

Brookfield Park Primary School



Newsletter

21st September

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Headteacher Update

Dear parents/ carers,

What a fantastic week it's been! I've loved seeing the brilliant learning happening across our school, and the pupils' enthusiasm has been wonderful to witness.

Year 1 have been exploring the monarchy and asking some really thoughtful questions – it's brilliant to see them so engaged. Year 2 and 3 have been diving into their rainforest studies with real excitement, and I've been impressed by how confidently they're discussing the equator. It's moments like these that remind us why we do what we do – creating a space where pupils feel comfortable to ask questions and explore.

Beyond the classroom, there's been loads of energy around the harvest assembly preparations. Children have also been practising ready for National Poetry Day where they will all be performing their poems for the other children on Thursday. Last year saw some excellent performances.

Miss Rhodes choir are learning songs from around the world. So far they have been learning a song sung in Zulu, a song sung in Swahili and an Italian lullaby. They have also been learning an Irish folk song. they will be adding more songs in the coming weeks and practice every Tuesday lunchtime

As always our pupils have been demonstrating brilliant manners. They have been focussing on looking after our school environment. We've been working together to keep things tidy, and it's been lovely to see them taking responsibility – picking things up without being asked and showing real care for our space. Their manners and helpfulness make our children stand out and families should be really proud of the way they behave in school.

A few reminders for you:

- We're collecting dried foods and tinned items for the harvest assembly to donate to the foodbank – please do send in what you can before the assembly taking place on Monday 5th October .
- If you haven't already, do check the letter about the pantomime trip in early December – this is for all pupils from Reception to Year 6 and should make a great start to our December festivities.
- Attendance has been improving overall, though we did notice a slight dip this week. If you need any support with your child's attendance, we're here to help.
- If you haven't already, please do log into the Teachers to Parents app – it's our main way of keeping in touch and where we handle payments for dinners, trips, and activities.

Thankyou as always for your ongoing support.

Yours Sincerely

SJ Whiteside

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

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Attendance

Please see below for class attendance figures for the week. beginning 7th September

Well done to our **winners –LITTLE ACORNS!**

 The Nook	96.72%
 Little Acorns	97.18%

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	92.61%	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 is likely to result in parents being fined.
 Oak Class	93.91%	
 Maple Class	96%	94.23% Not quite as good as last week let's try to get it back to 96% next week Remember to ring in or use the app to report reasons for absence or it will have to be unauthorised. Please get in touch if you are struggling in any way to get your child to come in to school on time in the mornings, there may be lots of things we can do to help.
 Holly Class	91.72%	
 Beech Class	96.32%	
 Willow Class	93.33%	
Whole School Attendance 94.23% (Target 96%)		
		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

Monday 5th October – Celebration Assembly for Harvest Festival (Please can families send in donations for the food bank).

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

Monday 16th November – Friday 20th November – Anti-bullying week in school

Friday 20th November – Children in Need, own clothes day

Tuesday 8th December – Nativity Performances at 10am and 6pm

Friday 11th December – Autumn term attendance celebration afternoon

Monday 14th December – Christmas dinner

Tuesday 15th December – EYFS & KS1 Christmas party

Wednesday 16th December - - KS2 Christmas party



Happy Birthday to everyone who has a birthday in September...

**Dante and Archie in Little Acorns
Nathan, Penny and Elsa in Big Acorns
Sonnie in Oak**

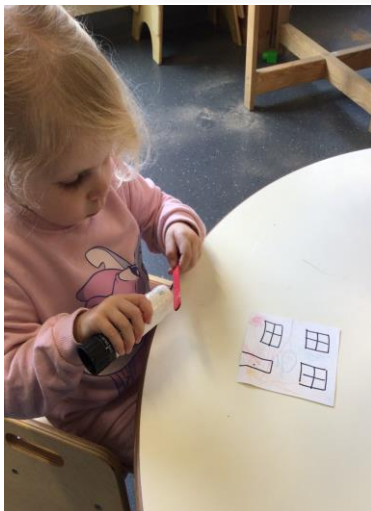
**Dottie and Billie-Jo in Maple
Melissa, Norsin, Summer and Eliza in Holly
Alice, Lukas and Benett in Beech
Alek and Jacob in Willow**

