



# BROOKE HILL ACADEMY NEWS

## A SNAPSHOT OF OUR WEEK.

It has been an incredibly busy week this week in school with so much to note and celebrate.

Pre school have now started their weekly Forest School sessions up in the Woodland Trust. They came back coated head to toe in mud but were full of the fun they had had and are looking forward to returning next week.

Many thanks to all the families who attended the Year 3 / 4 assembly on Wednesday. What a wonderful showcase of learning and enrichment. The children's performance was polished, high quality and and the range of learning was phenomenal.

Monday's assembly was delivered by Super Scientists who are going to be offering an after school club next term. This is already fully booked so we have asked them to come in again in September should the interest remain.

Year 6 had an interesting afternoon yesterday having attended an author event, I am looking forward to reading the writing outcomes.

We have had considerable sporting success again this week ranging from dodgeball to football. Many thanks to all who gave up their time to support.

We are busy planning out Easter Tea again this year. This is planned for Wednesday 27th March at 2:30. Children are invited to decorate a bonnet for a parade and will be sharing some highlights of the year so far. We hope to welcome as many families as possible.

Have a lovely weekend all.

Mrs O'Shaughnessy

### Next Week

MON - KS2 FDS club, Only Art club and KS2 Textiles club on today.

TUES - 9.10am Oak parents to meet Mrs Skelton. 2.30pm - Y2, Y5, Y6 Recorder & Clarinet Concert. No teacher led clubs. Parents' evening

WEDS - . KS1 FDS club, Parents' evening

THURS - Open the Book Assembly, Rowan class Booknic, No teacher led clubs.

Fri -

Please note that school led after school clubs will finish at 4.30pm in term 4  
Please let the teacher know if your child is unable to attend a club they have signed up for.



## HOUSE POINT TOTALS FOR THIS WEEK

Stocks

992

Castles

985

Horseshoes

939

Acorns

873



## Parents' Meetings For School Trips

Year 5 Kingswood Residential parents' meeting will be held on Monday 25th March 3.30-4pm

Year 6 London Trip parents' meeting will be held on Thursday 18th April 3.30-4pm.

All information will also be sent out to parents who are unable to attend



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO EVERYONE WHO HAS HAD A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK.

*Charlie, Ocean, Ela and Sophie*

## **Celebration of the Military**

April is the month to celebrate the children whose parents are in the military. We intend to invite military children to wear purple on the 26th April. We would also like to host an assembly that week for anyone with a military background to come and host share what the job entails. If anyone has any contacts or can support, please can you let school know.

## **Pre-School Parents' Evenings**

We will be holding our Pre-School parents' evenings on Tuesday 19th March from 3.40-6.10pm and Wednesday 20th March from 3.40-5.30pm. If you would like to book a 10 minute appointment please speak to a member of the Pre-School staff.

## **Reminder - KS2 (Years 3-6)** **School Dinners**

Please remember to book any dinners required. All dinners must be booked and paid for, on ParentPay, in advance.



## **Phones**



If your child brings a phone to school please remind them that they must put it on their teacher's desk, first thing in the morning.

## **Raffle Tickets**

We will be selling raffle tickets, for a raffle to be drawn at the Easter Tea, on the playground, before and after school next week.



# PRIDE OF BROOKE HILL AWARD

Blossom Class - Nelly

Apple Class - Thomas

Willow Class - Amber

Maple Class - Jasmine

Acer Class - Matthew

Chestnut Class - Harper

Rowan Class - Hugo

Redwood Class - Jennifer

Elder Class - Harry

Hazel Class - Ashton

Oak Class - Skyla

## Attendance Awards

Rec/KS1- Apple  
KS2 - Rowan

**Whole school attendance 95.64 %**

Attendance is something we celebrate each week in our Celebration Assembly on a Friday.

We are required to collate and update the attendance figures for the local authority each week.

Going forward we will be monitoring attendance closely to ensure that we are hitting the targets given to the school by the DFE.

Please note that going forward all term-time holidays of over 5 days will be referred to the local authority as standard.



# WELL DONE

# Parents' Evenings - Reception to Year 6 - now includes Oak Class

We are holding our Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 19th March and Wednesday 20th March from 15:45 to 18:15.

Bookings are to be made through ParentMail. These will be available to book from 18.00 onwards on Sunday 3rd March and close 3 days prior to the first session.

Please look out for the ParentMail notification. If you cannot find a timeslot to suit you please contact your child's class teacher to make an alternative arrangement.

