

# Brookfield Park Primary School



## Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> September

*Remember you can also find all of this information on our website:*

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### **Headteacher Update**

Dear parents/ carers,

It has been another busy week of learning this week and we were also pleased with the turn out to our introduction to the year group meetings, so many thanks for attending. If you were unable to attend but still want the information please get in touch with the class teacher who can share any important information.

Please see the information below if you are applying for secondary school places or have a child who will be entering our reception class next September.

**For anyone applying for a reception place at Brookfield Park, for September 2026 when you enter the name of the first choice primary school, in order to find it on the list you have to type in Skelmersdale Brookfield Park Primary school.**

*If anyone has any difficulties with the admissions process please get in touch and we will offer any help you may need.*

Lots more exciting things are happening this term, we will be taking some children to The Bellway Homes development this week to experience some of the skills involved in working onsite like bricklaying.

They have also kindly offered to help us with some materials that we might need to continue to develop our outside provision in our wonderful EYFS unit. You can see from the pictures below that the children are enjoying some of the creative ways they can use different equipment.

Our class MPs have also been elected this week and will be receiving their special MP badges. They have some very important decisions to make once again this year about how we do things in school and will, I'm sure, represent their classes brilliantly.

Year 1 and year 2 went on a geography fieldwork walk in the local area to find out about the things they probably see everyday, they were able to tell me about lots of new vocabulary they have learnt and explain some of the different road signs they saw.

We had another hotspot day this week, this is where we have a morning that the children are unaware of beforehand and anyone attending on that day gets a raffle ticket and has the opportunity to win a prize but only if they are in school on time on hot spot day as tickets are given out straight away as the children arrive in school.

Apologies for the lateness of this weeks newsletter this was owing to a technical hitch. I hope everyone has had a lovely weekend and enjoyed at least one sunny day

Yours Sincerely

*SJ Whiteside*

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

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

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# Attendance










**For week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> September.** Please see below last week's class attendance figures.

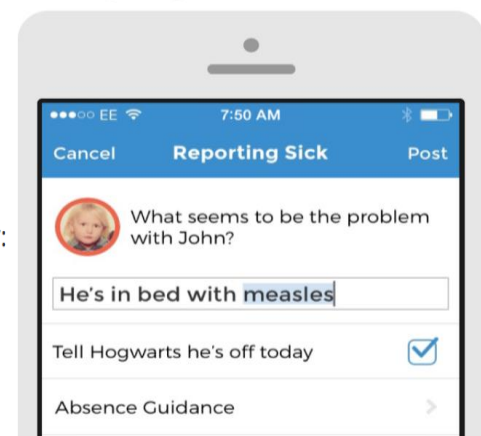
Well done to our winners **The Nook once again and Willow Class.**

 <b>The Nook</b>	100%
 <b>Little Acorns</b>	93.10%



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.

 <b>Big Acorns</b>	96.47%	<p>In line with DFE expectations and statutory guidance, please remember that <b>school cannot authorise any term time holidays</b> unless the <b>circumstances are exceptional</b>. 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.</p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">Get the app or register now</a> (<a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">https://studybugs.com/about/parents</a>)</p> <p><b>A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.</b></p> <p>With a few quick taps or clicks, you can give your child's school all they need to record absence due to illness.</p> <p>Get the free mobile app now...</p> <p> </p> <p>...or register online to use via your web browser:</p> <p><a href="#">Register Free!</a></p> <p>Already a user? <a href="#">Sign in here.</a></p>
 <b>Oak Class</b>	91.53%	
 <b>Hazel Class</b>	85.71%	
 <b>Maple Class</b>	92.22%	
 <b>Holly Class</b>	95.50%	
 <b>Beech Class</b>	96.43%	
 <b>Willow Class</b>	100%	
<p><b>Whole School Attendance</b> 93.89% (Target 96%)</p>		



## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK?



*Big Acorns* played games to help us follow instructions - like Simon says, and then we made an obstacle course with silly rules. We had to wear a hat before climbing over the bridge, and we had to put on over gloves before crawling under the table. We had so much fun that we built another obstacle course outside!





**Big Acorns** have been learning all about our families, looking for similarities and differences to the families our friends have. Miss Chivers turned our family pictures into jigsaws. We loved putting the pieces together, on our own pictures and our friends!



