

# Brookfield Park Primary School



## Newsletter

W/B 9<sup>th</sup> February

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### Headteacher Update

Dear parents/ Carers,

It has been great coming back and seeing all of the children this term, it's hard to believe that we only have 1 more week left before February half term. During the last few weeks we have been hit by the sickness bug that seems to be going around and we have had to move staff around to cover absences, so a huge thankyou to everyone for bearing with us during the last 2 weeks. It is highly unusual for us to have such a level of staff absence, even so we will always endeavour to keep school open for the children but in order to do this it does mean some sacrifices need to be made and children may not have exactly the same adults in class, but they all know our staff well and most demonstrate resilience in these situations. Where we know a child may be unsettled by this we will always try to put in place extra measures to ensure the least disruption for them.

The children in Y6 have been trying really hard in their assessments this week and are already making good progress since their last assessments. The rest of the school will be carrying out their end of term assessments just before Easter.

**Our Role Model Award for next week** will focus on great manners in the dining hall. Unfortunately we have noticed that many children are not using their manners when someone hands them something, food, drinks, cutlery for example. For this reason we're looking for some good role models who will get an extra treat if they are recognised by the staff around at lunchtime for saying please and thankyou and demonstrating good table manners (including using their knife and fork correctly). We recognise that we have some extremely well-mannered children in school who never need reminding, that is the aim for everyone so you could help with this at home by reinforcing the message about manners.

You may notice after half term that the website isn't updated for a few weeks. This is whilst we change over to our new website which will be launched on March 6th. Look out for information about this when it arrives. In the meantime we will still send out letters and important information via our teachers to parents platform so please make sure we have your most up to date contact details and if you feel you are missing any communications from school let the office know so we can rectify this.

Please note that due to continued rising costs we will be raising the school lunch prices to £3.10 per day from 13<sup>th</sup> April, straight after Easter. If you are not currently in receipt of free school dinners but feel that you should be, please get in touch with Mrs Allard who will help you to find out if you are eligible.

Wishing you all a good weekend,

Yours Sincerely

*SJ Whiteside*

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

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# Attendance

For week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> January Please see below last week's class attendance figures.

