

## Brackenwood Junior School Learning for Life



Headteacher: Miss R Fry

Dear Parents, Carers, and Members of our School Community,

As we reach the end of the Spring Term, I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and involvement in school life. It's been another busy and rewarding term filled with fantastic achievements, community spirit, and proud moments.

Across the school, it's been a joy to see how enthusiastically pupils have engaged in their learning. Their curiosity, creativity, and positive attitudes continue to shine through every day.

A highlight for Year 3 was their Viking Day, where they stepped into the shoes of Viking settlers, reenacting daily life and handling replica artefacts. Their enthusiasm and knowledge really brought the past to life!

Our cross-country team did an amazing job representing the school in recent competitions – showing great resilience, teamwork, and determination. We're so proud of how they supported one another and gave their best.

The Rock Steady Band also wowed us this term with their performance to families. Their confidence and musical growth were brilliant to see – and the smiles in the audience said it all!

Year 4 have had special opportunities to visit Bebington Nursing Home, where their conversations, songs, and companionship brought joy and warmth to the elderly residents. Staff at the home praised their kindness and maturity – a true credit to the school.

Meanwhile, Year 6 channelled their baking talents to raise money for Claire House, showing real compassion and teamwork. Their delicious efforts helped raise funds for a local charity that's close to many of our hearts – well done to all involved.

This term also saw us get into the groove as we celebrated 40 years of Comic Relief, with pupils (and staff!) dressing up in style from the 80s, 90s, and 00s. The school was a riot of colour and retro fun, all in support of a great cause.

World Book Day was another huge success! Pupils celebrated their love of reading with fantastic costumes and a day full of book-themed activities. A very special thank you to Isaac's mum, who gave up her time to run inspiring illustration and art workshops – the children absolutely loved them, and it was a wonderful way to celebrate creativity and the power of stories.

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We were also delighted to welcome so many of you into school during STEM Week. Your involvement in lessons made the week extra special, and we're truly grateful to the parents who shared their time and careers with our pupils – inspiring the next generation of scientists, engineers, and inventors! Well done Year 5 who took part in many careers webinars this Spring Term. Your questioning and curiosity lead the way to inspire others to start considering careers and prospects ahead.

I just wanted to express my gratitude to Jen Hayes and Sunbelt Rentals Ltd for your incredibly generous donation of £500 towards our school's playground project. Your support means so much to us, and it will make a real difference to the children. We're so thankful for your kindness and willingness to invest in something that brings joy, fun, and active play to their everyday lives. Your generosity is truly appreciated.

Finally, as we look ahead, preparations are underway for our Summer Fair, and we'd love your help to make it a success. If you can volunteer a little of your time, please sign up using the link below:



## Summer Fair Volunteer Sign-Up Sheet

If you're unsure how to use the Google Sheet, no problem – just email the school office and we'll be happy to add your name for you.

Thank you once again for all your support, involvement, and enthusiasm this term. We are so lucky to have such a caring, vibrant school community. Wishing you and your families a restful, joyful, and very well-deserved Easter break.

Warmest wishes.

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