Here we are enjoying PE, **following instructions well** and **learning new skills.**





*Year 1* enjoyed their local walk and found out lots about the area around school!





We saw lots of interesting things like this statue and this beautiful sign!





*Year 1* developing their mapping skills.

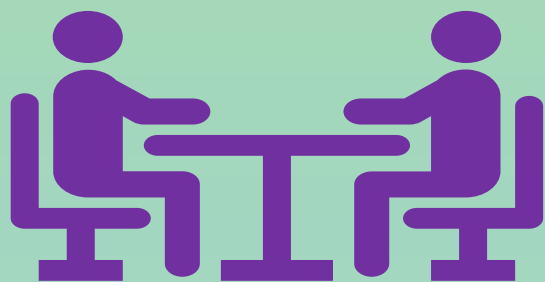


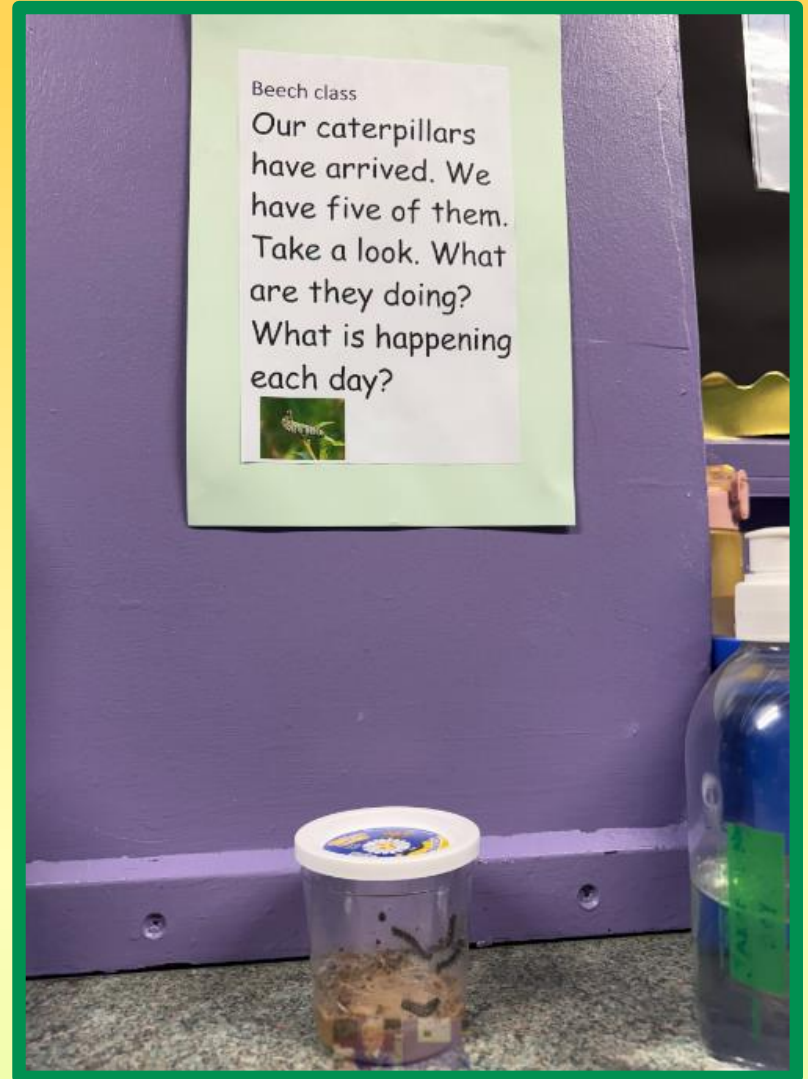


Democracy in action! *Year 1* at the voting booth.



*Year 1 and Year 2* enjoying playing together.





Year 5 looking after caterpillars! When will they become butterflies?