Lunch Menu Week Commencing Monday 28th September

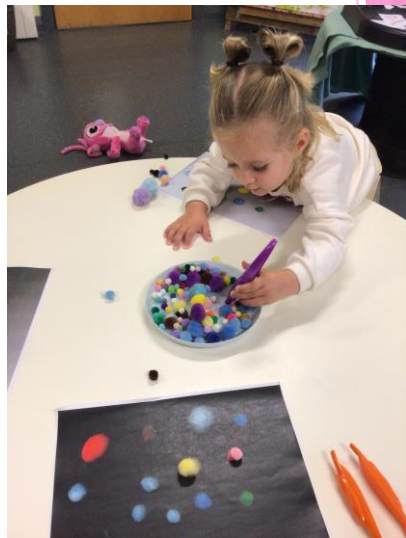
Monday 28th Sept –	Chicken pitta, mixed rice, vegetables Tomato pasta Jacket potato
Tuesday 29 th Sept –	Salmon fishcake, diced potato and vegetables Cheese whirl, diced potato and beans Jacket potato choice
Wednesday 30 th Sept –	Gammon, hash bites and vegetables Mascarpone pasta Sandwich choice
Thursday 1 st October –	‘Space Day’ Spaghetti and meatballs in tomato sauce Cheese roll, potatoes and vegetables or beans Jacket potato choice Rocket lolly ice
Friday 2 nd October -	Hotdog, chips and peas Pizza, chips and beans

The Nook

In the Nook this week we have continued to focus on “all about me”, talking about the children's home and family.



Fine and gross motor fun!

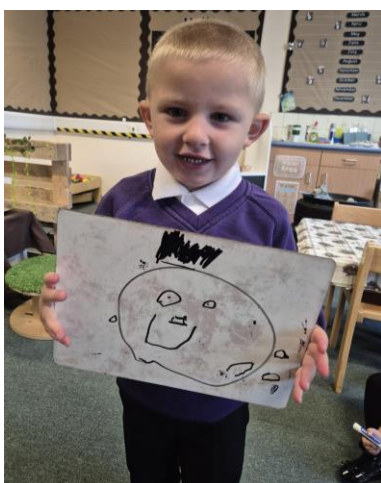




We've had a lovely few weeks in Nursery! The children have enjoyed our '**Marvellous Me**' topic, learning new phonics sounds, and singing lots of number songs.



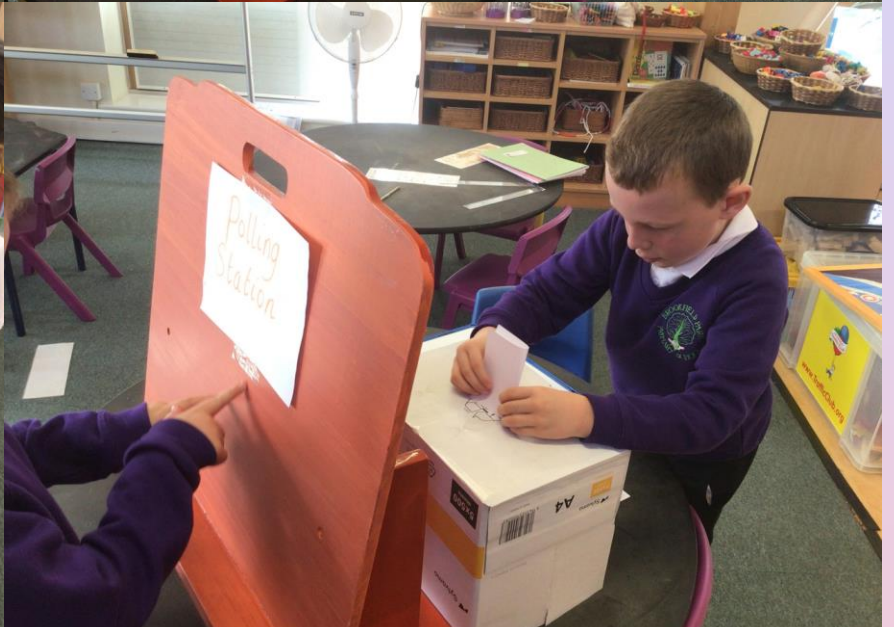
It's been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they learn, play and have fun together!