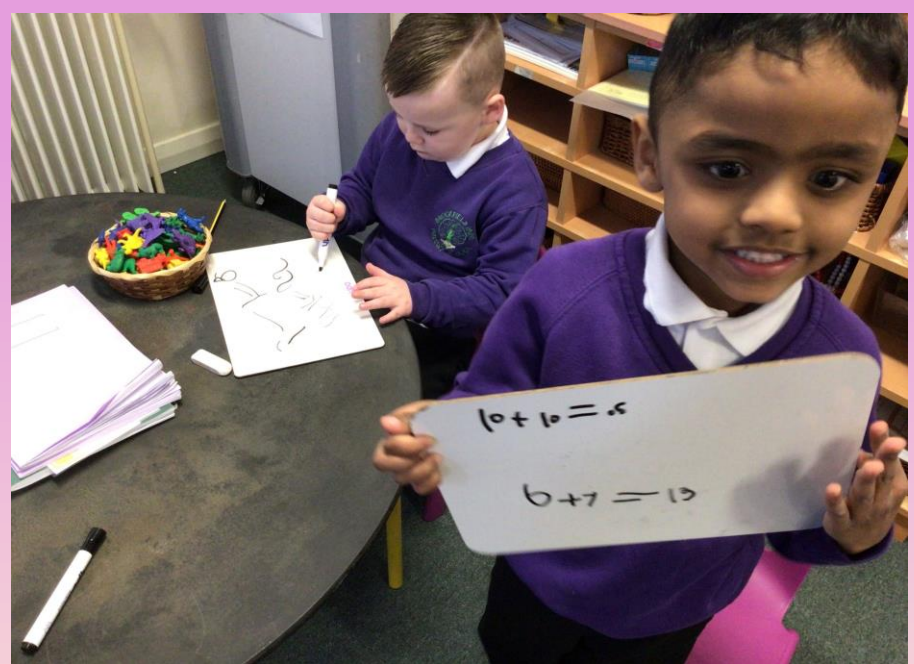
Well done to our winners

 <b>The Nook</b>	50%
 <b>Little Acorns</b>	80.59%

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>	97%	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.
 <b>Oak Class</b>	87.50%	
 <b>Hazel Class</b>	94.74%	<p><b>DID YOU KNOW?</b></p> <p><b>Impact of Lateness:</b> Just 5 minutes late per day equates to 3 days of missed school per year; 30 minutes late equals 4 weeks lost.</p> <p><b>Missed Learning:</b> The first 10 minutes of a lesson are crucial for lesson setup</p> <p><b>We are increasingly seeing too many children arrive late to school. This can have a significant impact on their wellbeing, learning and attitude to school. If you are struggling to get your child to school on time please get in touch with our learning mentor who helps us monitor attendance and has some excellent strategies that may help.</b></p>
 <b>Maple Class</b>	90.71%	
 <b>Holly Class</b>	91.58%	
 <b>Beech Class</b>	97.33%	
 <b>Willow Class</b>	92.50%	
<b>Whole School Attendance</b> 90.58% (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. <a href="https://studybugs.com/about/parents">Get the app or register now</a> (https://studybugs.com/about/parents)

Year 1 have been writing about a theme park, so we experienced some rollercoasters...



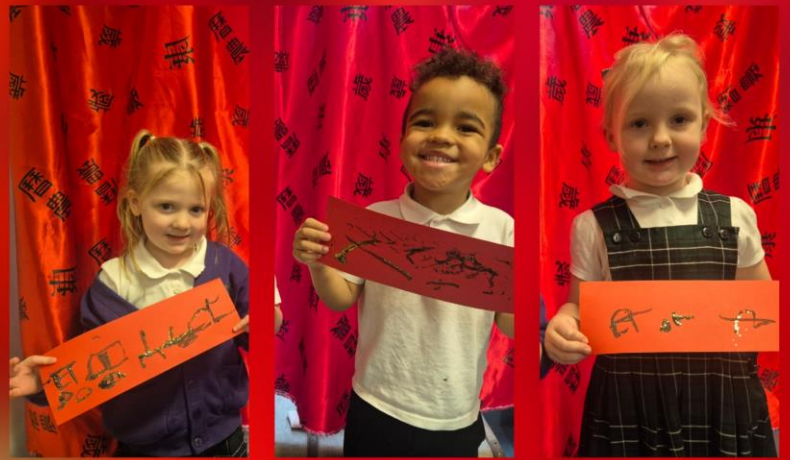
... and learned about near doubles in maths.

# Year 6 are enjoying their PE lesson with a focus on jumping



# Year 4 enjoying science. Using thermometers to investigate the effect of different water temperatures on ice cubes





In Little Acorns this week, our topic has been chinese new year. We have enjoyed food tasting, chinese writing and lots of chinese arts and crafts

## Dates For your Diary

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Spring term 1 ends

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Spring term 2 begins

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World book day

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Parents evening

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Spring term 2 ends

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Summer term 1 begins

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank holiday

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Summer term 1 ends

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Summer term 2 begins

Who has a Birthday in

**February**

**Happy Birthday to....**

**Bertie** in The Nook

**George, Aiden, Isabelle, Paisley & Logan** in Little Acorns

**Marcelina** in Big Acorns

**Elijah & Freddie** in Oak Class

**Joseph** in Hazel Class

**Hanna, Jayden & Isabella** in Beech Class

**Anthony & Vladimir** in Willow Class



## School Dinner Menu

The Menu for W/C 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026

<b>Monday</b>	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta Salmon Fish Cakes and Diced Potato Jacket Potato with choice of filling
<b>Tuesday</b>	Mince and Dumplings with Mashed Potato and Vegetables Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato with choice of filling
<b>Wednesday</b>	Chicken Roast Dinner Mascarpone Pasta Jacket Potato with choice of filling
<b>Thursday</b>	Chicken Curry and Rice Sausage Roll with Diced Potatoes and Beans Jacket Potato with choice of filling
<b>Friday</b>	Pizza with Tortilla Chips and Salad Choice of Sandwich Jacket Potato with choice of filling

# Brookfield Park Weekly Award Winners

Well Done to  
our  
Pupil of The  
Week Winners



Keepers of  
the  
Brookfield  
Park Promise!



Well done to  
Lowry House  
once again. This  
week's house  
point winners  
represented by  
the House  
Captain



Well done to this  
week's super  
star swimmer



Well Done to  
**Beech Class**  
for winning last weeks'  
**Attendance Trophy**  
with 97.33%

**Congratulations  
Lowry House!**

# 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!

