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Brooke Primary Academy

Welcome Back to Brooke!



A very warm welcome back to all our families! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some quality time together. We would also like to extend a particularly warm welcome to all of our new families joining the Brooke community this September. We are delighted to have you with us and hope that you quickly feel part of our school family.

As we begin the new academic year, we wanted to share a few updates regarding how we communicate and share information with families.

Keeping You Connected

There have been some changes to guidance around the publishing of photographs of children on social media, websites and newsletters. As a school, we are currently reviewing our existing arrangements to ensure that our practice continues to reflect the latest guidance and provides the appropriate safeguards for our pupils.

As part of this, we will be making greater use of our school Instagram account to share some of the wonderful WOW moments happening in school, advertise upcoming events and share important messages with our families.

To support this change, our parent newsletter will also have a slightly different format. Rather than producing a newsletter every week without photographs, we will be moving to a half-termly newsletter. This will provide a clear and useful overview of key information, important dates, upcoming events and reminders for the month ahead.

We will continue to use ParentMail as an important way of communicating directly with parents and carers. Please make sure that you have access to your ParentMail account and are able to receive messages from school. If you are experiencing any problems accessing ParentMail, please contact the school office, who will be happy to help.

First Aid Updates

We are also moving towards a new electronic system for recording and reporting first aid following injuries in school. Once the new system is fully set up, first aid and injury information will be sent electronically to parents and carers.
We will provide further information about how this will work once the system is in place.
In preparation for this, please ensure that your contact details held by school are up to date, including your email address and telephone numbers. This will help us to ensure that important information reaches you promptly.



We are incredibly excited about the year ahead and all the opportunities it will bring for our children. As always, we look forward to working closely with you and continuing to build a strong partnership between home and school.
Thank you for your continued support. Here's to another fantastic year at Brooke!
The Brooke Team

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Read Together, Grow Together

BROOKE
Primary Academy

A few minutes of reading at home every day can make a BIG difference.



Why it matters

Improves learning
Children who read regularly make better progress.

Builds vocabulary
Helps children understand more and express themselves.

Boosts wellbeing
Reading together reduces stress and builds connection.

Opens doors
Strong readers are more likely to succeed in life.

Just 10 minutes a day...

can improve focus, confidence and a love of learning.

Easy ways to read together

- Share a story
- Talk about the book
- Ask questions and have fun
- Make reading part of your day

Every page you share helps their future.

Thank you for supporting a love of reading at home!

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🌼 Moments Matter, Attendance Counts 🌼

Improving school attendance is **everyone's business**, and we know that the best way to support children is by working together with families. The Government has launched its national **"Moments Matter, Attendance Counts"** campaign to highlight the important role that regular school attendance plays in children's lives. Being in school every day is essential to your child's **achievement, wellbeing and wider development**. Every day in school provides opportunities to learn, build friendships, develop confidence and take part in the experiences that make school special.

📊 Understanding Attendance

At Brooke, we use the following thresholds to help us identify when additional support may be needed:

🟢 96% or above – On Target

Your child's attendance is at or above our school target. Fantastic! Thank you for supporting regular attendance.

🟠 92%–95.9% – Below Target

Attendance is below our school target and will be monitored. We will work with families where appropriate to identify any barriers and provide support.

🔴 Below 92% – Significant Concern

Attendance is significantly below our school target. Action is needed to improve attendance, and we will work closely with families to understand what support may be required.



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Important Dates

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Wed 9th Sept to Fri 11th Sept	- Y6 PGL Residential Trip
Tues 15th Sept	- Y5 Swimming lessons start
Tuesday 6th Oct	- Boggledy Book Fair
Thursday 22nd Oct	- School closes for half term
Friday 23rd Oct	- Training Day – School closed to pupils

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Mon 2nd Nov	- School re-opens for Autumn 2 Term
Wed 11th Nov	- Individual School Photos
Wed 25th Nov	- Reception to Y6 Flu Vaccinations (more information to follow)
Fri 18th Dec	- School closes for Christmas break