday -School closed to all children**
- **Monday 11th May – Y6 SATs Week**
- **Friday 22nd May – School closes for half term**

Have a wonderful Easter break.

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