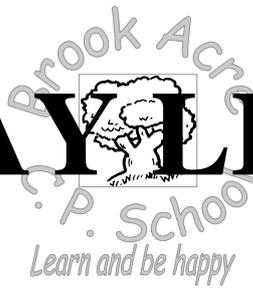


FRIDAY LETTER

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We're Going on a Bear Hunt

On Wednesday this week, Year 1 children went to the Storybarn in Calderstone Park, Liverpool where they spent the morning listening to, acting out and creating art work from lots of traditional tales. After an exciting lunch, they put on their woolly hats and went trudging through the woodland.



"There were some really interesting stories" (Charlie)

"I enjoyed the doggy visits" (Millie)

"I would recommend it to others!" (Lexi W-B)

Well done to all our children in Year 1 who showed politeness and manners and were superb throughout the whole day!



A Night to Remember!

Last week, Year 4 children took part in their Winter Warmer residential. The children were involved in developing their teamwork skills along with experiencing new challenges, which included building a den for the whole class to fit into, going on a night hike through the forest and enjoying a chippy tea under the stars, around a camp fire.



On returning to school, the children enjoyed the camping experience under the school roof.

As always the children showed exceptional teamwork and listening skills and had a thoroughly enjoyable time, full of lots of smiles, laughter and memories to last a lifetime. Thank you to the Active Hope team for organising such a fantastic residential.



Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who have attended our Parents' Evening sessions on Wednesday and Thursday this week. The meetings were exceptionally well attended this year which is fantastic! It is very important that teachers meet with the parents and carers of all children to discuss progress, strengths and targets to ensure that the communication between school and home flows well. If you were unable to make your allocated appointment time, please contact your child's teacher(s) so that this can be rearranged.



Please accept our apologies if your appointment time was delayed at all. Teachers do try hard to keep to the allotted times but unfortunately some sessions can go on longer than expected and others can be affected by sibling meetings running over, resulting in the following appointments being delayed. We are looking into the scheduling of appointments for future Parents' Evenings to ensure quality time can be offered, whilst avoiding excessive delays. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

If you have any problems, queries or concerns following your Parents' Evening session, please contact the school office. Miss Holmes is always keen to meet parents to discuss any issues, in order for us to be able to work together with parents to make the right decisions for each child.

Wise Up Award – GOLD ACHIEVEMENT!



Over the last few years, our school has been working as part of an initiative which aims to celebrate the work that Warrington schools are doing to raise awareness around anti-bullying and the reporting of hate crime. The project is hosted by Warrington Speak Up on behalf of the Warrington Hate Crime Partnership.

We are very proud to announce that our school was, this week, awarded a Gold Award as part of this initiative. This clearly acknowledges the excellent work that is done at Brook Acre around anti-bullying and in raising awareness of hate crime. On Tuesday evening, Mrs Andrews was proud to attend the award ceremony with two school council representatives, Jakub (Y6) and Maisy (Y2), to receive the award. The award was presented by the Mayor of Warrington at the Town Hall – a very special event! Both children did a fantastic job of representing our school and were very excited to meet the Mayor. Well done to everyone on all the great work we do at our school on this very important issue.



WORD OF THE WEEK!

This week's word was: **'Curious'**

(Keen to find something out or something strange or unusual)

'Then something mysterious dropped on my head and I was curious about what it was.'
(Chester Houghton, Y5)

'It's curious when the tricky words just fall off the wall!' (Alan Salam, FS2)

The challenge is set to see how often we can use these words in our talking and in our writing, with the best examples shared in Friday's assembly.

| STARS OF THE WEEK | | | | SEAL THEME | | | |
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| FS1 AM | Nevaeh | FS1 PM | Rose |  "A Chance To Shine" Class Debate | | | |
| FS2 | Kye | Year 1 | Bradley | | | | |
| Year 2 | Charlie | Year 3 | Magdalena | | | | |
| Year 40'B | Candice | Year 4W | Louise | | | | |
| Year 5 | Courtney | Year 6 | Thomas | | | | |
| FS1 AM | Scarlett | FS1 PM | Kyle |  | | | |
| FS2 | Rhylee | Y1 | Dylan | | | | |
| Y2 | Kacey | Y3 | Rhys | | | | |
| Y40'B | Mason | Y4W | Molly | | | | |
| Y5 | Lewis | Y6 | Chloe | | | | |

BEST ATTENDANCE

Year 4W - 98.1% Well Done!

Congratulations also to Jack in FS2 for gaining his Level 7 award in gymnastics!

Congratulations to our Stars, SEAL and Headteacher Award winners, who will all be invited to enjoy their lunch on the Captain's Table.

Special mention to Katie, Year 6, for completing her Purple Passport! Katie is the first every pupil at Brook Acre to achieve this and to showcase her mental maths skills, Katie answered a series of very hard questions in front of a packed audience this morning. Very well done, Katie, you're an absolute star!

Headteacher Award

The Headteacher's Award is given each week to children who have shown impeccable behaviour, outstanding attitudes and admirable learning skills.

This week the Headteacher's Award goes to:

Foundation Stage – Bella (FS1 AM) for independently adding 2 numbers. Bella surprised Mrs Chidzey and Mrs Harrison this week when she wanted to challenged herself during the maths learning. Her developing maths skills will help her to make good progress in this area. Well done Bella!

Key Stage 1 – Maisy (Y2) for being a superb ambassador for Brook Acre. As part of her role as a School Council member, Maisy represented our school on Wednesday at the Wise Up Awards. Maisy is also an excellent learner and is particularly impressing the Year 2 Team with her English learning and desire to exceed targets that have been set for her.

Key Stage 2 – Ruby (Y6) for super progress in spelling. Ruby is applying spelling rules within lessons and editing her work effectively. We are really proud of the decisions Ruby is making in her learning and are excited about what is to come!

Rugby Tournament

On Wednesday this week, some children from Year 3, Year 40'B and Year 4W played in a friendly rugby tournament at Monks Sports Club against other local primary schools. The children all played magnificently, and showed great sportsmanship during their matches. They had a wonderful day and were a credit to our school. Well done to all the children involved, we are very proud of you!

SCHOOL'S OUT!

School Closes today Friday 17 February 2017 at 3:10 pm for the Half Term Holidays

School Re-opens for all children on Monday 27 February at 8:55 am Have a lovely Half Term Break!

FEBRUARY Half-term