

FRIDAY LETTER

Brook Acre CP School

Learn and be happy

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World Book Day



To celebrate World Book Day, the children and staff in school dressed up as a character from their favourite book. We had so many different book character costumes that we could open our own library of living books! The children had so much fun, within their classrooms and around the school, taking part in lots of different activities related to reading.



Thank you for all your support, time and effort that went into producing so many amazing costumes. Everyone looked really fantastic. After a great deal of deliberation, the following children were presented with a book award because of their choice of costume, the reason they gave for why they had chosen to represent their character and how their outfit linked to their choice:

Alicia - FS1 AM, Daisy-May - FS1PM, Libby - FS2, Lexie B - Y1, Lillie-Paige - Y2, Jack - Y3, Mason - Y4OB, Leighton - Y4W, Aimi - Y5, Joshua S - Y6.

Well done to everyone! Don't forget to spend your £1 book voucher – there are special £1 books in the shops to celebrate the day.



In addition to yesterday's festivities, the children visited Padgate Library earlier this week. They all enjoyed listening to stories and choosing books to bring back to school for their Learning Journeys. Foundation Stage 2 children also had a visit to the cake shop after their Library visit and each chose a cup cake!



The children were very well behaved showing us how well they respect our community with their impeccable behaviour outside school. Well done to all our children, you make us feel so proud!

WORD OF THE WEEK!

This week's word was: 'SPONTANEOUS'

(An event that happens without being planned beforehand - definition by Melek, Y4W)

'Lava spontaneously erupted from the enormous volcano.' (Jayson, Y3)

'They spontaneously fight the underworld because they are risk takers.' (Melissa, Y6)

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.

'Jump Rope for Heart'

As part of our work to focus on healthy lifestyles, we are inviting all children to take part in a special 'Jump Rope for Heart' sponsored skipping challenge, raising money for The British Heart Foundation. This challenge will form part of our Health Week in school, during the week beginning 13 March, where the curriculum will link science, PE and Personal, Social and Health Education to plan activities around the topic of healthy living. Please look out for a letter very soon in your child's bag, giving further information. Many thanks for your continued support in all of our fund raising events.





STARS OF THE WEEK



FS1 AM	Elise	★	FS1 PM	Bobby	★
FS2	Emily	★	Year 1	Franciszek	★
Year 2	Billy	★	Year 3	Charlie	★
Year 40'B	Tyler	★	Year 4W	Aiden	★
Year 5	Richard	★	Year 6	Callum	★



SEAL THEME



“Understanding Rules Inside and Outside of School”

FS1 AM	Nathan I	FS1 PM	Stanley
FS2	Fynnley	Y1	Lexie B
Y2	Alfie	Y3	Holly
Y40'B	Jayden	Y4W	Kyle
Y5	Maicie	Y6	Joseph

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



Congratulations also to Isabelle, Libby, Kinzee and Natasa (FS2) who have all been presented with medals and certificates from their Dance Class outside of school.



BEST ATTENDANCE



**FS2 - 99.3 %
Well Done!**



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 – Corey (FS1 AM) for shining with confidence and making excellent contributions during lessons. Corey has also learned how to write his name this week! Well done Corey!

Key Stage 1 – Jacob (Y2) for great progress and improved attitude to learning. Jacob has surpassed the Year 2 team's expectations in all areas of learning and has shown that he is ready for all that Year 2 brings.

Key Stage 2 – Olivia (Y40'B) for her determination and desire to succeed. Olivia has shown this in her attitude towards Reading Plus and by achieving maths awards on her passport. Olivia's social nature was also evident as she enjoyed working and developing relationships with lots of different children during the Year 4 residential.



After School Clubs

Once again we are offering a wide variety of After School Clubs this half term. All the clubs start at 3:15 pm and end at 4:15 pm.



Homework Club*	Monday	FS2/Y1/Y2/Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6
Drama Club	Monday	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6
Origami Club	Monday	Y5/Y6
Booster Club	Tuesday	Y6
Photography Club	Tuesday	Y3/Y4
Dance Club	Thursday	Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6
'High Five' Netball Club	Thursday	Y4/Y5/Y6
Gymnastics Club	Friday	FS2/Y1/Y2
Football Club	Friday	Y4/Y5/Y6
Booster Club	Friday	Y6



* Homework Club takes place every Monday straight after school. Parents are invited to bring along their children to Homework Club to read, practise spellings and number bonds and to complete homework tasks. This is a club which is supported by at least one member of staff who can help with explaining tasks and teaching methods. School resources are also available for the children to use, including access to the internet and any books the children might be using in class. Everybody is welcome.



Drains and Puddles



As you are aware, in times of very heavy rainfall, our school grounds can become very waterlogged due to the drains feeding the brook not being able to cope with the excessive water, resulting in large puddles forming in some areas. When this happens, wooden pallets are used to cover the worst affected areas in order to highlight the puddle and as an alternative to prevent children from starting their day with wet socks and tights. If choosing to use the pallets as a bridge on these days, please take care as there are gaps between the wood and they may become slippery. We have spent a lot of time and money improving our drainage system in the past and you can rest assured that we are continuing to investigate ways of improving the current situation.