

Brockley Primary School
Newsletter

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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Our Responsibilities as a Community

- 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%

Brockley School Attendance is: 91%

Attendance Band	Class Performance
Zebra	95%
Monkey	91%
Giraffe	90%
Elephant	85%
Lion	93%

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

School Contact Information

Click the link below to access the person or information

Report Absences or Ask Questions:

01246-823344

School Facebook Page: [Facebook](#)

Website:

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

Safeguarding Info:

[Derby Safeguarding Children Partnership](#)

General Enquiries:

info@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

School Website:

www.brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

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

Headteacher:

headteacher@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

Safeguarding:

safeguarding@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

Election of Parent Governor Brockley Primary School – May 2026

I am writing to inform you of a vacancy for the role of parent governor at Brockley Primary School.

The role of the governing body

The school's governing body is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The body is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our students.

The role of a parent governor

As a parent governor, you'll work with other governors to ensure that the governing body effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll also play a vital role in ensuring that the governing body is connected with, and aware of the views of, parents and the local community.

To be a parent governor you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for students
- Time to prepare for and attend meetings, and follow up actions as necessary
- Good inter-personal and team working skills
- A willingness to learn and develop new skills (training is provided)

How to apply

If you're interested in applying for the role, please read the attached information (**in a separate attachment to the newsletter**) and complete the candidate nomination form and application form attached to the letter and return either by email to the Clerk to Governors: isobel.sperring@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk or in person for the attention of (FAO) Isobel Sperring Clerk to Governors before 12 noon on Friday 22nd May 2026.

If we receive more applications than there are vacancies, a secret ballot will be carried out. We will inform you closer to the time if we have to do this.

Paper copies of this document are available from the school office.

If you require more information then please contact Brockley Primary School's Chair of Governors, Mrs Linda Mosley: linda.mosley@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk or Mrs Caroline Rodgers Headteacher: headteacher@brockley.derbyshire.sch.uk

Friendships and Positive Relationships



Learning how to make and keep friendships is an important part of growing up. At Brockley, as a relational, restorative school, we place strong, positive relationships at the heart of everything we do.

For young children, friendships can change quickly and may sometimes include disagreements or worries. This is a normal part of learning. With support from adults, children learn how to talk about their feelings, use kind words, listen to others and make things better when friendships feel tricky. We see these moments as important chances for children to learn and grow.

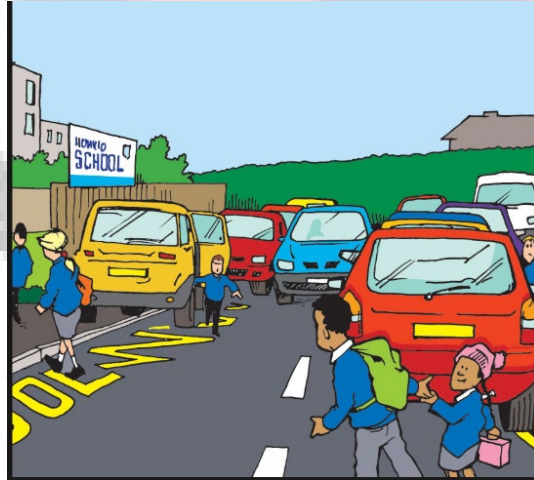
In school, adults help by modelling kindness and empathy, supporting children to talk about what has happened and guiding them to repair relationships in a calm and positive way. We help children think about how others might be feeling and what they can do next to move forward.

Families can support this learning at home by listening calmly, recognising how a child is feeling, avoiding blame and reassuring them that friendship problems are part of growing up. If a concern continues or is worrying your child, please contact school so we can support and work together to help resolve the situation.

By working together, we can help every child feel safe, valued and confident in building positive relationships with others.

#thebrockleyway

Driving and Parking Safely Around School



Keeping our children safe is everyone's responsibility, and this includes how we drive and park around school. The start and end of the school day can be very busy, with many children and families arriving and leaving at the same time.

We kindly ask all families to drive slowly, park considerately and follow parking restrictions around the school and surrounding roads. Please avoid stopping in unsafe places, blocking driveways or parking on zig-zags or crossings, as this can limit visibility and put children and families at risk.

One particular issue raised by families is cars turning in the road and mounting the kerb and pavement, whether intentional or accidental this puts families in danger.

Whenever possible, we encourage families to walk to school, park a little further away, or use active travel. These simple steps help to reduce congestion and create a calmer, safer environment for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support in helping us keep our school community safe.



OPAL Donations Request

We are currently looking for donations to support our OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) provision. These resources help enrich children's playtimes and promote creativity, cooperation and outdoor fun.

We would be grateful for donations of:

- Anything with wheels (bikes, scooters, pushchairs, boxes, etc.)
- Picnic tables and blankets
- Logs (for sitting on)
- Fancy dress items
- Cuddly toys
- Shuttlecocks
- Rackets
- Nets (football or tennis)
- Den-making items
- Digging items (such as soil or sand)

We are always thankful for any donations that help to promote positive outdoor play. If you have anything you think could be of interest, please let the school know.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Makory Tour 2026

The Makory tour for 2026 celebrates Derbyshire's innovators past and present whose curiosity, creativity, and courage have shaped how we live and make.

The programme will explore the county's rich history of invention and craftsmanship through a series of artist-led workshops, a pre-produced exhibition, and participatory events across Derbyshire between February and May 2026.

Drawing on themes of Experiment & Enlightenment, Industry & Innovation, and Community & Craft, The Makory connects audiences with the county's heritage of creative inquiry, industry, and collaboration. We are delighted to be part of the Bolsover celebration through art and dance.

Children in Y5 & Y6 have been invited to develop a dance to perform on the 16th May at the Giant Wheel event in Bolsover. On the 1st, 8th and 15th May in the afternoon children will rehearse alongside Autin Dance Theatre in preparation for the big show on the 16th May – we do hope the children and families will be able to take part (more details to follow) [Derbyshire Makes | Parade - The Giant Wheel](#)

Children in Y3 -6 will take part in the Makory bus visit on the 15th May (sadly Willerlsey Residential children will miss out)

Makory Tour Locations & Dates for 2026:

Belper Arts Trail – Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th May

Glossop – Friday 8th & Saturday 9th May

Bolsover Town Centre – School Friday 15th Festival – Saturday 16th May

Cresswell Craggs – Sunday 17th May

Hardwick Hall – Saturday 23rd May

The Makory Tour is part [Derbyshire Makes](#) – an exciting initiative utilising the Makory bus, our mobile makerspace, to engage local communities across Derbyshire in creative, hands-on activities.

[Makory Tour - Bolsover - Derby Museums | Derby Museums](#)





Welcoming

Excel Martial Arts Back to Brockley

We are delighted to welcome Excel Martial Arts back to Brockley on Thursday 30th April at 9:00am.

Lewis and the Excel Martial Arts team will be visiting our children to talk about what it means to have the best possible school year. Through an engaging session, they will explore shared values such as respect, resilience and positive attitudes, helping children reflect on how these qualities contribute to success both in school and beyond.

We are really looking forward to another inspiring visit and the positive impact it will have on our school community.



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MARTIAL ARTS

Further details about Lewis and his can be found by visiting [Sheffield MiniStrike Martial Arts | Excel Martial Arts](#)