

Brookfield Park Primary School



Newsletter

W/B 14th September

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Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/ carers,

It has been another busy week back at school and there has been lots of hard work. The year 1 children have been completing their baseline phonics assessment with Miss Rhodes and have impressed us all with excellent retention of their sounds so thank you to all of our families for keeping up with some reading and practising their sounds over summer, my prize box has needed to be refilled twice already!

The year 6 have been meeting up with their buddies and spent some time Friday afternoon getting to know them better. It's so lovely to see the positive relationships our older children make with the reception and nursery children when they spend time in EYFS and it is lovely to see how caring year 6 are towards all of the younger children. They really step up and become great role models and start to see themselves in a different light, it always makes us proud to see this.

Please remember This Monday 14th is Welcome to your child's new year group sessions at 3:20 and 4:20. Lots of important information is given out so please try and attend if at all possible.

The weather in Autumn term, as we all know, can be unpredictable and warm days can be followed straight away with colder and showery days so please make sure your child has a coat as we try to get the children out for fresh air as much as possible despite the weather.

If you can't attend, please get in touch with your child's class teacher through the class website and request a copy of the slides and any information that might be given out. I look forward to seeing as many parents there as possible. Remember the first session is straight after school so you will come to the usual door to meet your child and the class teacher will then take you through school to the classroom. The second session starts at 4:20pm so please come to the front door for that session.

As parents and carers will probably be aware the government continue to put pressure on schools to improve our attendance rates. This means that we have re looked once again at our behaviour policy which means there are some small changes. We have tried to specify when parents will be fined for poor attendance and holidays. Worth noting is that all holidays taken during school term time will likely receive a fine whereas all holidays which are over 5 days, regardless of previous good attendance, will automatically receive a fine unless the circumstances prove to be exceptional. We will also be fining where attendance drops below an acceptable percentage. This will be clarified during the meetings on Monday and in Mrs Johanson's letter. If you require any support with your child's attendance then please don't hesitate to get in touch as we want to work with families to help it improve, that is our ultimate aim.

Please see the admissions information below for September 2027 admissions for children in year 6 moving to secondary school and for children starting reception next September. I have also added a link on both flyers in the top left hand corner to the admissions page on the LCC website to make it a bit easier. If anyone is struggling with access to the online form etc please don't hesitate to ask us for help. **If you know of anyone looking for a reception place for next September or someone who may need a school place now, please point them in our direction, we'd be happy to give a tour at anytime and to answer any questions.**

Thankyou as always for your wonderful support for your children and our fantastic staff team.

Yours Sincerely

SJ Whiteside

Head teacher: Mrs Sarah-Jane Whiteside, **Bed (Hons)**

Contact us for a tour and a chat about our wonderful school

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Attendance

Please see below for class attendance figures for the week. beginning 3rd September
Well done to our **joint winners – THE NOOK & LITTLE ACORNS!**

 The Nook	100%
 Little Acorns	100%

Children attending our 3 year old and 2 year old provision are not yet school age so attendance is not statutory, however we like to see children encouraged to attend all of their sessions to set them on the right path to be good attenders as they reach compulsory school age.

 Big Acorns	90.48%	In line with DFE expectations and statutory guidance, please remember that school cannot authorise any term time holidays unless the circumstances are exceptional . Each case will be looked at individually. Where the holiday is taken as unauthorised and the pupil’s attendance is of concern, it will result in parents being fined.
 Oak Class	91.67%	
Brookfield Park guide to excellence in attendance		
 Maple Class	97.12%	98-100% ON TARGET SELF MONITORING ON TARGET for achieving excellence in attendance. Well done! ACTIONS YOU WILL BE REWARDED WITH HOUSE POINTS AND AN END OF TERM CELEBRATION
 Holly Class	94.64%	95-97% 50 MISSED LESSONS CLASS TEACHER MONITORING Class teacher will closely monitor attendance and may make contact with parents ACTIONS PHONECALLS HOME FROM CLASS TEACHER CLASS TEACHER WILL FOLLOW UP ABSENCES
 Beech Class	92.11%	90-94% 100 MISSED LESSONS PASTORAL AND ATTENDANCE LEAD MONITORING The learning mentor and attendance lead will monitor attendance and meet with parents. ACTIONS LETTER HOME REGULAR CONTACT FROM PASTORAL TEAM PARENTS MAY BE ASKED TO ATTEND A MEETING BELOW 95% LETTER
 Willow Class	93.75%	85-89% 150 MISSED LESSONS PASTORAL AND ATTENDANCE LEAD INTERVENTION The learning mentor and attendance lead will monitor attendance and meet with parents. ACTIONS FORMAL PARENT MEETING ARRANGED ATTENDANCE CONTRACT DRAWN UP 2 WEEK REVIEWS BELOW 90% LETTER
Whole School Attendance 94% (Target 96%)		BELOW 85% 200 MISSED LESSONS LOCAL AUTHORITY INVOLVEMENT The local authority will become involved and a fine may be issued. ACTIONS ATTENDANCE PANEL MEETING FINE MAY BE ISSUED If you haven’t already, please get the free Studybugs app, or register on the Studybugs website, and use it to tell us whenever your child’s ill and unable to attend school. Get the app or register now (https://studybugs.com/about/parents)

