



**We're wearing red for**

Midlands Air Ambulance Charity



**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** we will be celebrating "Wear it Red day". Children can come to school wearing mufti as long as they are **wearing something red!** We ask for all those coming to school in mufti to support the air ambulance by donating!

We enjoyed a fantastic visit from the air ambulance last week and we'd love to raise some money for such a worthwhile cause!

**If you'd like to get more involved check out our in-school competition below!**

This half term why not **design a poster** with information all about the essential life saving service the **Midlands Air Ambulance Charity** offer to encourage other people to donate to this worthy cause.

There will be a **£1 entrance fee** (all proceeds to the air ambulance) and the winner will not only receive a prize, but their poster will be displayed on the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity website as well as in the school foyer, on the school Facebook page and hopefully in local libraries!

All entries to be handed to the front office or class teachers by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February with the winner to be announced the end of that week. Good luck everyone!

**IT'S COMPETITION TIME!**



Midlands Air Ambulance Charity

Please click on the following link to our Just Giving Page to donate your £1 for this life saving charity!

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/brook-primary-1706738296260?newPage=true>

The barrier to the front car park is currently broken and unfortunately not able to close at this present time - please do not park on the front car park - we need to keep these spaces for school visitors and keep our disabled spaces free.



### **Please be mindful**

Parents dropping children off at Buddies in the morning please be mindful of the speed you are travelling on and off the car park and on George Street- Unfortunately we have had complaints from neighbours!

Please be considerate and respect our local neighbours - we are really disappointed to again have not one, but a number of reports of parents blocking driveways and even being rude to the home owners when being asked to move their car to unblock their way on and off their drive.

Pupil achievements!



Well done to Savanna who has now received her helpful badger badge!

This is a great achievement Savanna - well done!



Well done to Priya who has just collected her 20 meter swim badge and certificate!

This is a brilliant achievement Priya - well done!



Well done to Queenie who has just achieved her Stanley 4 swimming award and certificate! This is a great achievement Queenie - well done!



Well done to Mia who has been awarded her Goldfish 1 swimming award and certificate!

This is a fab achievement Mia - well done!





ACE COACHING  
PRESENTS

# FEBRUARY HALF TERM FOOTBALL & INVASION GAMES

## WHEN

MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> -  
FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Open to boys & girls - Reception to Year 6  
Please enquire if your child is 4 years old as  
session times may differ.

(focusing on the sports Football, Dodgeball  
and Handball)

## WHERE

CRESTWOOD SCHOOL &  
6<sup>th</sup> Form, Bromley Lane,  
Kingswinford, DY6 8QG

## COST

ONLY £100 IF YOU BOOK ALL WEEK  
OR £25 PER DAY

## TIME

Each day 9.00am - 3.00pm

### ACE OFFER 1

Bookings & payments received by  
Monday 5th February will receive a

**£20 DISCOUNT!**

Offer only applies when booking  
a full week on an Ace Coaching  
football & invasion games  
course.

### ACE OFFER 2

Family & friends - Enrol two  
children for the week, bookings  
received by Monday 5th Feb

**FOR ONLY £130**

Offer only applies when booking a full week  
on an Ace Coaching football & invasion games  
course. Please note that the £20 discount in  
Ace offer 1 is not available to use in  
conjunction with Ace offer 2

### ACE OFFER 3

**£5 OFF**

when booking our Summer Term Football  
Development Course

Please call Ryan for more information.  
(offer only applies when booking a  
full Football Development  
Centre Course)

# Don't let your child catch it

– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

**Measles symptoms include:** high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

**The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.**

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. **STAY AWAY** from GP surgeries and A&E departments – you could spread the illness to others.

## Half-term **MMR** vaccine clinics

**Measles is spreading fast.**  
**Has your child had both  
of their MMR vaccines?**

**Free pop-up clinics to vaccinate  
against measles, mumps and rubella  
are taking place during half-term.**

For children over one-year-old who are due or who have missed either dose. Adults up to the age of 25 are also invited.

