

Brockley Primary School Newsletter 17/25

Friday 24th January 2025



Attendance Update

Our whole school attendance this week is **92.45%**. This is below both National average and the Westminster average. The lower than usual percentage is due to illness and **23** families were absent for a day or more at the end of last term and the beginning of this term. We want to remind you that we are unable to grant any holiday leave, we have a duty to refer unauthorised leave of over 10 sessions (5 days) to the Local Authority who may pursue a fine.

Why does attendance matter so much?

Research by the Department for Education (DfE) shows a direct relationship between school attendance rates and GCSE performance.

Pupils who attend school regularly are more likely to perform better academically.

This is because consistent attendance ensures greater exposure to instruction, classroom interactions, and learning resources.

Studies show that even a small amount of missed school can negatively impact a pupil's performance. Persistent absenteeism (missing 10% or more of school days) is particularly harmful.

Please make sure you send your child in every day for the rest of term.

Attendance for

Week Ending 24/01/25

School attendance is a legal requirement and with the new Penalty Notice Fine Procedures in place it is vitally important that your child attends school on time daily.

Each week in the newsletter we'll report on the attendance for each class so as a community you can see how well our children attend school.

The national attendance target for all schools in England is at least 96%

90% + below	In-between 90% & 96%	96% + above
Zebra	92.24%	
Monkey	90.69%	
Giraffe	90%	
Elephant	90.53%	
Lion	98.8%	

Number for reporting absences and for any queries

01246-823344

Social Media

Follow us Facebook: [Facebook](#)

School website for all policies and information

www.brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

School email address

info@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

Headteacher's direct email address

headteacher@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

Safeguarding Reports and Queries

safeguarding@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

[Derby Safeguarding Children Partnership \(ddscp.org.uk\)](http://Derby Safeguarding Children Partnership (ddscp.org.uk))



The more we can understand about ourselves, the more prepared we are to express our emotions and take on life's ups and downs. Being self-aware means getting to know and understand what we are good at, what we find difficult, our likes and dislikes, what makes us feel JOY and what may cause us SADNESS. It is also about understanding what makes us unique and our fears, hopes and dreams. As we build a sense of self, we grow in our ability to connect with others, as well as develop our skills and talents.

It is with this basis we can form strong and healthy relationships, from early childhood right through to adulthood and are equipped to cope with the challenges that life brings our way. During this week, children at Brockley will be taking part in a variety of activities in their class as well as whole school assemblies. There is something for everyone, and we hope children will enjoy this journey of self-discovery!

Brockley Mural is complete!

We were honoured to showcase our Brockley mural to children and parents this week. We were thrilled to welcome the incredibly talented illustrator, Sally Anderson to school and together with the children they have created a stunning jungle-themed mural, which features contributions from every child at Brockley. Well done children and Sally, it looks fantastic!



Amended dates!

Kindness Week (Monday 3rd – Friday 7th February 2025)

Throughout the week, we'll focus on the power of kindness—exploring how small acts can make a big difference to others and ourselves. Activities will include:

- **Kindness Challenges, Circle Time Assemblies and creative activities**

We hope to inspire the children to embrace kindness not only this week but as a lifelong habit.

NSPCC Number Day (Friday 7th February 2025)

On Friday, we'll combine kindness with fun and learning as we participate in NSPCC's **Number Day** to support their vital work for children across the UK.

Here's what to expect:

- **Dress as a Digit:** Children can come to school dressed as a number or something math-related (e.g., a dice, calculator, or even a mathematical symbol!) for a small donation of £1 to the NSPCC.

Only my best is good enough



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HOLIDAY ACTIVITY PROGRAMME



WHAT'S ON:

Dodgeball, football, cricket, basketball, food preparation skills, arts and crafts, castleball and more!

Sessions are free and lunch is provided. 5–11 year olds only.

WHERE AND WHEN:

Brockley Primary School,
S44 6AF

Monday 17 and Tuesday 18
February 10am till 2pm

TO BOOK:

Please scan this QR code or visit:

bit.ly/leisure-consent-form



CONTACT US:

For more information or to book/cancel a place, please call
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