



Whittonstall and Broomley First Schools
Weekly Newsletter
10th June 2022



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Our overall attendance this week was

95.6%



Keep up the good work everyone!

HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE:

I would like to welcome you all back to school after the half term break. I very much hope you all enjoyed the long bank holiday and the Jubilee celebrations over the weekend. We have an exciting and very busy half term ahead with lots of summer fun and events for children and families. Please do keep up to date with the newsletter each week as this will have the latest information for you.

As the warm weather approaches can we please ask that all children have a hat in school that they can wear outside. We would also ask that, if the weather requires it, you sunscreen to your child before they come into school. Children can then keep a named bottle of sunscreen in their school bag which they can use to top up if required.

I would like to say a huge thank you to those who took the time to answer our parent survey. We will be looking into our forms of communication with parents as an action point from the responses. Also we will be reviewing our homework policy and systems and procedures for next academic year. We really do appreciate all the kind comments which I have passed on to staff.

The children looked amazing today at Broomley for our PTA Break the Rules Day, I have never seen so many brilliant hair styles and colours - they looked fantastic. Thank you to our PTA for organising this for us.

We do expect all the children to wear uniform to school so please can you make sure they do so each day and that items are labelled with their name. The children can wear their PE kit to school on PE days and all clothing for PE must be plain with no writing or logos. Please also make sure they are wearing appropriate

footwear. We are hoping to run a second hand uniform stall this term - and are asking for donations of good condition second hand items. See below for more information on how to donate and how the stall will run.

AWARDS OF THE WEEK:

Kid Awesome - Stars of the Week:

Reception

- Zoe T star of the week for brilliant knot tying skills

Year 1

- Jacob L for his fantastic creative writing in English

Year 2

- Jasmine W for her excellent newspaper report

Year 3

- Zachary S for impressing Mr Moore with his thoughtful comments during guided reading

Year 4

- Lewis W for excellent effort and descriptive writing in English.

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Headteacher's Awards:

- Louie M (Y2) for excellent news report writing!
- Dylan E (Y2) for super participation in PE
- Ruben B(Y2) for being such a polite and happy member of our school community
- Indie T (Y2) for a super achievement at gymnastics



We would also like to say a big well done to the following children who won prizes at the County Show last week for their Jubilee Wellies:

- Hugo J won First Prize
- Austin B won second prize
- Theo L won third Prize



SCHOOL UPDATES



SECOND HAND UNIFORM:

As part of our push to be sustainable and with the cost of living increasing on a daily basis, we would like to have a second hand uniform sale in school.

Our plan is to keep this as simple as possible - uniform would be sorted into boxes - one for each age group. The boxes would then be made available for parents to come and look through at drop off and pick up times. If parents would like to make a donation for any items, we would probably suggest £1 per item but this would be at the discretion of the parent. Any money raised would go to our School Council's sustainability fund. Unfortunately, staff will not be able to deal with individual requests for items.

We would therefore like to ask for your help to provide donations of any good quality second hand uniform that you have no further use for. Donations can be brought into school / dropped off at the school office from Monday 13th June and hopefully we can get the stall up and running by the end of next week.



BOOK REVIEW CORNER:

Poppy would like to recommend the book 'Little People, Big Dreams - Queen Elizabeth'. Poppy really enjoys this series of books, about famous people in history. We bought this book last week and have been reading it to find out more about the Queen. Poppy thinks that her school friends would like this book too as they've also been celebrating the Platinum Jubilee. Poppy's favourite part of the book is when we find out that the Queen has had 30 corgi dogs and that their food is specially prepared for them in the palace kitchens.

Thanks Poppy - that looks like a really good book and we are sure your friends will love it too.

BROOMLEY PTA - DIARY OF EVENTS:

Our PTA do some fantastic things throughout the year to help raise funds for our school and they are very busy this term again as you can see from the calendar of events below. There will be more information coming out soon regarding the raffle so watch this space.

BROOMLEY PTA EVENTS SUMMER 22

We would firstly like to thank all parents and helpers for your continued support.

Here are the events for the rest of the academic year:

Summer Break The Rules Day - 10th June 2022

Details provided via ParentMail.

Summer/Leavers' disco - 15th July 2022

Come and give the Year 4s a good old Broomley send off with stalls, face painting and some Yr 4 VIP treats! Entrance 50p, details to follow.

Summer Raffle

Tickets to be sent home in advance and winners drawn at the disco.

The Rainbow Orchard

We are busy working on our forest school area and Rainbow Orchard with Miss Richardson. Soon the children can start enjoying the natural space and get planting!

Look out for updates and how you can get involved in the BFS Newsletter!

Christmas art /merchandise

We will be running this again after merchandise proved popular in previous years!

Broomley First School Parent Teacher Association
Barclays bank, Ac: 40396540, Sort code: 20-40-09

HOW DOES THE MONEY GO BACK INTO SCHOOL?

Recently, money raised through the PTA has helped our school through:

- Reading verandas
- Playtime toys for the yard
- Christmas Fair
- Year 4 Residential bus

WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO HELP

We would like to fund some new books for school and hope to sign up to the SLS (School Library Service) program to provide topic based books for use in their creative curriculum. This project allows books to be rotated regularly in line with topics being studied and costs £11 per child. More details can be found at:

www.northumberland.gov.uk/Education/Professionals/Schools-Library-Service.aspx

The fundraising events here on the left aim to raise the funds for the last instalment of this project to ensure each child has new resources next year. If you would like to provide a separate donation for this direct to the PTA bank account, details are below (please give "SLS" as reference).

COME JOIN US!

We love to have new members join us so if you could spare some time, no matter how small, please email. We rely on volunteers for these events to run and if you fancy more of an official role, we also have positions available.

Thanks!

Broomley First School Parent Teacher Association.

Email: broomley.school.pta@gmail.com



BREAK THE RULES DAY:

Top of the events run by the PTA this term is Break the Rules day. The children love taking part in this fun day and really go to town breaking the rules on hair colours and styles and whacky outfits. They all looked amazing - here are just a few pictures from the day. A big thank you to the PTA for organising the goody bags which were sent home with the children at the end of the day.



BIKEABILITY - YEAR 3:

Year 3 had a busy day on Friday - as well as Break the Rules day, they also had a visit from Bikeability. Luckily the sun was shining and they all had a great time learning and practising new skills on their bikes.



THINGS TO DO:



Join us on our

OPEN DAY!



SATURDAY 11TH JUNE 2022

WWW.DRSC.CO.UK

Online Booking for sailing, Paddleboarding & wind surfing.

Join us and enjoy a range of activities at our friendly club to see what membership at our club can mean for you and your family. Try sailing, paddle-boarding, windsurfing and boat trips for free on our open day **Saturday 11th June 11am - 4pm**, and start creating your special family memories.

Derwent Reservoir Sailing Club

DIARY DATES

- Monday 13th June Molly's Dance Club - additional session
- Tuesday 14th June Year 3 trip to Vindolanda
- Wednesday 15th June Additional cricket session for all year groups - please wear PE kit
- Tuesday 21st June New Reception Starter Picnic 3.30pm to 5.00pm
- Wed 22nd - Fri 24th June Y4 Residential Trip to Ford Castle
- W/c 27th June Healthy Choices Week
- Tuesday 28th June Y4 Ovingham Middle School Orientation Day
- Monday 4th July Transition Day - children visit their new classrooms and meet their new teachers
- Thursday 7th July Sports' Day - 9.30am - 11.30am
- Tuesday 12th July Corbridge Middle School Transition Day - more info will be provided to relevant pupils
- Thursday 14th July Y4 Leavers' Lunch and Leavers' Assembly (2pm)
- Friday 15th July PTA End of Year Leavers' Disco
- Thursday 21 July School Closes for Summer holidays
- Friday 22nd July Additional holiday for Queen's Platinum Jubilee
- Wednesday 31st August Reception New Starters Extra Transition Session 9.30 - 11.30am
- Tuesday 6th September School Reopens for new school year

On behalf of staff and governors may I wish you all a lovely weekend, take care.

Mrs Barker

Executive Head Teacher