



Message from Mrs Fellows

Another half term has come to the end and we are now halfway through the year- we would like to wish all of our children and families a wonderful half term break.

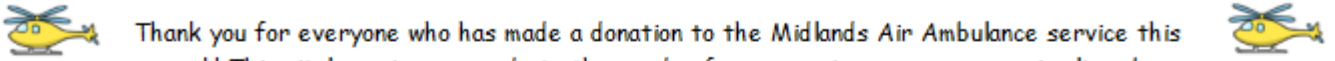
I would like to personally thank all of the parents who donated to Child Bereavement UK in memory of my daughter, Larissa- we raised just over £3200!

Over the holiday we hope you enjoy lots of family time, but we also make a plea that you take some time to read with your children as this is such an important skill. Reading time can also be precious time, spent together enjoying the excitement of a story.

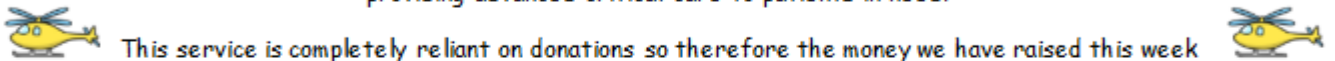
Next term brings Comic Relief, parents evenings, science week, World Book day and plenty more enrichment opportunities before breaking up for the Easter holiday. We are currently in the process of organising our Easter sports camp which may help with childcare arrangements during the holiday.



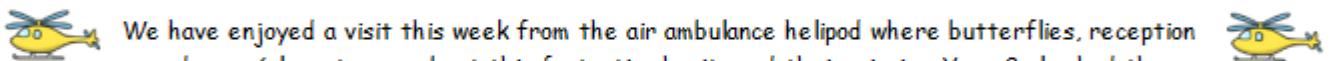
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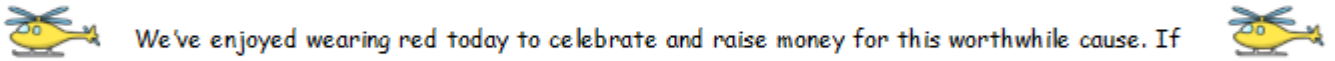
Thank you for everyone who has made a donation to the Midlands Air Ambulance service this week! This vital service responds to thousands of emergencies every year saving lives by providing advanced critical care to patients in need.



This service is completely reliant on donations so therefore the money we have raised this week will be a great help.



We have enjoyed a visit this week from the air ambulance helipod where butterflies, reception and year 6 learnt more about this fantastic charity and their mission. Year 2 also had the opportunity to speak with staff and have a practise at some life saving CPR skills.



We've enjoyed wearing red today to celebrate and raise money for this worthwhile cause. If you haven't yet made a donation please head to ParentPay to do so today, every penny counts!



## Pupil achievements



Well done to Daphne from Butterflies who has achieved her Duckling 1 swimming certificate!



Well done to Hugo from Butterflies who has achieved his Stanley 1 & Stanley 2 swimming awards!



Well done to Archie from Butterflies who has achieved his Duckling 1 swimming award!

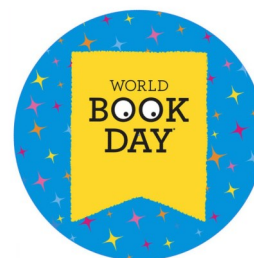


We have been lucky enough to be given a code that will save our families up to 20% off tickets by going direct to their website [www.bigbouncerevents.co.uk/tickets](http://www.bigbouncerevents.co.uk/tickets) and entering the discount code **SCH20** at checkout.



All children who had 100% attendance and no late marks since September 2024 were put into a draw to win a Big Bounce pass to use this half term.

Well done to Anthony from Year 3 who was the lucky winner!



We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Friday 7th March 2025!** We would love for our children to be involved and encourage them to dress up as their favourite book character.

We understand that this can be an extra expense, so we do not expect you to go out and purchase an outfit - homemade ones are always welcomed!

## Girls football

A huge well done to the girls who played in the football league this half term. To say that we had never played together before and had minimal training the girls did us proud. They battled well and we had some outstanding saves from our goalkeeper! The results are below:

### Results

Monday 20th January 2025				
FIXTURE 1				RESULTS
Pitch 1	Belle Vue	V	Blanford Mere	0-0
Pitch 2	Brook	V	Dawley Brook	0-1
FIXTURE 2				
Pitch 1	Belle Vue	V	Brook	1-0
Pitch 2	Dawley Brook	V	Glynne	1-7
FIXTURE 3				
Pitch 1	Dingle	V	Blanford Mere	0-3
Pitch 2	Belle Vue	V	Glynne	0-3
FIXTURE 4				
Pitch 1	Dingle	V	Dawley Brook	0-3
Pitch 2	Blanford Mere	V	Glynne	0-5

Monday 10th February 2025				
FIXTURE 1				RESULTS
Pitch 1	Brook	V	Dingle	1-1
Pitch 2	Dawley Brook	V	Blanford Mere	0-3
FIXTURE 2				
Pitch 1	Glynne	V	Brook	3-0
Pitch 2	Dingle	V	Belle Vue	0-8
FIXTURE 3				
Pitch 1	Glynne	V	Dingle	8-0
Pitch 2	Blanford Mere	V	Brook	0-0
FIXTURE 4				
Pitch 1	Dawley Brook	V	Belle Vue	1-2

### Final Standings

	PLD	W	D	L	F	A	PTS
Glynne	5	5	0	0	26	1	15
Belle Vue	5	3	1	1	11	4	9
Blanford Mere	5	2	2	1	6	5	8
Dawley Brook	5	2	0	3	6	12	6
Brook	5	0	2	3	1	6	2
Dingle	5	0	1	4	1	22	1



## Yr 5 & 6 Sports Hall Athletics

On Friday the 7th January 12 children from Year 5 and 6 attended an athletics competition where they took part in a mix of both field and track events.