Dates For your Diary

Friday 18th September –Family drop in at 9am

Monday 14th September –Welcome to class meetings at 3.20pm and 4.20pm including Reception phonics sessions

Tuesday 22nd September–Reception Starters Parent meeting at 3.30pm

Tuesday 6th October –Flu vaccinations

Friday 9th October -Family drop in at 9am

Wednesday 21st October –Individual and sibling photographs

Thursday 22nd October –Autumn term 1 ends at 3.15pm

Monday 2nd November –Autumn term 2 starts at 8.45am



Lunch Menu Week Commencing Monday 14th September

Monday 14 th Sept –	Chicken wrap with diced potatoes Tomato pasta Jacket potato
Tuesday 15 th Sept –	Beef nacho bake, mixed rice. Sandwich picnic lunch Jacket potato choice
Wednesday 16 th Sept –	Sausage and mash with veg and gravy Mascarpone pasta Sandwich choice
Thursday 17 th Sept –	Chicken curry with rice Cheese quiche with potatoes and beans Jacket potato
Friday 18 th Sept -	Fish fingers, chips and peas Pizza, chips and beans

The Nook

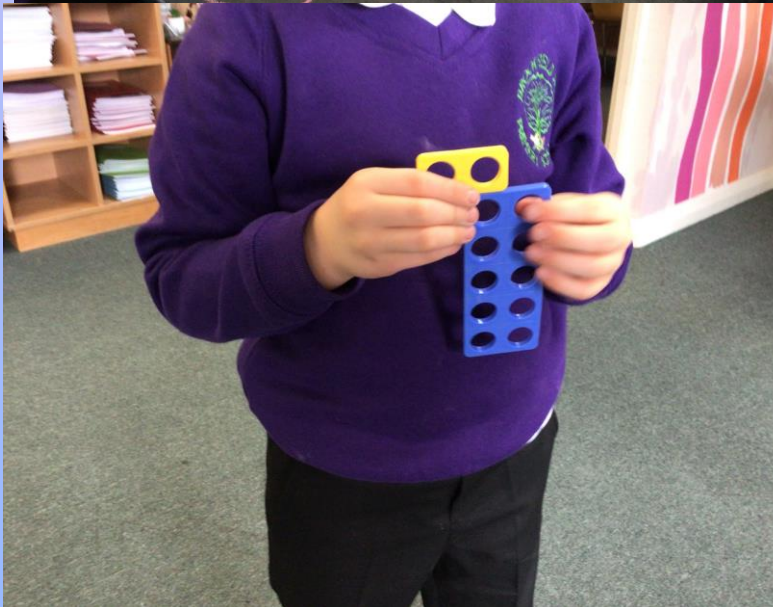
This week we have been focusing on "All About Me" The children have been exploring their unique facial features by looking closely at themselves and discussing questions such as; What colour is your hair? And What colour are your eyes?

We then created self-portraits, carefully choosing colours and painting their own hair, eyes, skin and facial features.





Oak have been learning all about the numbers that make 10 and counting in maths.





Oak have been learning all about families and friendships in PSHE.



Reception



The children have settled into their new school routine, making new friends and exploring the classroom.



Brookfield Park Weekly Award Winners

Well Done to our
Pupil of The Week Winners



These children have been recognised for demonstrating
one of promises **Being resilient**



Well Done to
Maple Class
for winning last
weeks' **Attendance**
Trophy with
97%

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

APPLY NOW!

at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2026 and 31 August 2027.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

School transport



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at lancashire.gov.uk or scan the QR code.



CLOSING DATE

15 January 2027

lancashire.gov.uk



SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SECONDARY

APPLY NOW!

at lancashire.gov.uk/schools

School and Academy places September 2027

You must apply if your child is in their last year of primary school (year 6) from September 2026.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

If you're a non-Lancashire resident apply through your own local authority.

Please read the admission criteria for your chosen schools on the website or get a copy from them.

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CLOSING DATE

31 October 2026

lancashire.gov.uk



PLAYGROUP

Come along to our weekly playgroup for lots of fun, play, singing, crafts and make new friends.



Venue: Brookfield Park Primary School

Location: Main Hall

Date: Every Tuesday (*term time only*)

Time: 09:15 – 11:15

Cost: £2.00 per session (*Includes tea, coffee, juice and toast*)

Everyone welcome!





Brookfield Park The Nook

Could you be entitled to 2 year old funding?
Our exciting and engaging provision still has a few places
available.

Get in touch with school to have a look around and a trial
session

Come join us!

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