



The Westbrook Trust
Achieve together

The Westbrook Trust

C/o Brompton-Westbrook Primary School, Kings Bastion, Brompton, Gillingham, Kent ME7 5DQ

The Westbrook Trust Newsletter to Parents and Carers Term 1

It is with great excitement that I write my first newsletter to parents and carers. My aim is that this termly newsletter gives parents and carers the opportunity to find out more about our Trust and what being part of it means for all of our children and families in all three schools. We are proud of the success and individuality of each of our schools and the contribution that they all make to improving and supporting our Trust as a whole. It is a privilege for me to be able to work across all three schools and ensure that we all 'achieve together'. The children I have spoken to so far this term have told me how well they have settled in to their new classes and what they are looking forward to over the coming weeks. I hope to also get the opportunity to meet with some of you at the parent consultations scheduled later on this term at each school.

Oliver Allen

Chief Executive Officer | Director of Learning The Westbrook Trust



Our Priorities

Our overall aim is to achieve together the best possible outcomes for all to improve their futures. A summary of our priorities for this year are below. All of our schools contribute to meeting our priorities so that all of our pupils experience the benefits. I will give further information about what we are doing and the impact it has had over the year in later newsletters.

- ***Achieve together so that all pupils are extremely well-prepared for the next stage of their education in all subjects***
- ***Communicate with all stakeholders regularly so that everyone in all of our schools know how we are all***



Opportunities have been planned over the year for teachers from across our three schools to support each other in targeted areas. This will enable expertise to be shared to support school improvement and is a strong example of our commitment to achieve together. This may mean that your children are taught by or see some of the people below in school due to these planned opportunities: -

- Mr Lock (Byron) providing support for music at St. Margaret's and Brompton-Westbrook
- Mrs Dawson (Byron) providing support for RE at St. Margaret's
- Mrs Hodges (St. Margaret's) providing teacher development support at Byron
- Mrs Prentice (Brompton-Westbrook) providing support for SEND at Byron
- Mrs Lewis (Brompton-Westbrook) providing support for EYFS at St. Margaret's
- Curriculum leaders at all schools working together to further improve the quality of our curriculum provision



The Westbrook Trust
Achieve together

The Westbrook Trust

C/o Brompton-Westbrook Primary School, Kings Bastion, Brompton, Gillingham, Kent ME7 5DQ

'Memory and Poetry go together, absolutely. It is a matter of preserving and of remembering things.' Lisel Mueller

Poetry Together

During the week commencing 14th October, I am really excited to have the opportunity to work with Year 2 in each school to engage with the 'Poetry Together' project. The aim is to bring groups of school children and groups of elderly people together to perform a poem they have learnt by heart. We hope this will be a great opportunity for all schools to take part in a shared project and also engage with their local communities. There is also evidence that shows the potential benefits for people both young and old of learning poetry by heart. More information about the project can be found at <https://www.poetrytogether.com/>.

I hope to be able to share some learning from the projects at the parent consultation meetings later this term and also in next term's newsletter.



Good News

Pupil Results Congratulations to all of our pupils for their performance in the 2019 end of year assessments. Please see below for the headline figures as an average across our schools (national average figure in brackets). These results show the impact of the hard work that is put in across each school over the year.

- In reception, 72% of our children achieved a Good Level of Development (72%)
- In Year 1, 86% of our children passed their phonics screening (82%)
- In Year 2, 78% of our children achieved the expected standard in reading (75%), 72% of our children achieved the expected standard in writing (70%) and 80% of our children achieved the expected standard in maths (76%)
- In Year 6, 71% of our children achieved the expected standard in reading (73%), 85% of our children achieved the expected standard in writing (78%) and 75% of our children achieved the expected standard in maths (79%)

Secondment Many congratulations to Mrs Millward (Year 2 teacher at Brompton-Westbrook) who was successfully seconded for a year to a Deputy Head Teacher Role within another Trust. We wish her every success in her role this year and look forward to welcoming her back to our Trust next year.

Celebration Many congratulations to Mrs Johnson, Mrs Kelly (both Brompton-Westbrook) and Mrs Johnston (St.Margaret's Infants) who all got married over the summer holiday.

To request a paper copy of this newsletter, please ask the school office. For any feedback about this newsletter or any suggestions for the next edition, please contact the central team at office@thewestbrooktrust.org

To find out more information, please visit the Trust website: www.thewestbrooktrust.org.uk

Follow us on Twitter: @WestbrookTrust



The Westbrook Trust
Achieve together