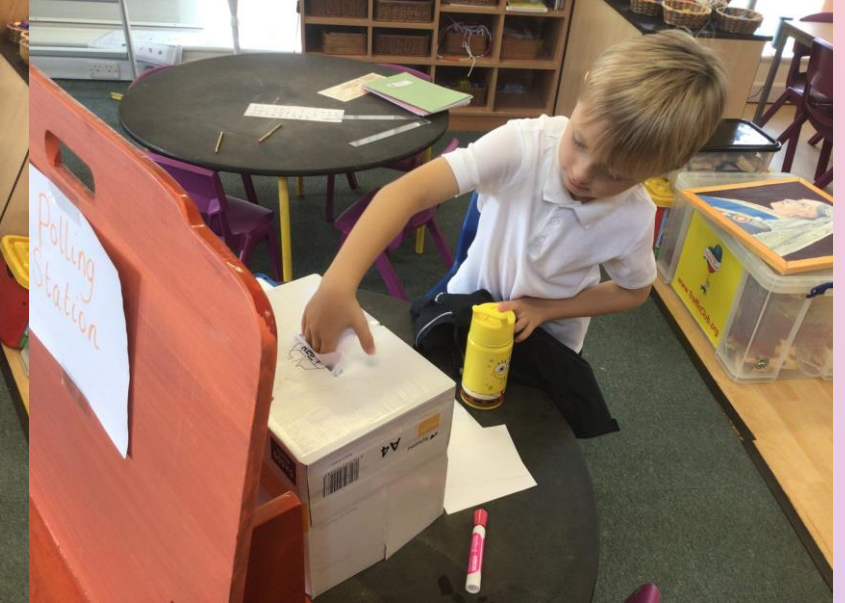
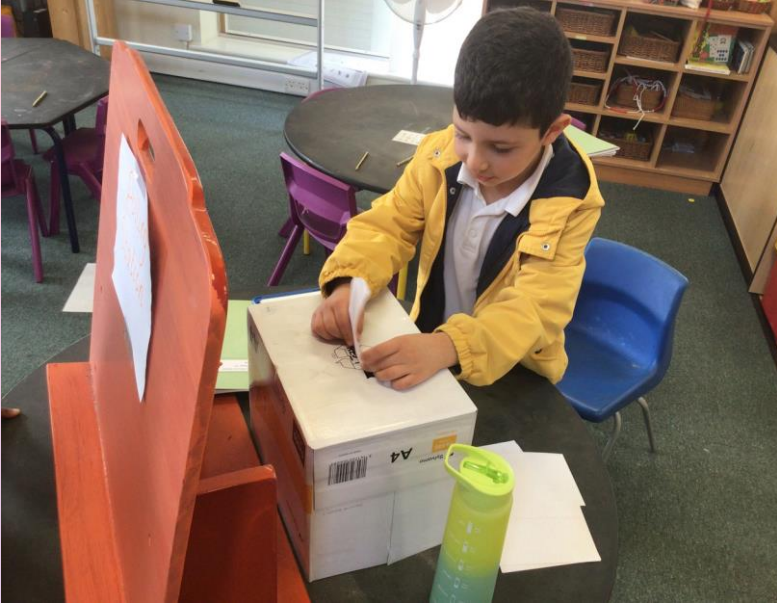
Oak have been learning all about Kings and Queens in History this week.





Year 1 voted democratically for their class MP this year.





Year 2 voted democratically for their class MP this year.





Oak enjoyed some time as a class reading books from the reading corner.



Overheard in Oak class this week:

"Why would you marry your cousin. There's so many people in the world!"*

****Queen Victoria***

"The King had to sign a contract not to be mean like our class rules."*

****The Magna Carta***

"Will Prince William get more hair when he becomes King like his dad?"

"I think we should still have only older brothers allowed to be King because my older sister is annoying."

"It's silly to stop being a prince because they have so many gold."*

****Duke of Sussex, Harry***



Year 4 PE- the children enjoyed creating their own dance routines in small groups.



Beech class
enjoyed their
PE lesson last
week. We
were using
balance as
the focus
after landing





Year 6 have been doing some observational drawing whilst learning about the artwork of Lowry (one of our house teams as well as a great Northern artist)



Meet our New Class MPs



Brookfield Park Weekly Award Winners



Well done to
these children
for looking after
our environment

Well Done to
our
Pupil of The
Week
Winners



Well done
to
Lovelace
House
This
week's
house
point
winners

Well Done to
Beech Class
for winning last weeks' **Attendance Trophy** with
96.32%

**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.

CLOSING DATE
15 January 2027

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.



lancashire.gov.uk





SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY SOUTH

**Do you have a child starting
primary school in September 2027
and living in Lancashire?**

Closing date: 15 January 2027

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

Apply for a school place now by scanning
the QR code or visit lancashire.gov.uk/schools



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference,
please check the guidance on our website, or call 01772 532109.

**Have
your say**

*Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with
you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs.
To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/schoolplaces
and click 'school admission policies'.*

lancashire.gov.uk