The children represented Brook Primary School beautifully and Mrs Williams was very proud of the sportsmanship, respect and resilience they showed during their events and when supporting one another.

The children told us they found it hard but commented on how well they thought they had done and how much they had improved throughout the event! They all told us they thoroughly enjoyed the event and supporting their peers.

**Jasmine:** I was feeling really nervous, I jumped quite far and was proud

**Norah:** It was hard because it seemed really far, but I enjoyed it

**Grayson:** I loved it, the two lap relay was really fun, I did really well on the triple jump. I improved on my score each time.



### Hardship vouchers

Later on today, our families who are entitled to free school meals will be receiving the £10 voucher for half term.

If your family isn't eligible for free school meals but would value some support, please reach out to us and email [info@brook.dudley.sch.uk](mailto:info@brook.dudley.sch.uk) as we may be able to send you a voucher after the half term holiday.

**WE ARE HERE TO HELP**

## Reminder!!

Monday 24th February is an INSET day so school is closed to children. Children return to school on Tuesday 25th February.

The school gates open at 8:45am until 9am so please make every effort to get your children to school by this time - there should be no children arriving through the front office late.

7 - 16 March



BRITISH  
SCIENCE  
WEEK 2025



### The British Science Week 2025 poster competition is open now!

The theme this year is '**Change and Adapt**'! Pupils could create a poster showing how plants and animals adapt to changing seasons or surroundings, or how humans have adapted to changing technology. They could look at climate change and how we can adapt our behaviours to protect the environment, or their favourite science experiment and how it shows change.

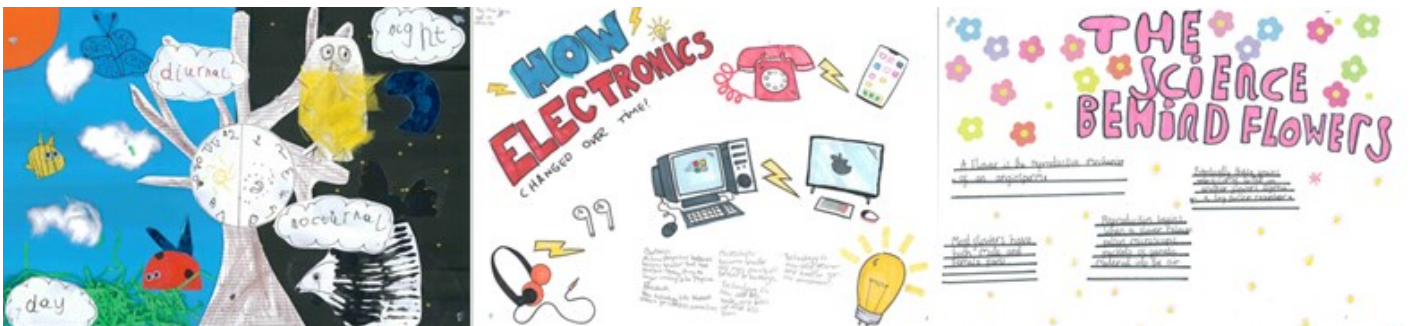
The more creative the interpretation of the theme, the better!

Judges will be looking for a **creative approach**, clear **content** (accurate information about a STEM topic) and a poster that is presented in an **engaging way**. Entries must be one page of A4 or A3 paper and have the entrant's first name, age and class written on the back. Brook Primary can only select a maximum of five entries to be sent off. (Please note if you do not wish for pupil's name and age to be submitted to the competition then please make this clear on the entry and only the school name will be shared.)

Entries will need to be submitted to Ms Tsang by Friday 21st March.

Full terms and conditions can be found at [Poster competition - British Science Week](#)

Here are some lovely entries from 2024:





In the coming weeks we shall be loading parents evening appointments that will be available to book via the School Life app.

We will send out a School Life message to let you know when Parent's evening appointments will be available to book. Please make sure you are logged in to the app and your notifications are turned on.

The parents evening icon will be displayed at the bottom of the main menu on the left hand side of the app. This is where you can choose your time slot. Please do not call the office to book places for you, we can assist with your account details but can't book the appointments for you.



## Brook Buddies

**\*\* Please ensure you have an updated agreements form completed \*\***

<https://forms.office.com/e/V2Sw2WJSHb>

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:

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!

**Please could we remind parents that pay via voucher/tax free payments, you need to send your payments to the Buddies email: buddies@brook.dudley.sch.uk. Please do not send to the school info address as sometimes they may get overlooked and missed.**

**This week in Buddies we have been busy collaging and creating some valentines cards!**

**Can we remind parents to ensure they have booked the correct sessions - we are having a number of children that haven't been booked in and this can be a problem if you are working and we have no spaces available.**

**Thank you.**

### Last weeks attendance:

03/02/25 - 07/02/25

3S were the highest attendees in KS2 and 2T were the highest in KS1.



Rec B	96.40%
Rec R	84.81%
1D	88.33%
1H	94.80%
2C	90.67%
2T	97.59%
3F	96.90%
3S	98%
4HD	95.86%
4W	96.55%
5I	90.34%
5SW	95%
6AH	96.33%
6E	96.90%
School Total	<b>94.27%</b>
Target	97%