



# Brockley Primary School Newsletter

## Issue 9

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025



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## *The Brockley Way – ‘Only my best is good enough’*

## Attendance Matters – Our Responsibilities

**What YOU must do:**

Telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.

Tell the school in advance, of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters.

If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

**What WE will do:**

Check your child's attendance every day.

Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.

Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.

If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.

**The national attendance target is 96%**

**Our school attendance this week is 90.62%**

Attendance Band	Class Performance
Zebra	91.05%
Monkey	91.97%
Giraffe	91.72%
Elephant	87.55%
Lion	90.43%

### **Important Reminder**

**We cannot authorise holiday leave during term time. Any unauthorised absence over 10 sessions (5 days) will be referred to the Local Authority and may result in a fine.**

# School Contact Information



Report Absences or Ask Questions: 01246-823344

Website: <http://www.brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk>

General Enquiries: [info@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:info@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

School Website: [www.brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

School Calendar: [Calendar - Brockley Primary School](#)

Headteacher:

[headteacher@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

Safeguarding:

[safeguarding@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk)

School Facebook Page: [Facebook](#)

Safeguarding Info: <https://www.ddscp.org.uk>

## Exciting Staff announcement!

We are delighted to share some wonderful news with our school community. Mrs Powdrill is expecting a baby! This is such a joyful occasion, and we know you will join us in congratulating her and her family as they prepare to welcome their new arrival.

Mrs Powdrill continues to bring her usual energy and dedication to school life, and we are thrilled to celebrate this special milestone with her. We wish her all the very best for the months ahead.

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## Book Fair!

During our Christmas Fair on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November, we are delighted to announce that the book fair will be open where you can purchase books at discounted prices! More details to follow nearer the time.



## Remembering Together – 11.11.25

On Tuesday, our School Council led a heartfelt Remembrance Day Service. We gathered as a school family to pause, reflect, and honour all those who serve and have served. The service included poetry and prayers, reminding us of the courage and sacrifice that protect our freedoms.

One of the most moving moments was hearing lines from John McCrae's famous poem In Flanders Fields, which speaks of poppies growing among the crosses of fallen soldiers a powerful image of hope and remembrance. These words remind us why we wear our poppies with pride.

After the service, School Council stepped outside to lay new wreaths beneath the memorial plaque. This simple act of respect ensures that the stories of bravery and loss continue to live on in our hearts. As we stood together, we shared the solemn promise often spoken at commemorations: We will remember them.

### Why the Poppy Matters

The poppy has become a powerful symbol of remembrance. After the First World War, bright red poppies were the first flowers to grow on the battlefields of Flanders, where so many soldiers had fallen. Their resilience in such harsh conditions came to represent hope and renewal.

Today, wearing a poppy reminds us of those who gave their lives in service and those who continue to serve. It's a simple way to say: we remember, and we are grateful.





# CHRISTMAS FAIR

**Friday 28th November**

We need your help to make our fair a success!

Please donate:

- Bottles (any kind!)
- Chocolates
- Raffle prizes



All donations will be gratefully received from Monday 17 November.

**Special Event:**

**Friday 21st November - Non-Uniform Day**

Wear your own clothes in return for donations of:

- Chocolates
- Bottles
- Raffle prizes

Thank you for your support - every contribution helps make our fair magical!

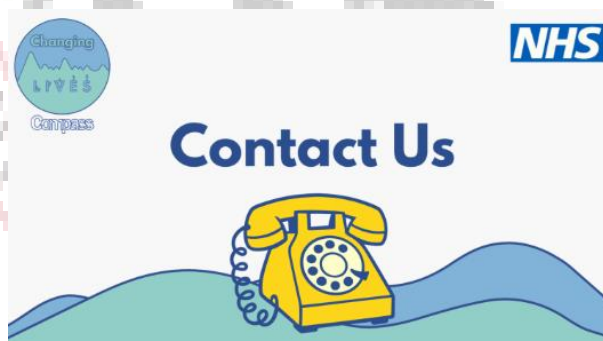


Compass Changing Lives provides prevention and early intervention emotional wellbeing and mental health support to Children, Young People and Families (CYPFs) across Derby & Derbyshire.

They are a compassionate and friendly team who are here to help support children and young people's mental health. They provide a free and confidential emotional health and wellbeing support for children and young people with mild to moderate emotional health and wellbeing needs.

Changing Lives provide support for children and young people aged 5-18 years, and up to 25 years for those leaving care or with Special Education Needs or Disability.

They also provide **parent and carer support** to parents and carers around improving their knowledge and understanding of how best to support and improve their child's mental health and wellbeing.



The easiest way to make a referral is through their online forms. Simply click the link of the option that is right for you using the following link [Compass Changing Lives - Compass](#)

Alternatively, you make a referral through **our app**, by talking to the friendly team on the phone at 01332 315569, or by filling in the **Request for Support Form** and sending it by **email**. You can also contact the school and we can make a referral for you.