



BROOKE HILL ACADEMY NEWS

A SNAPSHOT OF OUR WEEK.

Happy Easter to all of our families, I hope that All of our families get to enjoy some family time together over the next two weeks. Although this has been the shortest term, it has also felt like the longest with our visit from Ofsted! We are really looking forward to getting the report and sharing with you next term when we are able to do so.

This has been a very busy week with Easter Tea and Spotlight. Easter Tea is one of my favourite events in school as it showcases such an array of talents. Our Easter bonnets were fabulous this year, many thanks to everyone who supported the making of them. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank the parents for supporting the PFA with raffle ticket sales and the charity support for the Upper KS2 initiative. The raffle was drawn in assembly this morning. We are very lucky to have such a dedicated and proactive PFA who support our school and children in so many ways. Many thanks for all your hard work.

The Spotlight dance team performed in Stamford this week. Spotlight is always a highlight in Year 6 and their dance was fantastic - many thanks to Mrs Jones and Miss Taylor for choregraphing and giving up their evenings to support this event.

This morning, we handed out the Year 6 hoodies and they look lovely and it is always an exciting time as children approach their end with primary school and start to get excited for their transition for secondary school. I have to say, they look very grown up.

The works are now being completed at a pace. The plaster is off the walls and the drying works are starting on Thursday. We can then start to redecorate and furnish the classrooms which is exciting!

We are really looking forward to a next term and our first week back sees our replanned Parents' Evenings, in the meantime, have a wonderful Easter.

Mrs O'Shaughnessy

W/C 15th April

MON - KS2 FDS club

TUES - Maths booster (invite only).Parents' Evenings

WEDS - KS1 FDS club, Elder Class Booknic 3pm, Parents' Evenings

THURS -Open the Book Assembly, Parents meeting for Y6 London Trip - 3.30pm

FRIDAY

Please note that school led after school clubs (except booster sessions) start on w/c 22nd April and will finish at 4.30pm in term 5

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

1080

Castles

1036

Horseshoes

1046

Acorns

976

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.

Easter Tea - thank yous

Please could we say a big thank you to Tesco Oakham and Co-Op for donating Easter raffle prizes.

Thanks too, to the PFA team who have also personally donated prizes.



Many thanks!



Wanted!

If anyone has a treasure chest at home that is no longer needed we would love to have it to use in school!

Parents' Evenings - Reception to Y6 & Pre-School

Our Parents' Evenings have been re-arranged and will now take place on **Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th April.**

Bookings for Reception to Year 6 children to be made via ParentMail - the booking system will open at 7pm this evening, Friday 22nd March.

Bookings for Pre-School children should be made with the Pre-School staff.

Reminder - KS2 (Years 3-6)

School Dinners

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



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

Zoya, Joshua, Ruby and Jake

Spotlight Dance

The 20th year of Spotlight Dance Festival was a huge success on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings this week. Spotlight is the opportunity for dancers of all ages to showcase their talent. 25 year 6's represented Brooke Hill, dancing to Boney M's 'Daddy Cool' and we are so proud of them for embracing the experience with such passion! Huge thanks to Miss Taylor for all your help, including on both evenings and with your sewing machine! Lots of fabulous memories made for all involved! Mrs Jones



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.

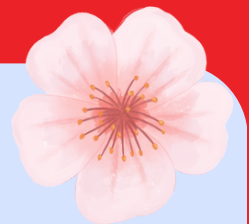


Head lice have been detected in school. Anyone can get head lice... mainly through direct head-to-head contact but also from sharing hats, brushes and other personal items.

Head lice are a problem in many communities and do not reflect poor hygiene or social status. Please do your part to prevent the spread of this communicable condition by checking your child(ren) daily for the next few weeks, and on a regular basis thereafter. Lice infestation is much easier to treat if caught early. If you should discover a case of head lice, please notify your child's school and parents of your child's playmates. This is the best way to protect your family and community.

For more information please visit www.headlice.org.

Thank you.



