

# Broke Hall Primary School



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## Message from Mrs. Fairs:

May is a lovely month to work in our school. The children can enjoy playing on the field and more of our learning can take place out in the open. Our oldest children have taken their End of Key Stage Assessments – the culmination of everything they have learned across Key Stage Two and can look forward to the traditional activities often enjoyed by Year Six to celebrate their last weeks as Primary school children. I shall take this opportunity to congratulate everyone involved in these milestone assessments – the children conducted themselves so very well.

It has been an eventful week this week, but I know that many families have exciting things planned for the holiday and I hope you all enjoy the half term break.

Mrs. Fairs

## Sports Week

This week saw our annual Sports Days where our children competed against each other in a mixture of field events, traditional Sports Day fun races and a sprint or longer distance running race. As ever, the competition was spiced up a little by pitting our houses (Orwell, Lark, Waveney and Deben) against one another. The points will be added up and the winning house announced after half term.

Moving the competition to May this year, to avoid the oppressively hot weather we often have in June and July seems to have worked very well. Thank you to our PE team of Mr Bradford and Mrs Stark for organising all this. Thank you to all the spectators for supporting all the children.

Alongside this piece of sporting action came a range of enrichment opportunities, including the ever-popular inflatable human table football for our older children.



## Trust Review

Last week we were visited by our CEO and our School Improvement Lead who conducted a routine review of the school, with a particular focus on writing and PE. This involved learning walks, interviews with staff and chatting with the children about their work and what life at Broke Hall was like. The whole experience was very positive, and we are pleased with the report detailing their findings.

*“Pupils overwhelmingly like coming to school and listed subjects such as DT, maths and PE as subjects they particularly enjoy.”*

*Pupils were very good at articulating how PE helps them in life, commenting on physical benefits and naming muscles, joints and the circulatory system. They talked about social benefits and a positive effect on mental health, in addition to improving health and preventing disease.”*

## Beekeeper Visit



Children in our reception classes were visited by a beekeeper this week. They have been learning about the importance of bees, how bees help us and ways we can help bees too. Helen, the bee keeper, shared a story book she has published about bees. Children have been busy with lots of bee related activities in class.



## Suffolk Show Schools' Garden Competition and award news.

Many of you will have watched with interest as the large wooden container outside Mrs. Fairs' window has transformed into Mr. McGregor's garden, complete with naughty Peter Rabbit nibbling at his hard work. This is the result of months of work for some of the children in gardening club. Each year, the Suffolk Agricultural Association challenges schools to create a themed garden for judging at the Suffolk Show. This year's theme is "Our Favourite Book". The garden will be transported to the Trinity Park for the Suffolk Show where it may hopefully win a prize. The competition takes place on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> May so if you are attending the show, please come along and look at the entries.



We are also thrilled to have been awarded Level 4 in the RHS Schools' Gardening Awards. We achieved this because we have shown our gardening supports wildlife, our curriculum and that we share our plants and seeds with others.

## Term dates for your diary

26th – 30th May Half term holiday	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Children return to school
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	4C and 4B visit to Lackford Lakes
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photographs
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Ice Pop Fridays return (HSA)</b>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Bungee run PE enrichment for Years 2 and 6
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Wilder Schools Year 4
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Assessment week begins for Years 1-5
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	6P to Life Exhibition
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	6S and 6M to Life Exhibition
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup> /Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Copleston Transition days
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Broke Hall move up day
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 1 to Felixstowe
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	HSA Summer Fair 3.30pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Baseball PE enrichment for Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 3.30pm – 5.30pm	Open evening - all families invited to visit classes across the school, including the current year group and to visit the classrooms for the next year.
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Reports out
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term