

# Brooke House School Bulletin

29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

On Wednesday Ospreys and Goshawks participated in this year's launch of BBC's 500 words competition. It is finally back after COVID stopped it for the past three years.

Since the competition was first launched in 2011 by Chris Evans on the Radio 2 Breakfast Show, it has received over one million stories from children throughout the UK.

This year, the two age categories will be **5-7 year-olds** and **8-11 year-olds**. Children of all abilities are encouraged to use their creativity and imagination to **write a story they would love to read** without the pressure of having to worry about spelling, punctuation and grammar.

The 500 Word judges are back; award-winning and best-selling authors **Frank Cottrell-Boyce, Francesca Simon, Charlie Higson**, and former children's laureate, **Malorie Blackman**. We are delighted to say that this year there will be a new addition to the panel, TV legend and children's author, **Sir Lenny Henry**. The judges will be casting their expert eyes over the final 50 stories.

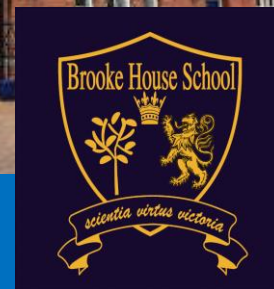
The winners will be featured in a special 500 Word programme with **The One Show at Buckingham Palace, on World Book Day on 7 March 2024**.

Our students are really excited and started writing some brilliant ideas straight away. We can't wait to read their entries. We will also hold our own competition and award prizes for the best stories.

## Bat Walk

We have arranged an evening Bat Detection walk on Tuesday October 10<sup>th</sup> 2023. It will begin at 1820 and will be held at Aylestone Meadows. Parents will be responsible for taking their child to the Meadows and walking with them during the evening. The lady who will lead the event is from the Bat Conservation Society and there will be a small charge of £3 per adult, children are free. This will include a talk about Bats and the use of a Bat Detector during the event – although these might be shared – dependent upon numbers. The event will of course be weather dependent.

If you are interested, please book your place by speaking to a school adult or to Mrs Wakley who will be co-ordinating the event.



## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – weather dependent

Evening Bat Detection walk at Aylestone Meadows

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
End of October half-term

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023  
School re-starts

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Harry Potter and the Cursed Child  
Palace Theatre Trip

17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023  
Crazy Hair Day for Children in Need

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2023  
Christmas Production  
(afternoon performance)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2023  
Christmas Production - evening

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023  
End of Term – School Closes at 5pm



## Star Factor

The student with the star factor this week is  
**Edward Dixon**  
for super work in his Climate Literacy lesson.  
Well done, Edward!



# News & Information

## Food Technology

This week in food technology year 7/8 made some delicious cakes. They could choose to make cakes using the creaming method, all in one method, make fatless sponges or use the rubbing in method.

With so many great bakes it was a tricky decision but this week's star baker goes to Taryn Swift.

GCSE students also made cakes as well.... They practised their baking skills ready for next year's practical exam. This week's star baker goes to Zuha Abbas for making some fabulous cakes.

Goshawks continued practising their rubbing in skills by making some delicious jam tarts. This week's star baker goes to Nivas Odedra.



## PE Stars of the Week

Tuesday - Nivas Odedra

Thursday – Group 1 – Neiron Odedra/ Kai Lane

Thursday – Group 2 – Demi Taylor



## Latin word of the week

This week's Latin root word is: 'minimus'

'smallest, very small'

Some examples of modern English words that contain this root are

**Mini, minimum, minimal**

What other modern words can you find which contain this root word?

# News & Information

## Mathematics

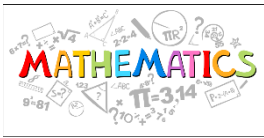


Times Tables Champion

The award this week goes to Nivas Odedra for full marks in a quick time in this week's test.



The Mathematics Star for this week goes to Cian Capper for trying hard in his recent end of topic test on algebra.



Mathematics Work of the Week by Edward Dixon for working out the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of a linear sequences.

This week's questions: Find the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequences below

8      10      12      14      16  
4      13      22      31      40

These questions were answered by one of our year 8 students. Their solutions to follow next week

Last week's questions and answers by one of our year 10 students:

$$9\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3}$$
$$4\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{5} + 5\sqrt{2}$$

d)  $9\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} - 7\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{3}$   
 $9\sqrt{2} - 7\sqrt{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$   
 $2\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{3} = 5\sqrt{3}$   
 $= 2\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{3}$

e)  $4\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{5} + 5\sqrt{2}$   
 $4\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{5} = 6\sqrt{5}$   
 $-2\sqrt{2} + 5\sqrt{2} = 3\sqrt{2}$   
 $= 6\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}$

## Fund raising

Well done to Vincent Parker who recently took part in a charity bike ride with his Cub Scout group. The Cosby Cub Scouts were raising money for the [Regain Sports Charity](#) cycling  $7\frac{1}{2}$  miles around Knighton Park. So far, Vincent has managed to raise £120.



Kickboard  
Star



The student with the most Kickboard points this week is;

**Emmie Parker**

Well Done!

# Menu for next week



## Monday

Pasta Carbonara

Hidden Vegetable Pasta Carbonara

(V)

Served with Green Beans and Carrots

Oat Cookie



## Thursday

Sausage Casserole

Plant Based Sausage (V)

Served with Diced Potatoes, Broccoli  
and Carrots

Fruit Platter



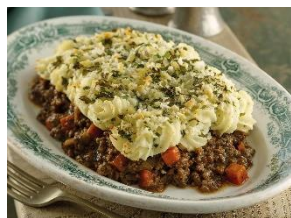
## Tuesday

Chicken and Vegetable Pie

Vegetable Pie (V)

Served with Roast Potatoes, Cabbage  
and Sweetcorn

Fruit Cake



## Wednesday

Cottage Pie

Plant Based Cottage Pie (V)

Served with Cauliflower and Peas

Pineapple Upside-Down Pudding

Served with Custard



## Friday

Beef Burger in a Bun

Vegetable Burger in a Bun (V)

Served with Chips, Peas and  
Ketchup

Chocolate Cake and Ice-Cream

## Jacket Potatoes

If you need to order a jacket potato for your child on any of the days please can you email the bulletin with the day(s) and the choice of filling. Please can all orders be in by **2200 on Sunday evening**.

The filling choices are cheese, baked beans and spaghetti hoops.