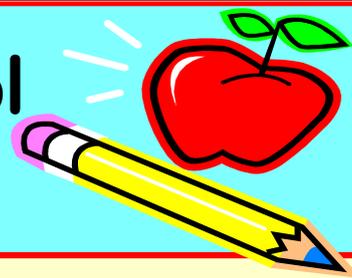


The Brook School and Nursery



Tel: - 01293 886521

HI ALL,

The countdown to Christmas begins so be prepared...

FOIL TRAYS

Please can all trays be returned by Monday 27th November ready to be priced before the fair. Thank you.

BAD HAIR DAY

Don't forget that your child can come to school next Friday 24th in their own clothes and bad mad hair with a donation of a mum's present (or for a female relative).

CHRISTMAS FAIR

It's our annual Christmas Fair on Saturday 2nd December from 12.00 to 3.00pm. It takes place at Maidenbower Junior School and Maidenbower Infant School. You can meet Santa, find a present in the secrets room, make your own reindeer food and much much more. So please pop along and support all 3 Maidenbower schools.

The Friends are looking for helpers for the fair. Even if you can only spare an hour, please get in touch with them on pta@brook.w-sussex.sch.uk or put a note in the Friends red post box in the office reception area. Thank you.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE



We will be holding our annual Lighting of the Christmas Tree on Monday 4th December at 6.00pm. We will be selling refreshments including mulled wine and flashing toys. We have some Christmas songs for you all to join in with so please do come and join us. It really is a very special evening. Wrap up warm though!

GIVE AS YOU EARN SCHEME

Some companies have a 'give as you earn' scheme where they will match any donations an employer makes to that charity. It may be that your employer offers this scheme and is able to support us in raising money for the school.

CHRISTMAS PLAY



Our Christmas play this year is 'Children of The World'. It generally lasts about an hour. We have our dress rehearsal on Monday 4th December at 9.15, tickets will be available from the office from 28th November. We welcome all little ones, grannies and grandads, aunts and uncles to come and see this show. We also have Maidenbower Juniors coming over to this show as well.

Tickets will come home for each performance on Monday 27th November. It is two tickets per family and not per parent or per child. If you cannot attend on your designated ticket day then we are able to swap tickets from Tuesday 28th November. Year 2 and Nursery get a choice of two shows and we ask that you return your preference form as soon as possible. Once all tickets have gone out and people have had a chance to swap we will then send a text home advertising all spare tickets for each show. The dress rehearsal has spare tickets already and you can come and get extra of these from Tuesday 28th November.

CRECHE

We run a creche for the main shows. We only allow younger siblings and babies into the dress rehearsal and ask that you make alternative arrangements for little ones. Our creche is dependent on the number of helpers we have and in the case that we have no help, we will inform you the creche that day is cancelled. If you want to book your child into the creche please return the letter sent home. If your child is using the creche please send them with a drink and a snack. Please be aware that if you haven't booked into the creche and you turn up with your little one, you will not be able to go into the show or use the creche. If you can help in the creche please return the form sent home this week or phone the office.

PANTO

Please remember to return your child's permission slip to go to the panto as soon as possible. Thank you.

There's more on the back.....

APPOINTMENTS

Please can we ask that you make all appointments for children (dentist, doctors etc) outside of school hours. Thank you.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our Christmas lunch will be on Friday 15th December. You don't need to do anything for this as we order extra.

FRIENDS OF THE BROOK

The Friends of The Brook are our Parent and Teacher Association who raise money for The Brook. All parents from both school and nursery are invited to join and we are looking to recruit new members this year. Please email pta@brook.w-sussex.sch.uk if you are interested. Thank you.

The Friends upcoming events:

Saturday 2nd December 2017 - Christmas Fair at Maidenbower Junior school 12.00 to 3.00pm

Monday 4th December - Christmas tree lighting - 6.00 to 6.45pm.

The Friends are always pleased to hear from you with suggestions for money raising events or offers of help, so please get in touch with them pta@brook.w-sussex.sch.uk or put a note in the Friends red post box in the office reception area.

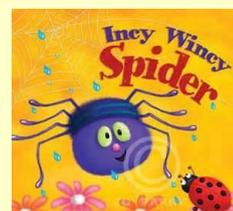
SPRINGBOARD

Springboard is an inclusive and accessible children's play centre based at 74 Stagelands, Langley Green, Crawley. It has a soft play area, sensory room and garden. It is open Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm. Why not give it a visit after school one day.



DIARY DATES

23.11.17 - Badgers swimming
 24.11.17 - Bad Hair Day
 27.11.17 - Play tickets go out
 30.11.17 - Badgers swimming
 02.12.17 - Christmas Fair at the juniors 12.00 - 3.00
 04.12.17 - Dress rehearsal for Christmas play 9.15
 04.12.17 - Lighting of the Christmas Tree 6.00pm
 05.12.17 - Christmas play 9.15 - Reception parents & DVD being made
 06.12.17 - Christmas play at 9.15 - Y1 parents
 07.12.17 - Badgers swimming
 07.12.17 - Christmas play at 1.30 - Y2 & Nursery
 08.12.17 - Christmas play at 9.15 - Y2 & Nursery
 08.12.17 - Celebration assembly at 2.20pm
 11.12.17 - Open afternoon 3.00 - 4.00pm
13.12.17 - Trip to the panto at The Hawth for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
 14.12.17 - Badgers swimming
15.12.17 - Christmas lunch
 19.12.17 - Party day
 20.12.17 - break up for Christmas holidays at 3.00pm
 04.01.18 - School and Nursery start
 09.02.18 - SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED FOR HALF TERM AT 3.00PM
 19.02.18 - School & Nursery starts
 28.02.18 - Parents evening 3.20 - 7.00pm
 01.03.18 - Parents evening 3.20 to 5.30pm
 26.03.18 - OPEN AFTERNOON 3.00 to 4.00pm
 29.03.18 - SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED FOR EASTER BREAK AT 3.00PM
 16.04.18 - School and nursery starts
 03.05.18 - School & Nursery closed for Polling.
 25.05.18 - SCHOOL AND NURSERY CLOSED FOR HALF TERM AT 3.00PM
 04.06.18 - School closed for Inset
 05.06.18 - School & Nursery starts
15.06.18 - Sports morning
 11.06.18 - Phonics screening week for Year 1
22.06.18 - back up sports morning if weather bad
 06.07.18 - Reports go out
 19.07.18 - Party day
 20.07.18 - School and Nursery break up for Summer



TALKING TIP - Singing songs and nursery rhymes has been shown to greatly improve children's reading skills so turn up your favourite tunes and have a sing a long! Nursery rhymes to sing along to - Incy Wincy Spider, Jack and Jill, Humpty Dumpty, Wee Willy Winky, Twinkle Twinkle. And why not try changing the words to your favourite ones - Baa Baa green cow, have you any milk or Twinkle Twinkle chocolate bar. Happy singing!!!!

The Brook

NEWSLETTER FEEDBACK

Please feel free to write any comments about either the newsletter or other areas relating to school below. We really do value your feedback.

Child's Name: Class:.....

Signed..... Date.....