Newsletter

Friday 10th October 2025

A Small School on a Big Adventure

Upcoming events next week:

- Parents' Evening meetings – Mon, Tues, Wed
- Individual school photos – Thursday
- 'Sharing the Learning' events 2.45pm (see below dates for each class).
- Harvest Festival at Church – 9.30 Friday. Parents and Carers welcome to attend.

IMPORTANT: Parent and Carer conduct

It has been reported to me that there are still incidences directly outside school of adults swearing. Please can all adults be aware of children hearing this when on or near school site. Thank you.

NEWS: Sharing the Learning

This week we are holding the first of this new event at Brook. Parents and Carers are invited into class so children can share some of their learning with you. These take place at 2.45pm.

Mighty Oaks - Tuesday
Young Oaks - Wednesday
Saplings - Thursday
Little Acorns - Friday

NEWS: Staffing update

We are delighted to share that Ellie De-Buriatte will be returning to Brook for some days next term, before officially returning after Christmas. Mrs D has been on parental leave following the birth of her baby girl in March.

Mrs D will be working in Little Acorns so she can get to know the children and families. From January, Mrs D will teach Little Acorns Wednesday – Friday each week, with Mrs Thompson returning to part-time on Monday and Tuesday. Mrs D and Mrs Thompson make a great team and have shared Little Acorns in the past, so we know this will work out wonderfully for all the children. Little Acorns parents may remember Mrs D for the open events last year!

SAFEGUARDING UPDATES: Mobile phones, social media, smart technology and Acceptable Use of the internet

Online saftey is a huge part of the safeguarding procedures at school due to the constant changing nature of technology. We have two polices which are vital in keeping our children safe.

Mobile phones, smart technology and social media – We have a strict policy in school for children not to bring in or use mobile phones or other technology which uses internet or can

take photographs (such as smart watches). If a child needs to bring a phone to school, we ask that it is handed in to the office at the start of the day and collected at the end of the day.

Acceptable Use Policy – We have updated our policy for this (as well as our other sfaeguarding policies) to include the use of Artificial Intelligence. Children will have some time in class to review the policy and it has been shared with you as it involves parents, children, staff and volunteers. Please take the time to read the expectations for all parties.

Both polices will be ratified by governors at the start of Term 3.

Calendar

Every effort will be made to keep these dates in place but please be aware, changes may occur.
Updates/changes are highlighted.

TERM 1 – 2025/26			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
7		***Black History Week***	
	w/c 13th Oct	Parents' Evening Meetings	
	Thurs 16th Oct	Individual School Photos	
	Tues 14th Oct	Sharing the Learning – Mighty Oaks	2.45pm, classroom, all welcome
	Wed 15th Oct	Sharing the Learning – Young Oaks	2.45pm, classroom, all welcome
	Thurs 16th Oct	Sharing the Learning – Saplings	2.45pm, classroom, all welcome
	Fri 17th Oct	Sharing the Learning – Little Acorns	2.45pm, classroom, all welcome
	Fri 17th Oct	Harvest Festival – St. Mary's Church	Church, 9.30am, all welcome
	Fri 17th Oct	BRILLIANT BROOK DAY - Enrichment	Discrimination theme
	Fri 17th Oct	***End of Term 1***	

TERM 2 – 2025/26			
Week	**Day/Date**	**Event**	**Further information**
1	Mon 27th Oct	Staff Development Day 1	
	Mon 27th Oct	Open Morning for prospective Year R 2026	
	Tues 28th Oct	***Term 2 begins***	
	Fri 31st Oct	Own clothes for Winning House Term 1	House TBC
2		***All clubs start this week***	
	Tues 4th Nov	Environment-led learning – Mighty Oaks	Off-site
3		***Anti-Bullying Week***	
	Wed 12th Nov	Environment-led learning – Young Oaks	Off-site
	Fri 14th Nov	Children in Need and Dance Dash	Own clothes (optional) for a donation
4	Mon 17th Nov	Open Evening for prospective Year R 2026	
	Wed 19th Nov	Environment-led learning – Saplings	Off-site
5	Tues 25th Nov	Stay and Play 1 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2026
	Tues 25th Nov	Environment-led learning – Mighty Oaks	On-site
6	Tues 2nd Dec	Stay and Play 2 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2026
	Wed 3rd Dec	Environment-led learning – Young Oaks	On-site
7	Tues 9th Dec	Stay and Play 3 for Prospective Families	New intake Sept 2026
	Wed 10th Dec	Environment-led learning – Saplings	On-site
8		***No clubs this week***	
	Mon 15th Dec	LA and Saplings Nativity	2pm, school hall
	Tues 16th Dec	YO and MO Christmas Show	2pm, school hall
	Wed 17th Dec	Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day	
	Fri 19th Dec	Christmas Service - St. Mary's Church	9.30am, all welcome

	Fri 19th Dec	BRILLIANT BROOK DAY - Enrichment	Tolerance theme
	Fri 19th Dec	Christmas Fair	2.00pm
	Fri 19th Dec	End of Term reports issued	
	Fri 19th Dec	***End of Term 2***	

Key dates for the year ahead:
19th – 21st Jan – Mighty Oaks residential
2nd April, 9.30am - Easter Service at Church
26th June – Sports Day and Summer Fair