

# Brooke House School Bulletin



17<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## Crazy Hair Day

Children at Brooke House and The Lodge today dressed their hair up for 'Crazy Hair Day' donating a £1.00 for the privilege.

This year, the BBC are calling on schools across the UK to celebrate the power of positive relationships, and the impact of these relationships in helping to support children and young people throughout the school years.

Many children and young people experience some of their first positive relationships with teachers and mentors at school, and so the BBC want to celebrate schools in the UK.

Children in Need are the leading independent funder for children and young people in the UK. They believe that every child and young person deserves the opportunity to thrive and be the best they can be. Through our grant making and wider work, they aim to create lasting, positive change across the UK for the children and young people who need it most.

This year we raised £96.65 from donations and also from our cake sale. Well done everyone.



## Dates for your diary

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2023  
Keystage 2 Parents evening

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> November  
Keystage 3 & 4 Parents evening

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2023  
Apprenticeship Accelerator 5pm

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

New Date – 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2024  
Harry Potter and the Cursed Child  
Palace Theatre Trip



## Star Factor

The student with the star factor this week is  
**Lily Swift**  
for super work in her English.  
Well done, Lily!



# News & Information

## APPRENTICESHIP ACCELERATOR

Taking place on **Thursday 30th November**, at **5pm**, students will discover everything from what an apprenticeship actually is to how to land one themselves, picking up some super handy application skills from our industry experts along the way.

On the night, students will be treated with the following;

- **Three** sessions with expert guest panelists from the UK's Best Apprenticeship Employers
- **Two** Q&A sessions where students can ask our employers absolutely anything they want to know about apprenticeships or the companies themselves
- A chance to win a £250 Amazon voucher at the end.

The event is 100% virtual - so you can join from anywhere. If you're unable to attend, no worries! Sign up and you'll get access to a recording of the full event. To register [follow this link](#).

**Emile  
Education  
National**



### Spelling Competition

During the week the students in both Ospreys and Goshawks took part in a national spelling competition where primary schools across the country have been playing online spelling games in order to gain as many points as possible. They all performed admirably. Well done!

## PE

Stars of the week

Tuesday – Ava-Rose Nixon

Thursday – Group 1 – Charlotte Lane

Thursday – Group 2 – Percy Gibbs



## Food Technology

This week Kestrels, Ospreys and Goshawks all made some delicious chocolate chip flapjacks. The Star Bakers this week were Ava Rose Nixon for Ospreys and George Konrath in Kestrels and All of Goshawks.

Kites made jam tarts and all showed great skill. Rayan is awarded Star Baker this week.

Just to show there's more to cooking than the actual cooking, here is a picture of Ava and George doing the washing up, so you know it's possible!



## Latin word of the week

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

'silent/restive'

Some examples of modern English words that contain this root are

**Tranquil, requiem**

## Anti-Bullying Week 2023

MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> TO FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

This week has been anti-bullying week and all the classes in school have had a presentation in PSHCE/RSE or assembly. This year's theme has been all about making a noise and standing up to bullies. We also discussed with students our child friendly Child on Child Abuse Policy so that students know where to go and who to speak to if they have any issues regarding bullying. Students were also reminded about the worry boxes and worry monsters around school which are regularly checked by school staff. At the Lodge Senior Students also investigated questions about whether our language is 'banter' or bullying.



Leicestershire  
**Police**  
Protecting our communities

### Knife Crime

On Friday Years 7-11 had a talk by Leicestershire Police on Knife Crime. The message was **'We don't carry a knife'**. The main focus was **'Joint Enterprise'**, which means that if you are part of a knife incident you can be just as guilty as the person actually carrying the knife or doing the stabbing. You cannot use the excuses "I've done nothing!" or "I was just here." Under the law that doesn't protect you and prove you are innocent.

In class discussions students realised this is similar to the anti-bullying principles, where the by-standers are just as guilty as the person carrying out the actual bullying. Although, there are different levels of involvement, the onlookers are still part of the incident if they do nothing. Therefore, if a student sees a knife or even hears about someone talking about committing a crime with a knife, they should report it to a parent or teacher immediately, or they themselves may be investigated by the police.

Another topic of discussion was the **'right to search'** students in school. Some students thought this was against the law. However, the police confirmed that a school can carry out a search if they have reasonable suspicion concerning knives, drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, vapes, mobile phones, stolen items or anything contrary to school policy.

This talk was a good conclusion to the Anti-Bullying Week (Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023), where the message this year was **"Make a Noise About Bullying."**



It's never too late to make a positive change in your life.



The student with the most Kickboard points this week is;

**Zara Bowers**

Well Done!

# Menu for next week



## Monday

Chicken Casserole  
Vegetable Casserole (V)  
Served with Roast Potatoes, Broccoli  
and Sweetcorn  
Oatey Biscuit



## Thursday

Chicken and Peppers in Tomato  
Sauce  
Vegetables in a Tomato Sauce  
Served with Cous Cous and Broccoli  
Fresh Fruit Platter



## Tuesday

Minced Beef Hotpot  
Meat Free Hotpot (V)  
Diced Potatoes, Cauliflower and  
Carrots  
Fruit Cake



## Wednesday

Vegetable Pasta Bake (V)  
Served with Green Beans and Garlic  
Bread  
Apple and Raspberry Cobbler with  
Custard



## Friday

### Reward Menu

Cheese Pizza  
Cheese Pizza (V)  
Served with Chips, Carrot and  
Cucumber Sticks  
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.