

Broke Hall Primary School



Friday 18th July 2025 Newsletter 16

Message from Mrs. Fairs:

Well, here we are at the end of another fantastic year. We have seen births, bungee runs and bikeability; marriages, marathons and murals; fundraising, philosophy and farm visits; projects, performances and prizes - and that is on top of all the fantastic learning the children have been engaged with! Congratulations are due to Mrs. Allison and Miss Cooper, who have successfully completed their two-year Early Career induction period. We say goodbye to Mrs. Bota and Miss Allard, who leave us to take up posts in other schools, and to Mrs. Prior who is giving retirement another go. I must thank them, and indeed all of the staff for their hard work throughout the year. Your support as parents, carers and friends of the school is very important to us, and we are very grateful for it. This team effort makes Broke Hall a very special place to learn and grow. Have a wonderful summer and we will see most of you in September.

Mrs. Fairs

SATS Success

The End of Key Stage Two Assessments (formerly known as SATs) have yielded a terrific set of results. All our data was above the national average figures for children reaching the expected standard and above or at the national figures for achieving at greater depth within the standard. The focus on these assessments naturally becomes sharper when the children are in Year Six but this really is a culmination of the hard work and dedication of all the teachers and the children over their time with us and we celebrate these successes collectively. Ultimately though, it is the children who have achieved these results and they are thoroughly deserving of them. As we say farewell to this group of children, we feel especially proud of the way they have come through adversity and disruption, particularly to their KS1 schooling, and risen to be the best that they can be, demonstrating our school values to the last. Well done Year Six.

	Broke Hall 2025	National 2025
Reading, writing and maths combined	74%	62%
Reading	84% Greater depth 33%	75%
Writing	84% Greater depth 13%	72%
Maths	84% Greater depth 31%	74%
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling	77%	73%
Science	90%	82%

Free holiday activities on board a barge!

Hannah from the Ipswich Heritage Harbour project (the person who got us involved in the fabulous Wolsey550 project) has asked us to let you know about some exciting **free activities** taking place on board the sailing barge *Victor* which will be moored at the waterfront this summer. Sessions take place on Wednesdays and are for accompanied 5-11 year olds (under 5s are not permitted on the barge for health and safety reasons. Places must be booked in advance and booking is open from today. To book, visit Eventbrite and search for "Barge at Large" or scan the QR code on the flyer at the end of the newsletter, where you can also find more information.

Suffolk Libraries Reading Quest

Reading is a terrific way to keep minds active over the long summer break. Suffolk Libraries is launching its Reading Quest from 19th July to 31st August. This year's theme is "Nature and the Great Outdoors". Children can sign up at any Suffolk library and will receive a passport to track their reading and complete activities. These schemes are always popular with children at Broke Hall and they are a great way to encourage reading for pleasure and family engagement.



News from your HSA

The HSA have worked tirelessly this year to support the school with funds as well as provide extracurricular activities for the children. The end of term discos were a great success and children from nursery to Year Six enjoyed showing off their dance moves, over 500 ice poles are sold every Friday, the pre-loved uniform shop is thriving and of course the Summer Carnival was a fabulous event. The work of the HSA helps keep the costs of trips down for parents and goes towards those items which enhance the enrichment and education of all, but which cannot be taken from ever tightening school budgets. Thank you to everyone who has supported these events or helped on the day. If you are able to give a little time to help organise events such as the summer and Christmas Fairs, sell pre-loved uniform or ice-pops, please contact the HSA via BrokeHallHSA@outlook.com.

Thank you for representing Broke Hall

A big thank you and well done to anyone who has represented the school in any kind of arts, music, computing or sporting event this year. You have done so with great enthusiasm and whenever there has been an element of competition, have showed grace in both victory and defeat. Pictured below are two teams of girls from Year 3 and Year /45 who took part in a recent football festival. Well done to all. A special thank you to any teachers who have organised these events which take a great deal of planning and preparation.



We have also been treated to an amazing singing performance of *The Wind in the Willows*, led by Mrs Waldock and *Sherlock and Cinders* by Year Six. Thank you to all who attend these shows.



Transition

Transition arrangements do not stop for us at Move-up day. Mrs. Stanford has been facilitating enhanced transition to local high schools for some pupil and in year groups where the classes have been mixed, activities have been arranged to help the children form firm new bonds. In addition to this, we have made transition packs available on our website. They can be found on the school website: Pupils tab – Transition Photos September 2025, or by [visiting this link](#).

Meet the Teacher September 2025

We will be opening our doors for you to meet your child’s new teachers and to learn more about what the year holds for your child. Please see the dates section below for more details of your allocated time. If you are not able to attend, the presentation will also be available of the website after the event. Please come to the external door of your child’s classroom at 2.45pm.

Term dates for your diary

Monday 1 st September	PD Day – school closed to pupils
Tuesday 2 nd September	PD Day – school closed to pupils
Wednesday 3rd September	First day of term for pupils
Thursday 4 th September	Year 1 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Friday 5 th September	Year 2 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Monday 8 th September	Year 4 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Tuesday 9 th September	Year 3 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Wednesday 10 th September	Year 5 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Thursday 11 th September	Year 6 Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Friday 12 th September	Year R Meet the Teacher 2.45pm
Monday 8 th September	Wellbeing week begins
Weds 17 th -Fri 19 th September	Year 6 residential to Norfolk Lakes
Thursday 16 th October	Half of Year 5 to Redgrave and Lopham Fen
Friday 17 th October	Half of Year 5 to Redgrave and Lopham Fen
Mon 27 th October – Fri 31 st October Half Term holiday – school closed to pupils	
Thursday 4 th December	Trust Christmas Concert at the Corn Exchange (choir)
Friday 19 th December	Last day of Autumn Term

FREE
ARTS, CRAFTS AND
STORYTELLING FOR
CHILDREN
AGED 5 TO 11*

BOOK HERE
QR CODE

WEDNESDAYS
10AM-3PM
30 JULY-27 AUG

THE BARGE AT LARGE

ALL ABOARD SB VICTOR FOR STORIES, ART AND ADVENTURE

*Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
For safety reasons, siblings under 5 are not permitted to board.
Two slots per day: 10:00 AM-12:00 PM & 1:00 PM-3:00 PM.
Sessions must be pre-booked.
Visit: eventbrite.co.uk or scan the QR code to reserve your spot.

SB VICTOR, OLD CUSTOM HOUSE,
COMMON QUAY, IPSWICH

SUFFOLK ARCHIVES