

Brookhurst Primary School Brookhurst Road Bromborough Wirral CH63 OEH Headteacher: Steve Williams



Dear Families

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of the Spring Term. We have packed so much into this shorter term. As a school we are making good progress toward our school development priorities and this has been validated by Julie Barlow (Senior School Adviser from Wirral LA). We still have much to do, but together we are going in the right direction. We are undertaking a complete overhaul of the geography and history curriculum and are being supported by a Specialist Leader of Education.

I would like to thank our very generous band of reading volunteers who come into school weekly to listen to the children and discuss the content of the text with them. This is becoming and national initiative and can I thank Mrs Parsonage for taking the lead on implementing this.

PTA School Disco: Thank you for supporting this event and I can assure you that the children had a marvellous time. We raised \pounds 354.70 from this event, which is tremendous! Can I remind you to place your orders on-line for items marking the King's Coronation. The deadline for returning your order is during the Easter break.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%. Foundation 2 = 97%, Year 1 = 98.6%, Year 2 = 94.5%, Year 3 = 96.9%, Year 4 = 98.7%, Year 5 = 95.7%, Year 6 = 95.7%. Overall school attendance 96.7%. Well done to Year 1 and 4 who achieved over 98%!!!

REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS.

'Magic Moments'

F2 – We have been having an 'eggcellent' time racing eggs on zip-lines. They have changed the variables and observed what happened. They also went on a treasure hunt that led them to an Easter treat once they had the message.

Year 1 – This week Year 1 have been looking at the Easter story and sequencing the events. They have designed their own houses and have built them in DT.

Year 2 – This week we went on a (virtual) trip to Northern Ireland in our geography lesson. We then wrote postcards showing our knowledge of the features that we had seen. We have also been showing our knowledge of the United Kingdom by participating in a quiz (working as a whole class team) and are enjoying the challenge of beating our scores.

Year 3 – This week, we have learnt how to create a branching database by using specific questioning to sort items. We used the programme J2data to help us create our branching database which some of us are going to try and do at home too. In history, we have learnt about the life of Julius Caesar and why he wanted to invade

Brittania. Leading up to Easter, we have enjoyed finding out more about the Easter story...Happy Easter everyone!

Year 4 – This week we have been exploring the Amazon Rainforest in our geography work. We have been presenting our understanding of the rainforest whilst focusing on animals, plants, people, climate and the sheer size of it. Did you know that you could fit 23 United Kingdoms in the Amazon Rainforest?

Year 5 – This week in Year 5 we have finished our history topic on Ancient Greece. To conclude our topic we have been thinking about the lasting legacy of Ancient Greece and how a civilisation from thousands of years ago impacts our daily life. We had a fantastic discussion and had to decide which legacy had the biggest impact on our individual lives.

Year 6 – This week Year 6 compared The Wirral with New York City as part of their geography unit of work. They were able to find lots of similarities such as underground rail systems, ferry systems, river and beaches. Year 6 also looked at how New York City utilises a grid system of roads whereas The Wirral's roads are built upon Roman roads and paths.

ECO Team: This week in our Eco Club we were continuing our work in the school garden, by clearing more space and planting onions alongside our potatoes. Mrs Armstrong has selected potato and onion varieties that we will be able to harvest before the end of the school year. We can't wait to see what grows!

PLEASE can you spare some time on **Saturday 22 April** to come to school and help spring clean our allotment area between 10.00am to 2.00pm. Even better if you can bring a wheelbarrow, spade and some some grit and determination. If you could spare an hour, it all helps.

Thank you all for your continued support and please can I wish you all a restful break and we look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Monday 17 April**.

Kind regards

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AND FINALLY......This afternoon our 'special visitor' arrived as The Easter Bunny. Organised by the PTA, the classes played games and each child was presented with s 'Sweet Treat' to bring home. A massive thank you to the PTA for creating another 'magic moment' for the children and staff. Photos will be uploaded onto Tapestry.

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