

Broke Hall Primary School



Friday 12th September 2025 Newsletter:1

Message from Mrs. Fairs:

“The beginning is the most important part of the work” says Plato and he must have had schools in mind when he wrote those words. The beginning of any school year, the getting to know one another and the establishing of routines and expectations sets the impetus for the year ahead. The children have all settled wonderfully well to their new year groups and classes, as have staff members. Our new intake of Reception and Nursery pupils are enthusiastic and wide-eyed in equal measure – a sight I will never tire of. As ever, there is lots to work towards this term in relation to the curriculum, enrichment and beyond and we look forward to working in partnership with you all to make this academic year better than ever.

Mrs. Fairs

Support our crossing patrols

Mike Brooks, the Safer Active Travel Manager at Suffolk County Council has contacted us to say that they will be doing some filming at the Foxhall Road crossing on the afternoon of Monday 22nd September. There is a misconception among some motorists that “lollipop patrols” are only for children or adults with children and this is not the case – the film will be designed to highlight the law. Some crossing patrol operatives receive abuse because of this misunderstanding, which is clearly not acceptable. They do not plan to talk with any children or their families, but they wanted to make you aware of the council’s plans.



Broke Hall Values



Curiosity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We ask questions about our learning and the wider world. • We seek to learn new things. • We relish a challenge.
Knowledge and Understanding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have a lifelong love of learning. • We can use our knowledge and skills to make connections in our learning. • We can use the facts that we have learnt to answer questions.
Independence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We take responsibility for our own choices. • We can do things on our own and this gives us confidence. • We can find our own solutions to problems.
Inclusion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are accepting and understanding of our differences and diversity. • We are caring friends. • We show respect for ourselves and other people in our community, our country and our world.
Resilience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We keep trying, even when things are difficult. • We can do it, just not yet! • We are confident to 'have a go' and are not afraid to make mistakes.

Meet the Teacher Sessions

Thank you to those of you who were able to attend these sessions. As well as being an opportunity for you to put a name to a face, information was also shared about the curriculum for the year ahead including proposed visits and visitors, timetables and routines. This year we also included an overview of our school values – why they are important and how they benefit your child.

These presentations can be found on the Year Group school website for those of you who were unable to attend. If you have any questions or queries about your child or the school day, please contact your child’s class teacher in the first instance.

Stronger Starts – Tesco tokens

Just a reminder that you can still pick up a token and vote for Broke Hall at Tesco until the end of September.

You will be able to vote in any of the following stores:

- Felixstowe Express
- Ipswich Kesgrave Superstore
- Martlesham Extra
- Tavern St Ipswich Express

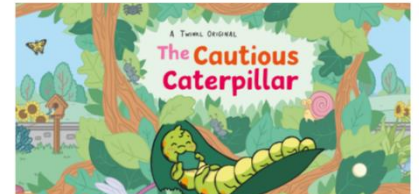
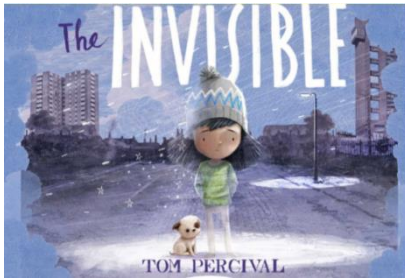


The project with the highest number of votes across the region will receive £1,500 the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500. Please pick up a token and add it to the Broke Hall box if you are visiting any of these stores.

Wellbeing week

This week has already seen some enrichment activities with the Year 5 and Year 6 children being introduced to squash. We have also had a focus on wellbeing this week across the school. We have used stories as a starting point for discussion with the children about managing their wellbeing and arming them with a range of strategies to use. The children have also completed

physical activities such as yoga and Stormbreaks (short physical activities with a focus on wellbeing) to increase their understanding of the link between physical and mental health. The children have all enjoyed these activities and it has supported them in getting to know their new teachers, classes and routines.



Roof replacement

If you have walked around the Upper Phase area of the school, you will have noticed the scaffolding around these classes. This is for the work to replace the roof and skylights in that section of the school. This has been funded by the Department for Education through their Condition and Improvement Fund.

Term dates for your diary

Tuesday 16 th Sept	Year Three Stone Age day
Wed 17 th Sept – Fri 19 th Sept	Year Six residential trip to Norfolk Lakes
Fri 26 th September	Individual photos
Mon 29 th September	Ipswich Maritime Trust assembly for Upper Phase
Mon 6 th /Tues 7 th October	Year 5 (in four groups) to visit Ipswich waterfront – details to follow
Wed 8 th Oct	Open evening for new and potential parents
Tues 14 th /Weds 15 th October	Parent consultation evenings
Thurs 16 th /Fri 17 th October	Year 5 to Redgrave and Lopham Fen (in two groups) – details to follow
Mon 20 th -Fri 24 th October	Food and festivals week
Monday 27 th Oct-Friday 31 st Oct	Half term break – school closed to pupils