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# **Brownlow Fold Newsletter**



Together we fly

# **Key Dates**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January – Police visit Nursery

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January – Police visit Reception

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January – Year 4 Hall 'i'th Wood Trip

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January – KS2 Virtual Reality Day

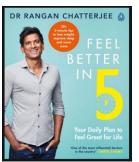


# Star of the week

Every week staff choose 'Stars of the week' from every class. This may be because they have been working extremely hard, demonstrating excellent manners or they have tried their best. Can your child explain to you why they have been chosen to be the 'Star of the week?'

Class	Pupil/s
Bees	Kaylah
Birds	Khadijah
Reception	Anamta
Year One	Hammad
Year Two	Zainab
Year Three	Faatimah
Year Four	Amaya
Year Five	Muhammad Rayyan
Year Six	Muskan Bax

## Note from the Head teacher



The 4 corners of me



Years 5 and 6 have been learning about resilience and how simple changes can help us manage our feelings and emotions. A great book to read for adults is the Dr Rangan Chatterjee 'Feel Better in 5'

# Metacognition and self-questioning

Metacognition can be enhanced if pupils know how to talk to themselves in a helpful and constructive way. Asking yourself good questions is one way to encourage this. One fascinating study looked at this by dividing participants into two groups. One group asked themselves questions ("Will I do well?"), whilst the other gave themselves declarations ("I will do well"). When these groups were then faced with a set of challenging anagrams, the group who had asked themselves questions answered significantly more than their peers in the other group. So what are the best questions to ask yourself?

Here are our top 5:

- 1. What do I need to do first?
- 2. Why is this true?
- 3. How can I get better?
- 4. Who can I ask for help?
- 5. Where do I do my best work?



#TeamExcluSec helps @brownlowfold school to become 'rescue ready' by funding a defibrillator and training package with @HandonHeart.

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## A rich vocabulary is crucial to your child's success at school.

#### It helps your child understand what other people are saying and what she/he is reading

Vocabulary is the foundation for comprehension. Unfamiliar words become holes in the text, preventing your child from completely understanding what he or she has just read.

#### It bolsters their ability to grasp ideas and think more logically

The greater number of words your child has, the more he or she can interpret ideas from others, and express their own ideas.

#### It boosts your child's power of persuasion

Having a rich vocabulary will help your child communicate in a more engaging way. Relying on one or two words to describe an idea will be repetitive and not as persuasive, as relying on a vocabulary of 10-15 similarly descriptive terms.

#### It helps your child make a good impression on others

How articulate your child is constitutes a big part of the impression she or he makes on others.

#### It gives your child the ability to say what he or she means

By having several words at their disposal for describing an event or emotion, they can be explicit when sharing their ideas and opinions.

#### **Climate Change**

10,000 years ago there were no cars, planes, buses, trains or motorbikes. There was no electricity – no TVs, electric lights, fridges, microwaves, washing machines, computers, mobile phones (imagine that – no computers or mobile phones!), central heating, factories, power stations and so on. Things stayed like this for thousands of years. Humans used horses and oxen for farming and transport.

**1700s:** Then humans invented more complicated machines, which needed some sort of energy to power them. Coal, oil and natural gas (fossil fuels) were discovered underground.

**1800s to present day:** Then came electricity and the combustion engine. These both involved burning fossil fuels, which created energy for electricity and the machines, such as cars. Since their invention, industry and technology have improved rapidly, increasing the amount of power used in transport, manufacturing (making things in factories) and electricity. The population (number of people) of the world has also increased dramatically, which means even more people use transport, manufactured goods and electricity.

# **Attendance and Punctuality**



Ofsted say:		
Attendance	Judgement	
Above 96%	High	
95.1% - 96%	Above Average	
94% - 95%	Average	
Below 94%	Low	

Brownlow Fold Attendance Target	95.5%
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Class	
Reception	93%
Year One	98.7%
Year Two	99.6%
Year Three	96%
Year Four	97%
Year Five	97.9%
Year Six	99.4%



#### **Real or Fake**

Facebook has announced a new policy banning all artificial intelligence (AI) created videos that are likely to mislead viewers into thinking someone said words that they didn't actually say. The new policy will mean that all videos that have been edited in ways that are likely mislead someone into thinking that a person in a video said words that they didn't really say, or, if people or objects are placed onto a video, making them appear to be real, will be removed from both Facebook and Instagram.

### Things to talk about at home...

Do you think there are some websites you can trust more than others (e.g. news websites or social media platforms)?

Do you think Facebook have made the right decision to remove videos that they know are fake?

Do you think it will be difficult to tell if the videos are real or fake?

# British Values

20th-26th January

### Individual Liberty

When online, we may watch or read different information. It's important for us to be aware that not everything we see is true. We must be sure to think carefully and check where the information has come from.