## *You are invited to Brooke Hill Academy BookNics*

**To celebrate our love of books and reading at Brooke Hill Academy, we invite all parents to our indoor BookNics, Reading Picnics to enjoy with your child or children!**

**Research shows that social reading environments matter, so holding a Booknic is a perfect chance to read, relax, enjoy a drink and biscuit and discuss books together, to build reading memories and offer support for reading at home.**



**BookNics are held from 3pm to 3.30pm in the school hall.**

**Next week will be:**

**Rowan Class- Year 3/4 (Mrs Bradford): Thursday 21st March**



## This week in KS1...

It has been another busy week in KS1, and we have been continuing to look at the weather in Geography. The year 1 children have been keeping a weather chart so here's hoping we can record some sunny weather soon!

The children have really enjoyed looking at Georgia O'Keeffe in ART. They have sketched and used pastels to create their own flower drawings.

Thank you to all those that joined us for Maple/Acer class Booknic. It was lovely to see so many children enjoying reading books (and the biscuits were a treat).



## This week in Preschool...

We took a trip up to the woods. The children were so excited to go on a woodland adventure and were brilliant at spotting the signs of spring. We saw buds on the trees, leaves, heard lots of birds and got VERY muddy! We're looking forward to going up for another adventure again soon!



## YEAR 2 AND YEAR 5/6 PARENTS EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT:

### **MUSIC CONCERT TUESDAY 19TH MARCH AT 2:30PM IN THE HALL AT SCHOOL!**

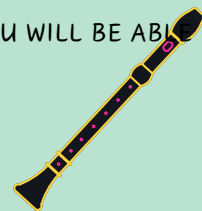
AS YOU ARE ALREADY AWARE, YOUR CHILD IS CURRENTLY PART OF AN AMAZING PROJECT ORGANISED THROUGH THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MUSIC AND PERFORMING ARTS TRUST (NMPAT). THIS 10 WEEK PROJECT PROVIDES THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN TO LEARN AN INSTRUMENT FREE OF CHARGE AT SCHOOL.

YEAR 2 CHILDREN ARE CURRENTLY LEARNING THE RECORDER AND YEAR 5/6 CHILDREN ARE LEARNING THE CLARINET. THEY ARE BEING TAUGHT BY PROFESSIONAL CLARINETTIST GARETH HUMPHREYS, WHO IS PART OF THE NMPAT TEAM.

THE CULMINATION OF THE PROJECT WILL BE A SHORT CONCERT WHERE THE CHILDREN WILL SHOWCASE THEIR LEARNING. THE CONCERT WILL LAST APPROXIMATELY 35-40 MINUTES AND WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE SCHOOL HALL ON TUESDAY MARCH 19TH. IT WILL START AT 2:30PM. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE YOUR CHILD HOME AFTERWARDS.

PERFORMANCE IS A VITAL PART OF LEARNING AN INSTRUMENT SO WE HOPE THAT LOTS OF YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THIS EVENT BY BEING PART OF THE AUDIENCE!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE.



## **Girls Biggest EVER Football Session**

Thank you to all the girls who came out on what was a very cold Friday evening to join the Girls football session at UCC.

It was lovely to see so many of them taking part in the football session, having fun with each other and enjoying the game. We had such a great time and I hope this inspires more girls to get involved with football and other sports. Well done girls - you were awesome!

#LetGirlsPlay



### **Year 5/6 Dodgeball**

Last week the year 5/6 dodgeball teams competed in a tournament. They showed excellent teamwork and fairness during all games which was lovely to see! We came 6th and 7th out of 13 teams so overall great work!



# Brooke Hill Holiday Club

The children who attended our holiday club last month were kept very busy. They made a cardboard box fort/den, played indoor ball games, painted, crafted and made sculptures from tinfoil and masking tape to name but a few things. A lot of fun was had by all.





# Year 3 / 4

Well, what a week it's been for Year 3/4 .

We had our Year group assembly on Wednesday, which was so lovely to see so many parents in attendance, (Standing room only) and didn't the children do so well? They spoke confidently, performed with energy and purpose, and were a real credit to themselves, you as parents and the school. We really hope you enjoyed it as much as they did.

We've also had the Year 3/4 dodgeball teams in action at Uppingham. Both teams played extremely well, showing all of the values like honesty, fair play and fun throughout their games. Brooke Hill Blue finished 9th overall and Brooke Hill Red finished in 3rd place, only being beaten by the eventual winners. Well done to all of the players involved. It was a pleasure to take you to represent the school.





# Year 5/6



Year 6 had an exciting opportunity on Thursday to meet the best-selling author, Phil Earle. They were invited to the event at Oakham School on Thursday, where they had an opportunity to listen to him read an extract from his new book. There was also a question and answer session and finally an opportunity to buy a signed copy of his book. The children were amazed by the fact that he didn't like reading or writing when he was younger!

Meanwhile... back at school, Year 5 were busy practising for the clarinet concert to be held next week. Year 5 and 6 are looking forward to showing off their newly acquired musical skills.

Please feel free to join us at 2.30 pm on Tuesday.