



Right Start-Bright Future

Newsletter

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Dear Families

It was great to welcome so many families into school this week. Thank you for committing your time as you really do make the difference in partnership with our school staff. Strong parent partnerships with school are the keys to success for the children. We pride ourselves on the fact that the children do tell and show us that they feel that they 'belong' and that we CARE. We must not forget that four years ago was the start of the Pandemic. This has impacted on the social, emotional and academic development of almost all children in some way. We are working tirelessly here to address the gaps so that children are ready for the next stage of their learning.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%.

F2 = 99.3%, Year 1 = 98%, Year 2 = 99.7%, Year 3 = 93.8%, Year 4 = 94.8%, Year 5 = 98.1%,

Year 6 =94.3%. Overall school attendance = 96.8%. Well done to F2, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 5.

REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS

PTA: Crazy Hair Day – Thursday 28 March: Lets finish the spring term with an extra heap of fun! A day to attend school in your school uniform but with a crazy hairstyle. Looking forward to our Easter Bingo in school on Tuesday, eyes down at 5.00pm

'Magic Moments'

F2 - This week, the children in F2 had a thrilling experience with balance bikes. They not only gained knowledge about bike parts but also acquired essential skills like balance, safe riding within the designated area, and using brakes for secure stops. These lessons were delivered through interactive and enjoyable games, making the learning experience both fun and educational.

Year 1 – This week we were lucky enough to take part in the activity with balance bikes. The children played lots of games and learned how to ride their bikes safely and hopefully without stabilisers. We have extended our number range in maths and are now looking at numbers to 50. In art, we have enjoyed making paper towers as the first step in our sculptures.

Year 2 – This week we have been playing musical instruments and learning how to play melodies. We had already learnt a song and now we can play tuned instruments along with the words. We even went a step further and sang along with the words whilst playing our instruments!



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Year 3 – Year three linked their maths with their art this week by thinking about horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular lines in their paintings inspired by Piet Mondrian. We have also learnt about the similarities and differences between the River Dee and the River Nile through mapping skills.

Year 4 – This week, Year 4 have been working on fractions in maths. We have learnt how to add fractions together, worked with fractions to make whole numbers and identified and partitioned mixed numbers. Our vocabulary in this area has developed strongly throughout the week and confidence has grown massively in this unit of work. We have also been working hard on our times tables so we can use them quickly for different areas of the curriculum. Please can we continue to learn them at home.

Year 5 – This week we have been writing our bargain letter based on the book 'The Promise'. The use of vocabulary and persuasive writing has really shone through and it's all down to the effort the children have put in this half term. We will be sending home the published piece of writing next week. We have also enjoyed our science lessons this week - exploring the human life cycle and creating power-point presentations to share with the class.

Year 6 – This week, Year 6 have engaged in some very thoughtful reflections and considerations about the afterlife and different religious and non-religious views on life after death as part of our Easter based RE work. The class looked at multiple viewpoints, including Christianity, Islam, Sikhism, Buddhism, Hinduism and Humanism. Year 6 were able to explore the major similarities and differences between these different perspectives. We also used a survey tool to view what other primary school aged children around the country thought about life after death so that we could really see just how diverse opinions on this topic are.

Eco News: Last weekend the first of our Big Brookhurst Spring Clean team borrowed our litter pick packs and have been out looking after our local area. As a school we have pledged to collect 20 bin bags full of rubbish. The first four children have collected an amazing **7 and half bags of rubbish** already!

Also, this week our F2 and Year 1 children have worked with Bike-Right and learnt how to use balance bikes. The children have really enjoyed learning how to use balance bikes, now would be a great time to remove the stabilisers on bikes at home. As the weather continues to improve, hopefully more children will walk, bike and scoot to school.

We are also still collecting batteries to be recycled for the Big Battery Hunt. Did you know that over 600 million batteries are thrown away each year, which is 20,000 tonnes of batteries going to landfill each year? It takes a battery over 100 years to decompose. Please continue to ask friends and family members for any batteries that they have so we can recycle them and reduce waste going to landfill. Our current total is **3895 batteries** recycled, and we are currently 19th on the leader board. Please remember to count and label them before bringing them into school. If you take any batteries to other recycling places, please let us know how many and we can add them to our total. Thank you, Miss Ramejkis.

At the end of the school day: Please can I remind you that once the children are dismissed, that you do not let them play on the outdoor play equipment or the willow structures. Your co-operation is appreciated.

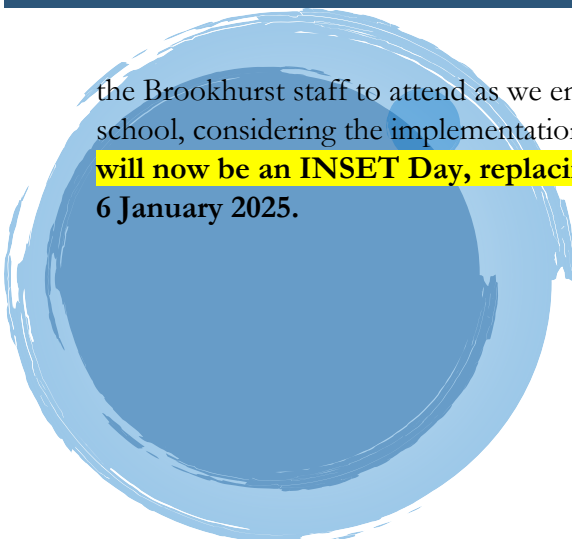
Kind regards

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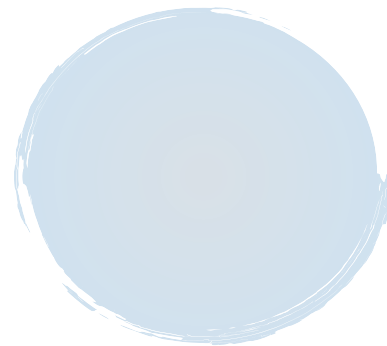
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AND FINALLY..... A change of date for the academic year 2024-25. We have this week found out that there in a National IT Conference in Liverpool on 15 October 2024. This will be an excellent opportunity for





the Brookhurst staff to attend as we embark on the next stage of development in being a more IT focused school, considering the implementation of further technologies and equipment. Therefore the **15 October 2024 will now be an INSET Day, replacing the 6 January 2025.** School will start after the Christmas Break on 6 January 2025.



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