



Message from Mrs Fellows

What a long half term it has been! Our children and staff have worked incredibly hard and it has been wonderful to see the progress they are making. The Young Voices concert was certainly a high, we had so much fun and it was great to see our children performing together. We have also had our new sensory room installed, which the Well-being Ambassadors have now named as 'The Rainbow Lounge'. Some children have already started to use this and it is a great space for children to enjoy.

The school council have met and they are looking forward to 'Dippy's Greatest Show' after the half term break- they will be in charge of selling the refreshments. Please don't forget to purchase your tickets via ParentPay- it will be a great night for the family to enjoy.

We wish all of our Brook families an amazing half term break!

Thank you for your continued support.

We look forward to welcoming children back to school on **Monday 27th February**.



BROOKBITES

As you are aware our kitchen is no longer owned by Dudley catering and it is our own school kitchen called Brook Bites. With the cost-of-living crisis and increase in food costs, it is essential that we work together with our families to ensure that it works well. Unfortunately, this term there has been a few issues and we are hoping you can help us with this:

Wastage- some children have ordered meals and then change their mind on the day and parents send them with a packed lunch. We really don't like throwing food away, especially in the current climate so please help us by letting us know if your child is bringing a packed lunch instead by 9am, when a hot dinner has been ordered.

Non-ordering- There have been some children who have not had meals ordered over and over again. Whilst we always try to feed these children, we can only offer a limited choice.

Obviously, it is important that children have a healthy, balanced lunch so it is essential that lunches are ordered in advance (48 hours notice is preferred).

We have reviewed and updated our RSE policy which is available to view on our school website. <https://brook.sch.life/page/detail/rse-review>

Please feel free to read the document online and complete the questionnaire available.

We will also be hosting a drop-in presentation on **Wednesday 1st March @ 9:00am** in the school hall, if you would like to come along and find out more information or ask any questions.





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Shoe shopping can be overwhelming for some children. If you think a shopping experience without crowds, noise and bright lights would be better, then book a Quiet Time appointment.

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Opening Hours

Monday – Thursday 9am-8pm

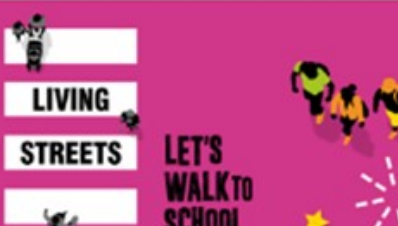
Friday 9am-9pm

Saturday 9am-7pm

Sunday 11am-5pm



Well done Brook! We are currently 2nd place! We're half-way through the spring WOW Walk of Fame Challenge! Please remember to travel to school after half term actively (walk, park/stride, scoot, cycle etc) Keep it up!



WOW the WALK TO SCHOOL challenge

WALK of FAME

TOP 10

DUDLEY LEADERBOARD

1. Glynne Primary School
2. Brook Primary School
3. Wallbrook Primary School
4. Greenfield Primary School
5. Northfield Road Primary School
6. Crestwood Park Primary School
7. Maidensbridge Primary School
8. Howley Grange Primary School
9. Colley Lane Primary Academy
10. Caslon Primary Community School

SPRING 2022

#WOWWalkOfFame

A huge well done to everyone who has achieved 100% attendance since September 2022 and also had no late marks! All the names were put into a hat and were drawn out for prizes...

Congratulations to Riley from year 4 and Oscar from year 1 who won the Big Bounce vouchers to use in half term! We hope you have lots of fun!

And congratulations to Daniel from year 2, Amber from year 6, Seth from year 1 and Freddie from year 4 who won some yummy chocolates!

Perfect Attendance!




★ On Thursday, 10 children from Year 3 and 4 attended a dodgeball tournament at the Ellowes School. They competed against 15 teams from schools across Dudley. They managed to come second in their group of 5 teams, winning twice and narrowly losing their 3rd game. This meant they were able to compete in their final games and managed to finish 4th overall! They all played fantastically and showed some excellent dodgeball skills!



Internet Safety



The last few weeks, we have been inundated with issues regarding the use of social media and inappropriate messages. We have dealt with these accordingly and continue to talk about online safety regularly, but we would ask that parents take some time this holiday to talk to their children about the use of phones and **simply just being kind**. One of my personal mottos is to 'treat others as I'd like to be treated' and I'd really like to instill this in all of our pupils.

Miss Didlock's Mega Maths Challenge

Usman saves 10p and 50p coins in his money box.



He has saved £12.70

32 of the coins in the money box are 10p coins.

How many 50p coins are in the box?

KS2 it is your turn this week to see if you can complete Miss Didlock's mega maths challenge!

Dippy Family Show

We are very excited to be hosting the 'Dippy Family Show' on March 2nd from 6.30-8.30pm.

We would love as many families as possible to attend. It will be an action-packed show which will entertain the whole family so why not come along?

It's only £4 a ticket whether you're a child or an adult! Dippy will be visiting the school in the first week back to tell your children more about it.

Tickets are purchased easily through parent Pay.



Uniform

As the year progresses, unfortunately uniform standards seem to dip for both the school day and PE.

We want our pupils to be proud of their uniform, it sets the example, and it is essential that standards are high.

If necessary, please use the half term break to check your child's uniform and ensure that it follows school policy.

If you need some help with school uniform, we do have some pre-loved items in school to help out. Please just ask.



CONGRATULATIONS!

We would like to congratulate our girls football team!

They played their first ever league game last night on our home turf and battled hard showing great teamwork with some wonderful passing and tackles.

They won 6-3.

Well Done girls!

Spelling Shed

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

The top class of the week is...
6AH - Well done!

Rec	Jaina
Rec	Hudson
1ZH	Oscar
1CR	Nafisa
2HD	Thomas
2EB	Iwan
3WH	Jack
3RT	Eli
4AC	Abigail
4LF	Eliza
5C	Joel
5HI	Isaac
6HT	-
6AH	Kyle

Attendance %
w/c 06/02/2023

3RT were the highest attendees in KS2 and 2EB were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

Rec SD	88.21%
Rec H/W	93.10%
1CR	88%
1ZH	86.67%
2EB	93.33%
2HD	83.67%
3RT	98%
3W/H	94.58%
4AC	95.67%
4LF	96%
5C	96%
5HI	96%
6AH	95.33%
6HT	95.33%
School Total	92.22%
Target	96+%

Next half term we will be hosting our termly parents evening here at school.

PARENTS EVENING

Early years & KS1 (except for 2HD) - Monday 13th March

*Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to move 2HD to Wednesday.

KS2 & 2HD - Wednesday 15th March

Slots will be available to book after half term and will run from 3:30 - 7pm.

Did You Know?

Did you know we have an adult book hotel located in the school office?! Please feel free to pop in to browse what books we have and please take home any you fancy reading!

You can drop them back in and swap it for another one or drop any of your unwanted books in too for others to read!



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.