



Brookdale Primary School Newsletter, February 2018

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World Book Day

Thursday 1st March 2018 sees the return of the ever popular World Book Day. This year we are asking children to dress up as a favourite book character. We are also asking for a £1 donation. The donation will go to our chosen international charity, The Book Bus. More details about the charity can be found by clicking [here](#).



Staff News

I am delighted to say that both Miss Arkell and Mr Jones are staying with our school for the remainder of the school year. They will continue to teach in their current classes.

Mrs Madeley has recently learnt she is having to have an emergency operation. The operation will take place over half term and she will require follow up treatment over a few months. Unfortunately this means she will be absent from school for a period of 3-4 months starting after half term.

Our thoughts are with Mrs Madeley and we wish her all the best in her recovery.



Grant Application

I am pleased to say we have used the Tesco grant to create an outdoor classroom space. The area consists of a story telling circle and some benches. We will start to use this after half term, both during lessons and at playtimes.

Facebook and Twitter

The school uses Twitter to post pictures and comments about everyday life. These posts also appear on the school Facebook page. You can follow us by clicking on the icons below.



E-Safety

Last week in school we took part in 'Safer Internet Day 2018'. The theme this year was entitled 'Create, Connect and Show Respect, A better internet starts with you'. During the week all our children received an assembly and lessons. The theme of these lessons encouraged the children to work together to be positive, safe and respectful online. The ultimate aim is to empower children to take control of their digital wellbeing and explore the opportunities the internet has to offer in a positive way. The lessons enabled the children to consider how they interact with others to develop healthy online relationships.

As a school we take E-Safety really seriously and would encourage you to explore the web links available to parents on our school [website](#).





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A big thanks to the PTA who have recently ran the junior disco and infant party. The events were well enjoyed and raised around £450.

I'm sure you have seen the information about the PTA quiz night which takes place on Friday 23rd March. It promises to be a great night out, so book your babysitters now!



Class Dojo

Class Dojo is a central part of our school behaviour system. We use it to reward children for exhibiting behaviours that match our school values.

On occasions children lose Dojo points for behaviours that go against our school values and that disrupt learning for themselves and others. When children lose points, it comes with an explanation as to why they have lost a point so that they can learn for the future.

The losing of Dojo points comes after at least one verbal warning on most occasions. There are rare occasions when children lose a point without a prior warning. The occasions are few and far between and are due to a serious breach of the behaviour expected. If you are unsure as to why your child has lost a Dojo point, please speak to them, and failing that, ask their class teacher.

This week's activity on Class Dojo saw **1551** positive points being awarded across school and only 72 points were removed. This is testament to the excellent standards of behaviour exhibited by our children. Well done to all!



Dates for your diary

- **1/3/18**— World Book Day
- **6/3/18**—KS2 Anti-Racism assembly
- **6/3/18**—Yr1-Yr6—Judo Assembly
- **9/3/18**—Mothers' Day Wrap
- **Wb 12/3/18**—Year 6 Swimming all week
- **13/3/18**—Year 4 Class assembly
- **20/3/18**—F2 Tesco Easter Experience
- **28/3/18**—Non-uniform with Easter egg donation
- **28/3/18**—PTA Easter Event
- **29/3/18**—Break up for Spring Break