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### Message from Mrs Fellows

- It has been a long first term, which has certainly been action packed!
  - We have officially opened our new Inclusion Hubs-The Caterpillars- it's been extremely positive!
- We have recruited a new site manager- a big welcome to Mr Davies!
  - Year 6 had a fabulous week at Astley Burf.
  - The key stage 1 playground has had new markings.
- We helped raised a huge £838 for MacMillan with our coffee morning.
  - Reception parents have been in for a phonics/reading workshop.
- The year 1 pupils have been to the local postbox to post their letters.
  - We've had our settling-in parent's evening.
- We've celebrated 100 years of Disney with a special themed lunch
- Our first year 4 class have enjoyed swimming and made some great progress!
  - Year 3 and 4 have enjoyed their whole class violin lessons with DPA
    - Year 2 and 5 performed their fabulous harvest assemblies
- 14 children were celebrated by sharing a hot chocolate and biscuits with me!
  - We have given out a wealth of responsibilities including prefects, librarians, house captains etc.

On behalf of all the Brook staff, I'd like to wish all of our families a wonderful half term break!

> Reminder: Monday 6th November is an INSET day, children return to school on Tuesday 7th.

A huge well done and congratulations too:

Thomas - Head boy

Ethan - Deputy head boy

Olivia - Head girl

Sumaya - Deputy head girl



All four of you have been chosen due to your commitment to Brook Primary School. You work incredibly hard, always demonstrating our school values and setting the example. Mrs Fellows is very proud that you have been chosen to represent our school.

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# Reading Competition

### Calling all monsters at Brook!

Halloween is just around the corner and so is our half term break. At Brook, reading is important and we are always encouraging children to read at home, even during the holidays!

Miss Hughes and Mrs Irwin would love to see some pictures of you reading a book in a spooky or unusual place.



The ideas are endless, just use your imagination! You may be visiting a pumpkin patch, going trick or treating, having a Halloween party or simply dressing up in your favourite, scary costume. Just don't forget to take your favourite book with you to snap that moment!

Either print your photos and bring them into school for Miss Hughes or Mrs Irwin, or send your pictures to info@brook.dudley.sch.uk.

Miss Hughes and Mrs Irwin will look at all the entry photos and choose a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> photo judged on spookiness and creativity. These children will win a small Halloween themed prize!





### Spanish Display Competition

I have been absolutely amazed by the fantastic work that the children have produced for our new Spanish display. It was so difficult to chose a winner so I decided to chose a winner from each year group. They will receive their prizes on our first Flamenco day on Friday 17th November, but every child that entered the competition has been awarded 20 house points. Some of their work is already on display and more will be added after half term.

#### Winners:

Anthony - 3B

Rosie - 4D

Natalia - 51

Thomas - 6T





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call 01384 815833
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## School admissions

### Starting Secondary School in September 2024?

If your child is due to start secondary school in 2024 then you will have to apply for a school place before 31 October 2023.

Closing date for applications is 31 October 2023.

\_Apply online at:
https://www.dudley.gov.
uk/residents/learningand-school/schools-andcolleges/schooladmissions/

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Well done to Sam in
5I who has won a £15
Big Bounce voucher
for 100% attendance
and no lates since
September! Keep it up
Sam and enjoy the Big
Bounce event!



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### **Brook Primary School Presents**

### **Brook Fireworks**

Celebrating 100 Years of Disney Thursday 9th November 2023

\* 6.30pm — 8pm

Firework Display, Outdoor Disco &

Disney Fancy Dress Parade

Hot food and refreshments

Tickets available in advance from Brook Primary School

Family £17 (2 Adults & 2 Children)

Adult £6.00 Child £4.00 (under 3's free)

Payment on the night will be £7.00 per person (adult or thild)

No unaccompanied under 18's, ID may be asked for

This is a walk to event

There will be NO parking available

NB: Please note that we will not be having a bonfire this year due to Health and Safety restrictions. Please do not let this dampen the spirit – it is still set to be an amazing night!

Brook Primary <u>School, George</u> Street, <u>Wordsley</u>, DY8 5YN Telephone 01384 389888 Please spread the word - everyone is welcome! Let friends and family know about our wonderful event.

### Brook Fireworks- We need your help!

Each year we love to decorate our school garden and it would be great if you could help with this.

We are looking for any decorations whether they be homemade or purchased to light up the garden.

Perhaps this could be a half term project- even better if it's got a Disney theme!

Perhaps a Disney lantern or Disney character scarecrow!

There are lots of ideas online:

https://www.pinterest.com/Disney-halloweencrafts/



Today our School Council met with local MP Mike Wood and local Councillor Adam Davies. We asked them a range of questions and spoke to them about how they can support our school and community events.



### Spelling Shed

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Well done to the top spellers in each class for the past 7 days!

The top class of the week is... 5P

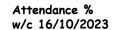
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Well done!

| 1R | Sienna |
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| 1W | Joshua |
| 2 <i>C</i> | Ellie |
| 2T | Oscar |
| 3B | Amelie |
| 3МН | Mia |
| 4D | Eli |
| 4F | Grace |
| 5I | Natalia |
| 5P | Lexi |
| 6HT | Marcus |
| 6AH | Sophie |



6HT were the highest attendees in KS2 and 2C were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

| 6HT
School Total | 99% |
|---------------------|--------|
| 6АН | 97.24% |
| 5P | 95% |
| 5l | 95% |
| 4F | 95.60% |
| 4D | 98.08% |
| змн | 96.33% |
| 3B | 95% |
| 2T | 94.33% |
| 2C | 100% |
| 1W | 99.31% |
| 1R | 92.33% |
| Rec B | 95.22% |
| Rec D | 94.40% |

Christmas card competition!

Our local MP Mike Wood is running his annual Christmas card competition again this year!

The best entries will each receive a special prize, the

overall winner will have their design featured on the front of Mike's Christmas card and entries from the runners up will be printed on the back!

This is a great opportunity to show off your creative skills and get involved in a local competition with a

chance to win prizes and have your design on the front of a Christmas card!

Please hand them into school no later than **Wednesday** 8th November!





Brook Buddies



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.



Advanced notice of closure:



Thursday 9th November due to our Brook Fireworks evening

Tuesday 19th December due to our Brook Christmas Market