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Parent Consultations

Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Monday 9th October 3:40-7pm

Key Stage 1 & Early Years (Butterflies, Rec, Y1 & 2) Wednesday 11th October 3:40 - 7pm

Our 'settling-in' parent consultations are now available to book from Friday 29th September.

Please log in to your School Life account and you will be able to make your booking here.

Appointments are for 5-minute slots, books will not be shared at this appointment as the children have only just started and it is more a conversation about how they have settled and a chance for you to ask any questions or raise concerns.



October is International Walk to School Month and the autumn WOW Walk of Fame Challenge!

Thousands of pupils will be making an extra effort to walk/wheel to school (cycle, scoot or use park and stride) to try and top their local and national leaderboard, and we hope our school will join us.



You don't need to do anything extra to take part; just keep travelling to school actively and log your journeys on the WOW Travel Tracker in class each day.

The benefits of walking to school:

- Children feel happier and healthier
- They arrive to school refreshed, healthy, and ready to learn
- A reduction in congestion and pollution at the school gates



If you can't walk to school...

Park and Stride to help your child earn their WOW badge. You can park or hop off public transport at least ten minutes away from the school and walk the remaining journey.

Badges:

There are 11 badges to be earned from September 2023 - July 2024. Each badge has been designed by a pupil from across the UK as part of our annual WOW Badge Design Competition. A new badge can be earned every month if you walk/wheel, cycle, scoot or Park and Stride at least once a week.

Please support us on Census day (Thursday 5th October) by booking a school meal via ParentPay. Please see the menu on the poster below. Funding is awarded based on school meals taken on Census day, which benefits all of our children.



Thursday 5th October

Our menu is
Chicken nuggets & chips
Cheese and tomato pizza & chips
Jacket potato
Followed by ice cream
Please remember to book on ParentPay

School Census day is incredibly important as it informs the local authority of our free school meal numbers which decides how much funding the school receives.

The more meals that are taken on this day, the more funding we can secure for the school which can then be spent on education and resources provided to our pupils here at Brook.

Drinks in school

We encourage our children to bring a drinks bottle to school each day as we understand the importance of regular drinking.

However, as a healthy school we promote the drinking of water rather than high-concentrated drinks. We have noticed more and more children bringing squash to school rather than water.

Please encourage your child to drink water as much as possible.



DODDDDDDDDDDD Brook fireworks



Thursday 9th November



Keep an eye on school life -Tickets go on sale soon!!



Bikeability

Our year 5 and 3 children had the opportunity to practice their biking skills this week by completing a Bikeability course.



The children did so well and we were really proud of their successes.

Here at Brook, we aim to provide opportunities for personal development and as a life skill we felt that this was an exciting activity for our children to try. We hope they enjoyed it!

Year Group Newsletters

Every year group have now sent a newsletter out for the autumn term, which tells you about what your child will be studying this term.

We feel it is important that you understand what your child will be learning about and hopefully, you will be able to support us with this perhaps by talking about your own experiences /knowledge, reading books about the different themes or even arranging a family day out.

If you have any questions about what your child is learning, please just ask!

School photographs 16th October 2023

We are having class photos taken for each year group on the 16th October.

There is no obligation to purchase these class photos. Individual photos will be taken later on in the year.

All children must come to school in their uniform and bring PE kits even if this is their PE day.

<u>Butterflies</u> - if your child only does afternoons or isn't in this day, please bring them to the front office by 9:15 so they can be in the class

photo.

Last week some of our Year 6 children went on a 4 night residential to Astley Burf and they had a fantastic experience! The children were a credit to the school as they showed many of our school values such as resilience, independence and challenge!



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Wednesday 19th October 2022

Vaccination UK will be in school on Wednesday 19th October to administer the flu vaccine.

Vaccination UK are moving away from paper consent forms for school vaccinations, and these are being replaced by E-Consent.

It is important that all parents complete the E-Consent form. Even if the parents decline the vaccine, we still need the consent form completed. This will ensure that the child does not receive a vaccination in error.

As much as we love our furry friends, the school site is a No Dog Zone!

Many dogs are friendly and as a dog lover, Mrs Fellows loves to see them, but unfortunately due to uncertainty and un-predictability we d

uncertainty and un-predictability we can never be too safe.

Dogs are not allowed on the school playground, even if they are held in arms.

National Trust are offering a single use ticket (2 adults & up to 3 children) free on any date up to 20th October for a selection of their properties!

This is a great opportunity for our families and children to get out and explore nature in some really beautiful settings.

You can claim a ticket via this link:

https://www.nationaltrust.org.u k/features/escape-intoatumn?campid=Social_Central_ Viit_Facebook_Autumn_26092



National Trust

Attendance % w/c 18/09/2023

6AH were the highest attendees in KS2 and 2T were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

Rec D	90.40%
Rec B	95.65%
1R	98.67%
1W	97.93%
2C	94%
2T	100%
3B	96.79%
змн	96.67%
4D	96.92%
4F	97.20%
5 l	92%
5P	98.67%
6AH	99.66%
6HT	97.67%
School Total	96%
Target	97%



Thankyou to everyone that joined us for our Macmillan coffee morning this morning!

It was a great turn out and we are excited to share with you what we have raised for this great cause.



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.



Advance notice of closure



Thursday 9th November due to Brook fireworks