

## This Week:

In assembly this week, we have been thinking about our Brookland Value of Caring, discussing what helps us to be the best we can be and learning about Rosh Hashanah. Thank you to everyone who shared their family traditions and faith with the whole school today. Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend meet the teachers evenings this week and for all your positive comments about the start of the year and the new catering company, Olive.

We have had a super week with everyone working hard and putting their Brookland Learning Skills into action:



We have enjoyed some down time to relax as well





### Also this week:

Year 4 have been studying a new class book this week called The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad. The story is based on a young girl who makes a big decision to wear a beautiful hijab as blue as the ocean. We have been studying her characteristics and how she must feel when she was being bullied because of her religion. This book has taught us to respect everyone no matter their differences. Myla and Aish 4R



### **Exciting News**:

We are very fortunate to have been awarded an £11 000 grant this academic year from BEYOND, a mental health charity, who were so impressed with our whole school focus on mental health and wellbeing that they offered us a fully funded learning mentor for the year! We'd like to introduce Kimberley from the BASE (Body and Soul Education) team to our school. Kimberley will be with us one day each week to provide ongoing mentoring and support for a range of pupils. She will be introducing herself in a whole school assembly soon. As part of the funding, Kimberley and her team at BASE will be holding some parent workshops, a morning club and additional staff training. We are incredibly grateful to BEYOND and BASE for this opportunity to continue to build upon our work in supporting our school community.



Next Week:

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October: Food Bank Action assembly

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October:** Year 6 visit to Lincolnsfield Centre.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 9:00-10:00am:** Maths morning for year 3 & 4 parents. Please see flyer attached from Miss Lally

**Further Ahead**:

Please see attached calendar for the dates and events for the term so far



#### **Illnesses and absence:**

#### https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

15<sup>th</sup> September 2023

This NHS link is a really helpful overview of advice for different childhood illnesses including when to keep your child off school and when they should continue to come to school. We have reminded all the children in assembly about washing hands, using tissues and covering your mouth when coughing and we will make sure our rooms are as well ventilated as we can to help keep everyone healthy.

There are members of our school community who are more vulnerable and being informed of what illnesses are in our community helps us to keep them safe and monitor any patterns across the school.

If your child is unwell, please let the office know what their illness or symptoms are, particularly if they have or may have a virus such as chickenpox, norovirus, covid-19, rhinovirus (common cold symptoms). Mrs Lake is the main contact point for all attendance and medical matters and can be contacted by phone 02083466937 or by emailwelfare@brooklandjnr.barnetmail.net

#### So many pieces of Big Writing were awarded Gold Star today. Here are a few extracts:

I am Poem

I am trustworthy & energetic.

I wonder if I can change the world

I hear stars twinkling in the atmosphere.

I see shimmering shooting stars travelling at the speed of light.

I want an effect on the world.

James 4S

#### I am Poem:

I am magnificently determined & calmly caring. I wonder if I could fly up high in the mighty bright sky. I hear gigantic oak trees immensely rustling in the deep dark sky. I see adventurous journey in my life. I want mammoth changes in my world. I am magnificently determined and calmly caring. Ali 4S

"An old abandoned, narrow, dull place that was coated in snow and filled with shadowy spots that were uninhabitable, with a bit of a cobbled street, had only one person that was known as Alma." Joori 6D

"Rooftops covered in powdered ceramic white snow sat comfortably whilst the rain swiftly drizzled from the fluffy cotton candy clouds. The narrow abandoned dull alley way with small footsteps in the snow saw a girl." Andy 6D

"Walking quietly in the distance, I noticed birds were singing and calling. I looked down at the shimmering blue, shiny water rippling down peacefully. I heard the leaves rustling and the branches creaking in dark dank woods. When I look in the shimmering water, I see my shiny reflection. The sweet smelling fruit at the top of the tree smelt so good, I wanted to eat it." Isla 3G



## Parking:

Thank you to the majority of our parents who walk, scoot or cycle some or all of the way to school or use public transport. Our travel to school link on our website can support you with efficient travel to school. <u>Walking to School</u> and Car Parking | Brookland Junior School. Thank you to the vast majority of those who need to drive for always parking and driving safely and with consideration for our local residents. Please remind anyone new to our school run that they are setting an example to all our children that the parking people are to stop cars parking and to keep our children safe. Traffic accidents in London are the biggest cause of child injury and death.

# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

# PERIOD: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Class	3B	3 <i>G</i>	ЗНD	4K	4R	45
ATTENDANCE%	95.86%	99.31%	97.14%	94.0%	96.0%	97.24%
PUNCTUALITY%	98.97%	99.31%	98.93%	98.33%	97.67%	98.97%

Class	5A	5AM	5E	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	94.0%	<mark>100%</mark>	97.67%	93.45%	97.86%	99.29%	96.80%
PUNCTUALITY%	97.67%	99.67%	99.0%	98.97%	97.86%	<mark>100%</mark>	98.86%

Well done to **5AM** for having 100% attendance this week.

Congratulations to 6P for having 100% punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake