BROCKS HILL NEWSLETTER



Message from the Head of School,

Welcome to our April newsletter slightly before the start of April! We hope this newsletter will update you with news of past events and also alert you to things coming up.

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your efforts to ensuring that children arrive at school on time. Being on time means your child does not miss valuable learning at the start of the day as well as giving them time to connect with their peers before they settle to work. It also teaches your child a valuable lesson that being on time is important.

Please note children should be at there classroom doors ready to enter school at 8.50am. Registers are taken immediately and are closed at 8.55am this is to ensure all children are safely accounted for.

I would also like to pass my congratulations on to all the children who represented our school in the many sports competitions we have had the privilege of attending this month. They have shown themselves to be real ambassadors for the school as well as showing excellent sports skills. Of course, this sporting excellent excellence doesn't just happen and it is only right to thank Miss Patel, Mr Hurst and Mr Moore along with all the other staff who have accompanied the children to the various competitions. Thanks also to parents and carers who ensured all children were at the right place at the right time!

Some children in KS2 children have also had the opportunity to perform in De Montfort hall for a choral Spectacular on Wednesday 29th March. Again, our children were a joy to watch and I know they have worked so hard to learn all the songs in the build up to the event. Well done to all of them and to Miss Read who coordinated and led the whole event.

Your children have worked so hard this term- thank you for all your support. We know that parental involvement plays a huge part in pupil's success. I hope that you manage to have a well-deserved rest and that those celebrating Easter and Vaisakhi have joyous celebrations.



PARENT SURVEY

In January Lionheart sent out a parent survey to all parents in our school. We were really pleased to receive overwhelmingly positive feedback. I hope this graphic summarises some of the things that were highlighted as things you liked most.

We also looked at things you said we could improve. This is what we have done far.



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You said	Our response
You felt the condition of the buildings needed updating	We are having a new school! This will happen within the next 5 years.
You would like to know more information regarding how your child is doing in school.	Parents will receive termly data snapshots informing them of how their child is doing Open classrooms are planned for each term Behaviour data is available on Beehive
You would like more notice of important dates	Important dates will be included in monthly newsletters. Important Dates are now available on our school website.

KEY DATES FOR SUMMER TERM

Key dates Summer term

April		
17th	School Opens	
18 th	Parent event	
	Supporting your child's learning at home	
May		
1st May	Early May Bank holiday	
5 th May	Coronation celebrations- Right Royal Dress up!	
8 th May	Bank holiday for Coronation of King Charles III	
w/c 8 th May	KS2 SATs (y6)	
w/c 8 th May	Phonics screening check	
w/c 15 th	KS1 SATs (Y2)	
29 th -2 nd June	Half term	
June		
5 th -16 th June	Y4 Times Tables Check	
7 th June	Open classrooms 3.20-4.00pm. Parents are invited to look at their	
	child's books during this time.	
8 th	Induction evening for new starters 5pm	
w/c 12 th	Yr1 Phonics Screening check	
14 th /15 th	Sports Day (Wed 14th am: KS1 and FS, Thursday 15th : year 3 and 4 in	
	the morning, Year 5 and 6 <u>afternoon</u> .	
20th	Class 4 assembly	
24 th	Brocks Hill Summer Fair	
26 th	Lionheart Speaks competition evening Y5 only. More details to follow.	
July		
4 th	Culture Day – children are invited to wear clothes that reflect their	
	ethnicity on this day.	
7th	Lionheart Pride Day (UKS2)	
7th (FS and	Maths Day – fun with numbers!	
KS1), 8 th (KS2)		
10 th	Transition morning – children visit new classes	
13 th	Y6 leavers assembly	

More details of specific events to follow.

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Comic Relief



Well done to all staff and children at

Brocks Hill who came in to school dressed their 'Happy Outfits'. Staff carried out a cycling marathon throughout the day!

£228.53 was raised in cash and lots more was pledged online.



100% attendance

This term 163 Children received a badge for 100% attendance this term. Very well done to all of them!

Birthdays

We know that birthdays are really special days for young children and we always like to wish children a happy Birthday in their classes. Please do not send food items into school to be given out on your child's birthday. This is due to medical needs in our school community.

Family News

We would like to send our congratulations and best wishes to Miss Read who is getting married over the Easter break. When she returns she will be known as Mrs. Cave.

Term Time Holidays

Please be reminded that all requests for term time holidays will be unauthorised and may result in a fine being issued. There are 190 days in a school year, leaving 175 non-school days for family holidays and routine appointments.

SPORTS ROUNDUP



Hockey year 3 and 4 teams

Excellent hockey was seen by our Year 3 &4 team at Beauchamp this week. Fantastic teamwork, determination and skill was seen by all!

GOVERNORS

About the Governors

We are as a governing body supportive of the school staff and at Brocks Hill we have a splendid team of caring professionals with excellent academic expectations however in line with our first objective to ensure clarity of vision and ethos and our second to hold leaders to account we are given/ask for reports on a rotation of subjects. We then ensure through questioning that we fully understand the academic purpose and standards achieved. Our main opportunity to do this is at the Local Governing Body meetings held at least four times a year and more if necessary. The meetings have a standard agenda but issues of concern are added as necessary.

We begin with the Opening admin then an Operations Update – Finance/Estates etc. An item from the Risk Register is then discussed in detail. We then hear about the Contextual KPI's - Attendance ect. Next are the Academic KPI's - Expectations/Subject focus/Year group focus. A Subject will then be looked at in detail with a staff presentation. The School Development Plan is then discussed with progress updates from the Head of School. A Big Question - an item of concern or merit is then presented to us by a SLT member. Next are the Governance items such as Monitoring Visits/Training/Roles and Responsibilities of each governor. The Closing Business is 3 Celebrations/3 Challenges/Lionheart Trustee referrals to the Board. The meetings last for approximately two and a half hours - we challenge and question throughout but also express delight and praise where appropriate.

Diane Miller Chair of Governors



