

Brocks Hill Primary

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WELL DONE TO ALL STAFF AND PUPILS



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
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31 October 2018

Dear Ms Walton,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on your school's outstanding achievement in the 2018 phonics screening check.

Achieving early fluency in decoding is a necessary first step in acquiring the key skill of reading.

There is a significant body of evidence, which demonstrates that systematic phonics is the most effective method for teaching early reading. We want to ensure that every child develops a firm grasp of phonics, which is why I was delighted to see your results. With 100 per cent of pupils at Brocks Hill Primary School reaching or exceeding the pass mark in the check, your school is in the top 3 per cent of all primary schools in the country.

This year's figures show that 89 per cent of pupils who achieve the expected standard in the check go on to achieve at least the expected standard in key stage 1 reading teacher assessment, which underlines the importance of developing the ability to decode words effectively at an early age.

Your success in teaching phonics and early reading so effectively means your pupils are developing a firm foundation in reading, from which they can become increasingly fluent and develop a lifelong love of reading.

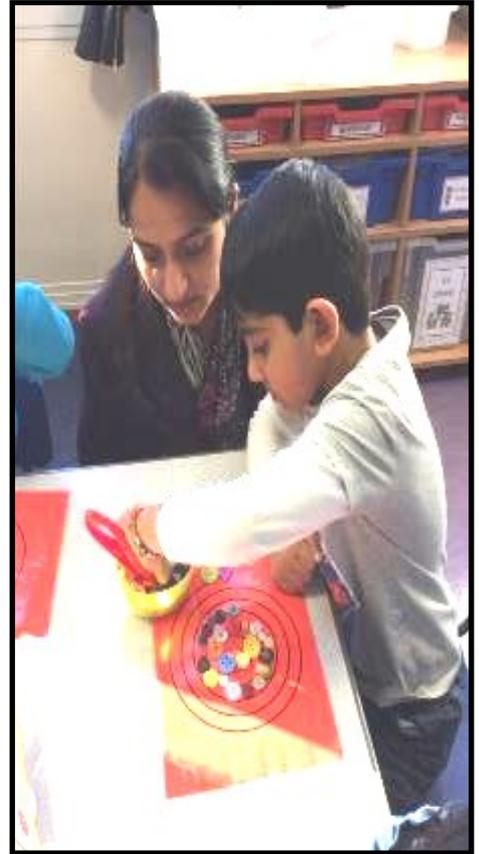
Thank you for your work in this vital area of a child's early education and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Gibb'.

YEAR 1 STAY AND WRITE



A big thank you to all the parents and carers that attended our first Stay and Write session last week. It was **WONDERFUL** to see so many adults engaging with all the different activities. Each stay session will provide great opportunities to learn new ideas to keep writing enjoyable at home. We look forward to seeing even more parents attend in the weeks to come!

YEAR 1 Teachers

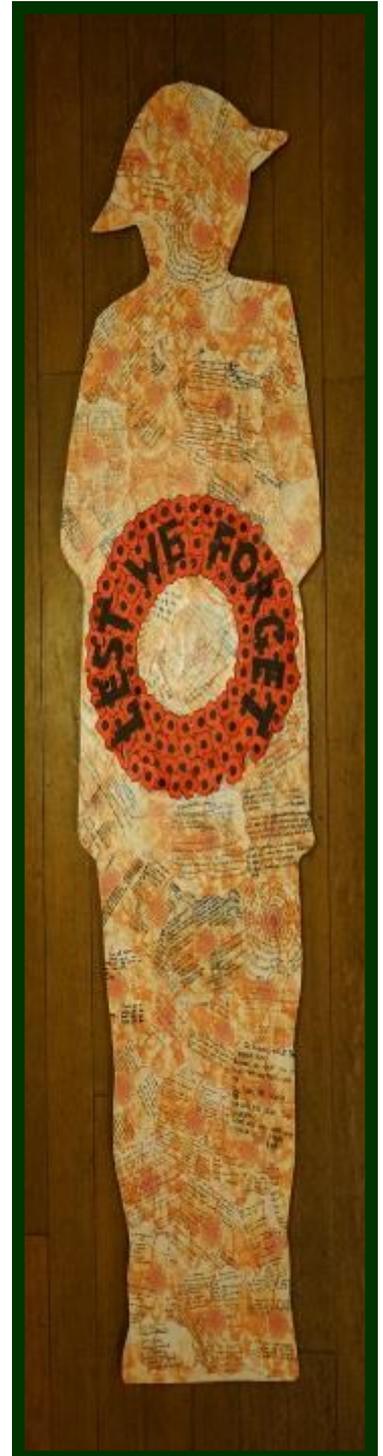


THIS WEEKEND: OADBY REMEMBERS

As we approach the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I this weekend, Brocks Hill has been taking part in a project to remember each of the 83 men from Oadby who died in the conflict.

Each year group has been learning about one of the soldiers from Oadby who died, and has decorated a life-size figure to commemorate him.

Our soldiers will be on display this weekend at St Peter's Church Hall, Wigston Road Oadby. Please consider visiting the exhibition to view them, and to learn more about the impact of the war on our community 100 years ago. Full details are given on the flyer below.



OADBY REMEMBERS

1914-1918 

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND IN OADBY

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 11 November 10am

St Peter's Parish Church, Wigston Road

followed by the laying of wreaths at the Oadby War Memorial

83 MEN REMEMBERED EXHIBITION

Saturday 10 November 10.30am to 3.30pm

Sunday 11 November 11.30am to 4.30pm

St Peter's Centre, Wigston Road

A selection of silhouettes created by the Oadby community will be displayed at venues around Oadby from 12 November. For further details please see www.oadbyremembers.org.uk or Oadby-Remembering the Past Facebook page

BEACON LIGHTING

Sunday 11 November 6.50pm

Brocks Hill Country Park

Please see www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk/pages/rememering_ww1 for further details

RINGING REMEMBERS

*St Peter's Church Bells will be rung at various times throughout the weekend
Please see www.oadbyrc.org.uk/1_8_ringing-remembers.html for further details*

ANTI BULLYING WEEK



'Choose respect' is the theme of National Anti-Bullying week this year, which will be launched by the Wellbeing ambassadors during assembly on Monday. Your children will participate in a number of other activities throughout the week. Please remember to let your child come to school in odd socks on **Monday 12th November** and show their support for anti-bullying week.

SMSC coordinator

STAR OF THE WEEK

Well done to all the children who received the Red jumper in last Friday's assembly.



CHILDREN IN NEED

On Friday 16th November for Children in need the school is having a non-school uniform day.

Your child is welcome to participate in this by donating £1.00 towards the charity.



BOOK FAIR

Thank you for everyone's contribution to the book Fair. We raised an amazing £1508.00.

REMINDER

Grow Your Child's Mind

What every parent needs to know

Wednesday 14th November 2018 6.00-7.00pm

and repeated on

Thursday 15th November 2018 9.00-10.00am