Newsletter

Monday 17th June 2024

Upcoming events this week:

- Wear something yellow - Friday
- Second Transition session
- Saplings Class Assembly – Thursday, 9am, hall. Please come along!
- Year R and 1 – Forest offsite on Thursday (morning only, after class assembly)
- Year 2 and 3 – Forest offsite on Friday (morning only)
- Music Concert – Friday, 3.15pm, hall. All welcome.

Wear Yellow Day!

On **Friday** we invite the children to wear something yellow to raise awareness for Cystic Fibrosis. This can be just one thing yellow, or a whole yellow outfit! There is no donation necessary as this is about awareness, not fundraising.

Cystic Fibrosis is something very important to the staff at Brook as Miss River's niece has the condition.

Miss Rivers will lead a special assembly on Friday about it.

Grasshoppers' own clothes and MO attendance

Grasshoppers won the House Points for Term 5 and will have an optional own clothes day on Friday 5th July.

Mighty Oaks were the best attending class and will receive a treat from Mr Stanley at some point this term.

Summer Holiday events: Picnics and Summer Bash

Over the summer holiday, we will host two picnics on the field. Last year this was a great success and enabled families and children to 'reconnect' with school over the long break. This year we will host two of these!
Come along with a picnic and spend time on the field.
Friday 16th August – 12-3pm
Tuesday 27th August – 12-3pm

On **Saturday 17th August at 1pm,** one of our parents is hosting a 'Brook Summer Bash.' It will be a day full of fun with stalls, bouncy castle, face painting, mini gun dog show, ride ons, and ice cream. It is being held at Brook Village Hall.

REMINDER and UPDATE: Sports Day, picnic and Summer Fair - Friday 28th June

This special day is fast approaching so we would like to share the arrangements:

- We are pleased to confirm the farmer has kindly allowed us to use the field next door for parking for the day! Please be aware we cannot accept liability for parking here and it may be muddy, depending on the weather over the next couple of weeks.
- Parents and carers are welcome to be in school for the whole day.
- Parents and Carers will be allowed on site from **9.00am.**
- Sports Day will begin on the field at 9.30am. Arrival after this time will be via the office.
- This year, as Sports Day will then flow into a picnic, please bring picnic blankets etc to sit on for Sports Day. We will not put benches out but can provide a chair should you require one.
- Parents and carers will be seated on the right side of the field (next to the sheep field) and along the back by forest school.
- At the end of Sports Day, children will return to class to get ready for lunch and then will come out to the field to join parents and carers for a picnic (**midday**). If you are unable to come, there will be class groups eating together too.
- School dinners will be available in the usual way - Mrs Jenner is cooking hotdogs and chips which can be given in bags to be eaten outside!
- Children will still have their play on the playground once they have eaten while the fair is set up. Parents and carers can remain in the picnic area during this time.
- Refreshments for parents will be available to purchase throughout the morning and lunchtime.
- At 1.00pm, children will return to class to be registered.
- After this (at around **1.15pm**) children will be dismissed in the usual way from classroom doors to parents and carers who are on site. This means that children will then be with their parent or carer for the fair and families can then leave the fair/school whenever it suits
- For parents and carers who are unable to attend, children will be grouped with staff and still be able to enjoy the fair.
- The fair will begin with a short performance and then will be opened!
- The fair will have a mix of free activities and games with a small charge so please bring cash – most activities will be 50p
- Currently confirmed stalls at the fair are: Bouncy Castle, Rave Room, Refreshments and Cakes, Stocks (soak Mr Stanley!), Beat the goalie, Tombolas, Games, Balloons, Treats, Ponycycles.

Summer Fair – continued

Help required:

If you can **donate cakes** for the refreshment stall, these would be welcome too.

If you would like to **promote your own business** at the fair, please contact us. The cost is £10 for a stall.

One of our stalls is a **Jolly Jar tombola** so we are collecting these.

How to make Jolly Jars:

- Fill a clean jam jar or two with goodies for our Jolly Jars tombola. These items don't have to be brand new, just clean and in good condition. Ideas for the contents of your jar: wrapped sweets, small toys, hair accessories, stationery, kids' jewellery, small tubes of bubbles, craft items, balloons.
- Add a ribbon, some stickers, or use glass paint to make them look jolly!

There are a few rules when making Jolly Jars:

- Please don't use jars that have contained vinegar, oil or nut butters
- No products containing nuts in the jars please
- Wrapped sweets only please.

Jars can be dropped off at the office until Friday 21st June.

We are also collecting **teddies and soft toys for the teddy tombola!** Please donate any unwanted (clean) teddies.

Thank you for your support.

Fundraising:
Although the fair is not for fundraising, any profit made will go towards our pond area at the back of the field. We would like to develop this area into a working space for children to use, especially as part of our outdoor learning. We would like it incorporated into our on-site forest area.

2023-2024 Calendar

Every effort will be made to keep these dates in place but please be aware, changes may occur.
Some events are 'to be confirmed' as they are dependent on support/staffing, or dates have not yet been set.
Updates/changes are highlighted.

TERM 6 – 2023/24			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
3	Tues 18th June	Transition afternoon	Afternoon in new classes
	Thurs 20th June	Saplings Class Assembly	
	Thurs 20th June	Year R and 1 – Offsite Forest with Mrs Jones	Transition forest
	Fri 21st June	Wear something yellow for Cystic Fibrosis	
	Fri 21st June	Year 2 and 3 – Offsite Forest with Miss Rivers	Transition forest
	Fri 21st June	World Music Day – Music Concert	3.15 in the hall. All welcome.
4	Tues 25th June	Transition morning	Morning in new classes
	Fri 28th June	Sports Day and family picnic	AM and Lunch
	Fri 28th June	Summer Fair	PM
5	Tues 2nd July	Transition day	Full day in new classes
	Thurs 4th July	Year 6 – Offsite Forest with Mr Stanley	Party in the Forest!
	Fri 5th July	*Back up Sports day (weather!)*	
	Fri 5th July	Bikeability – Year 6	
	Fri 5th July	Democracy Day – School Captain, House Captain and School Council elections for September	
	Fri 5th July	Grasshoppers own clothes	
	Fri 5th July	Choir singing in the village	2pm. All welcome.
6	Fri 12th July	End of Term reports issued	

	Fri 12th July	Mighty Oaks Camp Out	6pm, field, pick up at 9pm or the next morning at 10am
	Fri 12th July	Year 6 Water Sports Trip	
7	Tues 16th July	Young Oaks onsite outdoor learning	
	Tues 16th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	1.30, school hall
	Wed 17th July	Mighty Oaks' Show	5.00, school hall
	Tues 16th July	Parents' Open Afternoon/Evening	
	Thurs 18th July	Little Acorns and Saplings onsite outdoor learning	AM
	Thurs 18th July	Year 6 Leavers' Service - St Mary's Church	2.00pm, Year 6 families welcome
	Fri 19th July	Mighty Oaks onsite outdoor learning	
	Fri 19th July	**End of Term 6**	
	Mon 22nd July	Staff Development Day 4	
	Tues 23rd July	Staff Development Day 5	
Summer Holiday Events			
	Fri 16th Aug	Picnic 1 at Brook School	12 – 3pm
	Sat 17th Aug	Summer Bash Fun Day	1pm, Brook Village Hall
	Tue 27th Aug	Picnic 2 at Brook School	12 – 3pm