

BROOK INFANT SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWSLETTER



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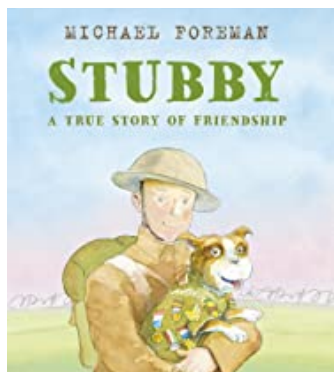
Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term 2020! We have had a fabulous start, the children have been so happy to be in club and it has been a pleasure to see them all.

We have been busy filling our collecting books with many different pieces of art work, from experimenting with charcoal and pastels to painting with vegetables and making plasticine woodland animals. Diwali has been very interesting, celebrating the Festival of Light by making candle wreaths and colourful ranglo patterns. Colour has also been a theme with bonfire night, creating firework pictures using glue, salt and applying coloured water with pipettes, which turned into a colour mixing experiment, messy but fun!



We also made our own bread rolls, using a packet mix and warm water, a lot of kneading, then they proved whilst waiting to be taken home to be baked, verdicts came back that they were delicious!

Using books helps us to create activities based on book themes, characters and stories, that will take the children of all ages on a journey. With Remembrance being our key theme, the books we will be using this term are:



Activities planned for Remembrance include, creating water colour poppies, writing and sending morse code messages using torches, and designing their own medals. Not only will we be looking at the above books but we will also be using resources from the Royal British Legion, including word searches and becoming an evacuee.

This then leads us into Christmas. Where all sorts of wrapping, writing and designing will be happening.

As always, as well as the planned activities listed above, we always have lots of outside play and games, as well as construction and crafts available for the children to enjoy.

Our New Telephone System

We have a new phone system now in place, which means we have our own land line in the hall, so no more crackly mobile! To contact us during opening times please call the school number 01293 886521 and follow the instructions. During the day, you will be directed to the school office.

Keeping our Children Safe

We have written an extensive risk assessment which covers all aspects of club life and meets with updated government advice and guidance on how to keep children in club as safe as possible during the current pandemic. Some of our measures include:

- All children use antibacterial hand gel on arrival into club, when they come into the hall from play and also before they leave to go home. As always, hand washing is undertaken before any food or drink.
- We are keeping schools separate in the school hall and are encouraging as much outside play as possible - please ensure your child has a coat as it's getting chilly!

- All toys and equipment are cleaned after each use with antibacterial spray and books are wiped down. Resources are never used twice without being thoroughly cleaned.
- Parents are reminded to wear a face covering on site and to drop off and collect children from the side hall door.
- Parents are asked not to enter the hall at any time and instead will be met by staff at the door. Club staff will now sign the children in and out of club, but the children can also do this if witnessed by a member of staff.
- If you need to chat to staff, please do this by email via brookclubbookings@brookinfant.school or telephone the school office on 01293 886521

Test and Trace

It is important that children and staff do not attend club or school if they have Covid-19 symptoms or have tested positive in the last 7 days. If anyone in club or school becomes unwell with a high temperature; a new, continuous dry cough; or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they will be sent home and advised to follow the stay at home guidance. They will be expected to be tested for Covid-19 – Follow this link to find out more about getting a test ... <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>. The NHS consider a high temperature to mean that they feel hot to touch on their chest or back, and in fact they state that they do not need their temperature taken, however, we will use non contact thermometers to help us in this situation. They consider a new and persistent cough to mean they are coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or they have three or more coughing episodes in 24 hours, or that an existing cough becomes worse than usual.

Finally the NHS state that a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal. In line with the guidance, we will NOT notify parents and carers when we have someone sent home with potential symptoms of Covid-19 as this potentially panics people for no reason. Instead, we will carefully follow the protocols given to us. However, if we have a confirmed case within the club or school; or if a member of staff or child has been with someone who has a confirmed case; or if we have information coming direct to us by 'Test and Trace' we will strictly follow the test and trace processes.

We will be in close contact with Public Health England and the National Institute for Health Protection so we are able to follow their procedures should they be necessary. When someone displays symptoms, that person needs to isolate with anyone they live with, along with anyone in their support bubble, until the person with the symptoms gets their test result. If the result is negative, everyone can return to normal. If the test is positive, the person with Covid-19 has to isolate for AT LEAST 10 days or until they feel better. The household must isolate for the full 14 days from when the symptoms first appeared in their family member.

If you are unsure of the guidance, please contact us so that we can advise you.

ASC and BFC dates for the second half of Spring Term 2021

The dates for the second half of the Spring Term 2021 will be made available to book from today.

All of our release dates are listed in this newsletter and copies are found on our website. Please email Caroline if you have any questions on:

brookclubbookings@brookinfant.school

Dates for your diary

Thursday 18th December 2020 - school closes at 1pm so no afterschool club

Friday 19th December 2020 - inset day, so no breakfast or after school club

Booking your session

To book your sessions or manage your account, please go to:

<https://brook.childcare-online-booking.co.uk/>

Our new website

We have launched our new school website. Remember you can now see all of our weekly planning, food menus, newsletters and terms of reference as well as book your sessions, please go to:

www.brookinfant.school

Booking dates for your diaries



Dates for each half term are released on the second Monday of the previous half term at 12 noon, so the dates are as follows:

- Second half of Spring Term 2020 - dates released on 11th January 2021 at 12 noon
- First half of Autumn Term 2020 - dates released on 1st March 2021 at 12 noon

Who is who in Club?

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Tina, BFC and ASC Assistant

Jenny, ASC Assistant



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