**Measles is highly infectious and can lead to serious health complications. The MMR is safe and effective.**

Sat 10 Feb	10am-3pm	Mary Stevens Park, Stourbridge DY8 2AA
Tue 13 Feb	9am-2pm	War Memorial, Lye DY9 8LF
Tue 13 Feb	9am-3pm	Tesco, Fox Oak Street, Cradley Heath B64 5DF
Fri 16 Feb	9am-2pm	Dudley Market Place, High Street DY1 1PQ
Sat 17 Feb	10am-3pm	Halesowen Town Centre, Somers Square B63 3AE

### **Book your appointment**

**Call Vaccination UK on 01384 431712  
or just turn up on the day.**

If you can, bring your child's red book

*A gelatine-free vaccine is available on request*



More details on measles, the MMR vaccine  
and other pop-up clinics in the Black Country  
at [www.blackcountry.icb.nhs.uk/measles](http://www.blackcountry.icb.nhs.uk/measles)





# BLACK COUNTRY DIALECT PROJECT

**Your family is invited to take part in research about the Black Country dialect**



We want to learn more about how the Black Country dialect is learnt and used by adults and children

Your child and your family will work with a trained researcher to make recordings of conversations at home and at school



We will reward your child for participation with small gifts and certificates, and you'll be helping us learn more about this historic dialect



**If you are interested and have a child in Reception, Year 2 or Year 4, then visit: [www.tinyurl.com/bc-dialect-project](http://www.tinyurl.com/bc-dialect-project)**



We have very kindly been given a 10% off code to share with our school community for the popular 'Big Bounce' event that is taking place during the February half term in Stourbridge!

Head over to their website [www.BigBounceEvents.co.uk](http://www.BigBounceEvents.co.uk) and enter the discount code "**SCH10**" at checkout to save 10%!



Children's Mental Health Week 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024

The theme is 'My Voice Matters'

We should be talking and supporting good mental health and wellbeing all day everyday – not only for the children but for ourselves!

My Voice Matters is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves.

As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health.

This year, we want to empower children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing. Our aim is for Children's Mental Health Week, we want all children and young people to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters."

This year you can find a number of resources and activities for home – following the link below, where you can find top tips, activities, videos to watch and much more. Please support Children's Mental Health Week.

[Families - Children's Mental Health Week \(childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk\)](http://childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

## Spelling Shed

Well done to the top spellers in each class for the past 7 days!

The top class of the week is... **4HD** - Well done!

1R	-
1W	Avy
2C	Erin
2T	Zachary
3	Sophia
3	Harry
4D	Jensen
4F	Ebonie
5I	Bailey
5P	Kaylon
6HT	Leah
6AH	-



Our Year 2 children have had the opportunity to watch our little visitors hatch and grow over the past few weeks!

The children were able to have a hold of them before they leave us for their new home next week!

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

### Do you know anybody?

We are recruiting for a new site manager here at Brook!

This is a fantastic opportunity and would encourage anyone who would like to take on a new, exciting position in school to apply.

[Site Manager job with Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council | 186627 \(wmjobs.co.uk\)](http://www.wmjobs.co.uk)

Attendance:  
22/01/24–26/01/24

4D were the highest attendees in KS2 and RecD were the highest in KS1.

Well Done!

Rec D	97.50%
Rec B	84.78%
1R	92%
1W	97%
2C	97%
2T	97.14%
3B	95%
3MH	93.67%
4D	99.29%
4F	92.96%
5I	96.67%
5P	96.55%
6AH	94%
6HT	94.67%
School Total	<b>93.97%</b>
Target	97%



## Brook Buddies



Brook Buddies runs every morning and evening. Why not join us for breakfast or some after school fun? Our session times & prices are below:

### Breakfast club:

8:00am-8:45am - £3.50

### Afterschool club:

Half session 3:20pm-4:45pm - £5.25

Full session 3:20pm-5:45pm - £8.00

**All bookings must be made by Thursday of the week before you require childcare.**

### **Please note: (Summary from Brook School policy)**

Parents should collect their child promptly at the end of a session

otherwise you will be charged a fee of **£10.00** to cover staff costs if they are **more than 10 minutes late**. If this situation arises more than three times in one term, their child's place at Brook Buddies may be forfeited!

### **Buddies parents please note:**

If you need an emergency place—this needs be paid on Parent Pay no later than 3pm.