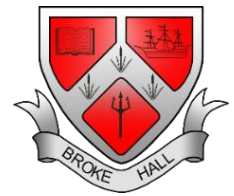


Broke Hall Primary School



Friday 16th September 2022

Newsletter 14

Message from Mrs. Fairs:

Welcome back!

I trust you and your families enjoyed the Summer break – the unusually warm and dry weather meant that we could spend time outside at least. The staff and children have approached the start of term with great gusto and we are already immersed in our learning for the term. We have welcomed Miss Prior to our school as she begins her role as the Upper Phase Leader and Year 6 teacher and said farewell to Mrs. Singleton, Mrs. Schug and Mr. Smith as they have taken up positions elsewhere. You may also like to know that Mr. Smith welcomed his first child, a son, earlier in the Summer. We wish them all well.

We were all saddened to learn of the passing of Her Majesty, The Queen. We have marked this historic event with assemblies which have helped to explain what has happened and what will come next. The children have fond memories of our Platinum Jubilee celebrations which took place in June and we are so pleased that we were able to give the children a lasting and positive time to reflect on once this difficult time has passed.

Mrs. Fairs

Keeping you informed

It was wonderful to see so many of you came to our 'Meet the Teacher' events at the start of the term. For those of you who were unable to make it, the presentations will be available to view on our website. Speaking of which, look out for our brand-new website which will be launching very soon. We have set a date for our Open Evening for prospective parents which will take place on Thursday 6th October. If you know of anyone looking for a school place for Reception 2023, or indeed any year group, please pass on the date.

Year group newsletters will also be winging their way to you, packed with all the learning we have planned for your children over the Autumn term.

The Big Hoot

I wonder if you managed to complete the Big Hoot Owl Trail over the Summer? If you did, you may have spotted "Roots and Wings" – Broke Hall's very own Little Hoot. They have now flown back to our nest and will find good company with our giraffe, elephant and pig from previous years – we are acquiring quite a menagerie!

Wellbeing week

This week has been our Wellbeing Week. The children have been learning the importance of making time for themselves, how to deal with worries or anxieties and the role honesty and talk can have in good mental health. Year Six were treated to a specially written play by a visiting company from The New Wolsey Theatre. This upbeat production dealt with the issues surrounding truth – both being true to yourself and telling the truth, even when it is difficult – as well as shining a light on the consequences when this breaks down.



High School Places

Just a reminder for our families with children in Year Six. Although I am sure you can hardly believe it, the time has come to apply for your child's high school place. Applications are done centrally through Suffolk County Council, not individual schools. The link below gives advice and information on what to consider before you apply.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place-20232024>

The application form can be found here:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-places/>

The window for applications is small and the deadline is October 31st 2022. To stand the best chance of securing a place at your preferred school, you should apply before the deadline as some schools are oversubscribed.

Dates for your diary	
Monday 19 th September	School closed to mark the funeral of Queen Elizabeth II
Tuesday 20 th September	Year One online toy workshop and activity day
Monday 26 th September	Suffolk Police to visit Year 6
Tuesday 27 th September	5S Maths Café
Thursday 29 th September	5T Maths Café
Friday 30 th September	5B Maths Café 6P to visit The Hold
Tuesday 4 th October	6AS to visit The Hold
Wednesday 5 th October	6M to visit The Hold
Thursday 6 th October	Open Evening for prospective parents
Monday 17 th October	Parent consultations
Wednesday 19 th October	Parent consultations



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