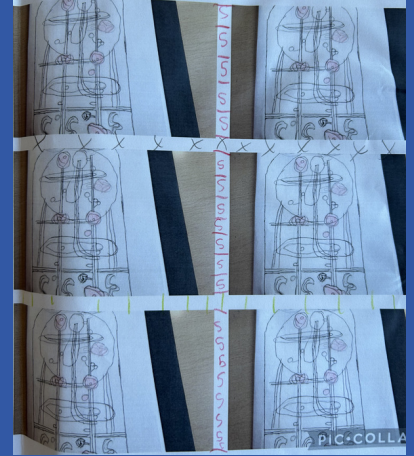
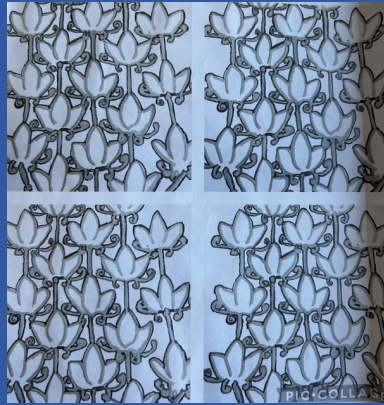
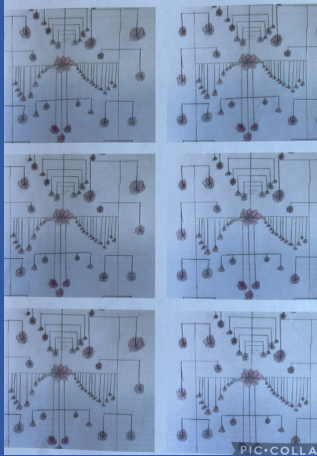
This week in Blossom Class...

we've been thinking all about Easter. The children have decorated Easter Eggs, explored eggs in the water tray and using magnets and have been practising their songs for the Easter Tea. The children made us so proud on Wednesday when they performed at the Easter Tea and they were so excited to perform and were super confident. Well done Blossom Class!



YEAR 3 / 4

THIS WEEK IN YEAR 3 AND 4 WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT REPEATED PATTERNS WITHIN ART WORK, INSPIRE BY CHARLES RENEE MACHINTOSH. WE CREATED AN IMAGE. PHOTOGRAPHED IT, AND THEN USED TECHNOLOGY TO HELP US REPEAT IT. I THINK YOU'LL AGREE, THE RESULTS LOOK STUNNING



Year 5/6

Wow what a busy week Year 5/6 have had! Hazel Class learnt and performed 'Please Mrs Butler' a poem by Allan Ahlberg at the Easter Assembly and all of Year 5/6 sang the Matilda Medley which resulted in lots of smiles and a few emotional tears from the audience when they sang 'When I grow up'.

This week many of the children also put on their dancing shoes as they performed in the Spotlight Dance Show in Stamford. They performed with enthusiasm and courage and were wonderful ambassadors for our school! A huge thank you to Mrs Jones for choreographing and teaching the dance routine and to all of the staff who attended the evening performances.



SATS BOOSTERS

SATS Booster Interventions

A letter went out this week inviting all of our Year 6 children to the SATS Booster breakfast. Our Year 6 SATS booster breakfast sessions will start on the morning of the 13.5.24 and will run from 8.15 to 8.45 for all Year 6 children for the four days. The sessions will be held in Hazel class and breakfast will be provided to all Year 6's who attend. Previous SATS breakfast booster sessions have proven to build confidence and recall so we feel they will be extremely beneficial to all children.

For the four weeks running up to SATS Miss Jackson, Mrs Mitchell and Mr Walden will be running further optional boosters after school to support the children with their test technique and consolidate the learning that has taken place in school. The Maths Booster will run on Tuesdays from 3.30-4.30 and the Reading Booster on Thursdays from 3.30-4.30. A sign up sheet has been sent out to all of our Year 6 parents.

The tests will be administered on the following dates:

- Monday 13th May 2024 - Spelling, punctuation and grammar (45 minutes).
- Monday 13th May 2024 - Spellings (20 minutes approx.)
- Tuesday 14th May 2024 - Reading (60 minutes)
- Wednesday 15th May 2024 - Maths paper 1 - Arithmetic (30 minutes)
- Wednesday 15th May 2024 - Maths paper 2 - Reasoning (40 minutes)
- Thursday 16th May 2024 - Maths paper 3 - Reasoning (40 minutes)

Year 1 and 2

The children have been busy exploring the signs of Spring to help us write a Spring poem. We went on a Spring walk to see the daffodils and had a lovely time. In Science, we investigated forces and experimented by pushing cars over different surfaces. We are all looking forward to learning new things next term!



YEAR 6 LEAVERS' HOODIES



TODAY YEAR 6 WERE PRESENTED WITH THEIR LEAVERS' HOODIES. THE CHILDREN WERE ALL VERY EXCITED TO REACH SUCH A PIVOTAL POINT OF THEIR PRIMARY EDUCATION AND THEY LOOK VERY SMART TOO! YEAR 6 ARE ALLOWED TO WEAR THE HOODIES AS PART OF THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM AFTER EASTER AND ONWARDS.