## Newsletter 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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### Inset days 2023 / 2024



Monday 6th November 2023

Monday 8th April 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024



There will not be an inset day in January 2024. Apologies, there was a mistake on last weeks newsletter!

# Brook fireworks

눚 Thursday 9th November 大

Heads up to put the date in your diary!

Keep your eyes peeled for more information to follow!



### Young Voices

Our ever popular Young Voices club is full for this year! Thankyou for all of your interest - we can't wait for you to join us at their live performance at the Resorts World Arena in January!

Our practice club has already started and the children have had a lot of fun and sound amazing!



Friday 29th September at 9am in the school hall



Help us make our coffee morning a success in aid of Macmillan! Whether you get your bake on or donate some cakes we will greatly appreciate anything at all! We really hope to see you there!



### Advance Notice:

Settling-in Parents Evening:
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 3.40-7pm: KS2
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 3.40-7pm:
EYFS/KS1

More details will follow to explain how to book an appointment.



We are only on week 2 of the academic year and we already have so many children who have lost items of clothing. Please ensure clothing is labelled as it really does help us to find the lost items. If clothing is not labelled it proves very difficult to find the clothing.

### Nut-free school

Although it is impossible to be completely nut free, we are doing everything we can to stop any nuts in school due to the amount of our children who have nut allergies. Please do not send your child into school with any nu

not send your child into school with any nuts/peanut butter as this can really have an impact upon some of our children.





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### ParentPay

We must apologise as we have been having major issues with Parent Pay due to a new system. Please can we ask you to log back in and check your accounts for any lunch bookings and Buddies bookings to ensure that

Year 3 and 5 Bikeability!

these have been unaffected.

Dudley Council are coming into school w/c 25<sup>th</sup> September for the week to do level 1 bikeability with year 3 and level 2 with year 5!

You should now have received an email regarding which date they can take part in.

If you have not received the information, please contact the school office.







We are very excited to announce that we have relaunched our library. The library has been named 'The Next Chapter' after a competition won by Danielle Witton in year 4. All KS2 children have now visited the library and have chosen their reading books. KS1 will be visiting in the coming weeks to choose a sharing book.

We are very proud of our new library and are trying to help the children develop a love of reading and to teach them how to respect the books and use a library. We are hoping to run the library like a real library; we will be training some of the children to be librarians, but we are also wondering if there are any parents or grandparents who would like to volunteer to help us out. If you are interested, please contact the school office.



Are there any keen gardeners out there?! With Mr Bowater leaving us at the end of the summer term, we are looking for some keen gardeners to help keep our garden flourishing. We were wondering if any of our parents or even grandparents are keen gardeners and would help us by volunteering their time to help keep our garden going.

We have squash and marrows ready to pick! Mrs Fellows has been in the garden today picking apples with some of the children-they are scrumptious.

If you would like to volunteer some time, please let the school office know.

Baby news! On Monday this week we had the exciting news that Mrs Crump had had a baby girl! We would like to congratulate the family on the arrival of baby Melody-Joy. We would also like to wish Mrs Mason all the best as she breaks up today to begin her maternity leave!



### Text messages / direct School Life messages

As you are aware we use School life to communicate with our parents. Mrs Lowe will often send direct messages to remind people about payments or bookings. These are direct messages so please check your Parent Pay when you receive.

We are aware that people may be upset that the bamboo bushes have been cut down on the back playground. Unfortunately this was a difficult decision that we made due to the amount of children who would regularly hide within them. We felt that in order to keep our children safe they were better cut away.



# Brook Buddies



Brook Buddies parents it's that time again! If you require a place at Buddies please remember you need to fill in a new parent pack please.

These are available from Buddies or the main school office

Brook Buddies runs every morning and evening. Why not join us for breakfast or some after school fun? Our session times & prices are below:

#### Breakfast club:

8:00am-8:45am - £3.50

### Afterschool club:

Half session 3:20pm-4:45pm - £5.25

Full session 3:20pm-5:45pm - £8.00

All bookings must be made by Thursday of the week before you require childcare.

### Please note: (Summary from Brook School policy)

Parents should collect their child promptly at the end of a session otherwise you will be charged a fee of £10.00 to cover staff costs if they are more than 10 minutes late. If this situation arises more than three times in one term, their child's place at Brook Buddies may be forfeited!

### **Buddies parents please note:**

If you need an emergency place—this needs be paid on Parent Pay no later than 3pm.