# Brookfield Park Weekly Award Winners

## WELL DONE TO THE HOTSPOT WINNERS



These children have been recognised for demonstrating one of our new promises  
**We show respect**



Well Done to our  
**Pupil of The Week**  
Winners

Well Done to  
**The Nook and Willow Class**  
for winning last weeks'  
**Attendance Trophy**  
with an amazing  
**100%**



The winning House Team this week are Lovelace House



Meet the **Lowry House** Captain  
and Vice Captain

Meet the **Parris House**  
Captain and Vice Captain

Meet the **Shakespeare House**  
Captain and Vice Captain

Meet the  
**Lovelace  
House** Vice  
Captain

**Meet your new MP's who will represent  
their classes in our school Parliament**

## Dates For your Diary

W/c 29th September – Bikeability week

Friday 10th October – Flu Immunisations

Wednesday 22nd October- individual and family photos

Friday 24th October- school closes for half term. Children finish at 3:15

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Autumn term 2 starts

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Cake sale

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Non uniform day

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Nativity 10am & 6pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas jumper day and school Christmas dinner

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS & KS1 party day

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 party day

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Autumn term 2 ends at 1.30pm

Who has a Birthday in  
**September**

**Happy Birthday to....**

**Archie Norman & Dante** in The Nook

**Penny** in Little Acorns

**Sonnie** in Big Acorns

**Dottie** in Oak Class

**Billie-Jo** in Hazel Class

**Melissa, Norsin & Eliza** in Maple Class

**Benett & Alice** in Holly Class

**Dylan** in Beech Class



## School Dinner Menu

The Menu for W/C 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

<b>Monday</b>	Meatballs in tomato sauce with rice Mascarpone pasta with bread Choice of sandwich
<b>Tuesday</b>	Cheese whirl, diced potato and beans Vegetable curry, rice and naan Jacket potato
<b>Wednesday</b>	Gammon roast dinner Sandwich lunch Jacket potato
<b>Thursday</b>	Beef burger, tortilla chips and salad Tomato pasta and bread Jacket Potato
<b>Friday</b>	Fish fingers, chips and peas Pizza chips and beans

# SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PRIMARY

Search for **Skelmersdale Brookfield Park Primary School**

# APPLY NOW!

at [lancashire.gov.uk/schools](https://lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

## School and Academy places September 2026

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2025 and 31 August 2026.

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 2026**

### School transport



If travel cost is an important factor in your school preference, search 'school transport' at [lancashire.gov.uk](https://lancashire.gov.uk) or scan the QR code.



**SCHOOL  
ADMISSIONS  
SECONDARY**

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**CLOSING DATE**  
**31 October 2025**

[lancashire.gov.uk](https://lancashire.gov.uk)



# A message from Pupil Access and Integrated Transport Teams

Dear Parents/Carers of Current Year 6 pupils,

We wanted to get in touch with you about This term's prospective secondary school application, and how important it is to consider home to transport prior to making your final decision. You must consider carefully how your child will get to and from your preferred secondary schools before submitting your application for a school place.

Pupils will only be eligible for free travel if they have an entitlement under the County Council's Home to School Transport Policy. It is important, when selecting your preferences for a school place, that you have read and understood the information available on the website regarding school admissions and travel assistance.

It is essential to remember - for transport purposes - the 'nearest suitable school' is the nearest school to the family home – and - in some cases, the nearest school will be located within another local authority area.

If you choose to send your child to a school that Lancashire County Council does not consider to be the nearest suitable school, there is no duty to provide free transport. You will need to make your own transport arrangements.

Assistance with home to school travel will not be needed for most children as they will attend their local school which will be within a reasonable walking distance when accompanied by a parent/carer as necessary. However, if transport costs are a concern to you, please contact your Area Education Office before submitting your application:

<b>NORTH AREA</b>	<b>SOUTH AREA</b>	<b>EAST AREA</b>
<b>Lancaster, Morecambe, Wyre and Fylde</b>	<b>Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley</b>	<b>Hyndburn, Ribble Valley, Burnley, Pendle and Rossendale</b>
<b>(01524) 581148</b>	<b>(01772) 532109</b>	<b>(01254) 220747</b>

If your child is not eligible for free travel assistance but you would like your child to travel to school by bus, you may be able to buy a season travel pass from us.

The County Council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils and you will need to plan how your child will get to school if space on the bus is not available.

Please call 0300-123-6738 or visit School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council to make an application.

# Welcome to our Breakfast Club

We are open from 7.45 and there is no need to book

[Breakfast Club | Brookfield Park Primary School](#)



## Are you in need of after school provision?

### Try our 3.15 Club

[Activity Club-3.15pm Club | Brookfield Park Primary School](#)

Please note: sessions must be booked by Thursday for the following week.



# 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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