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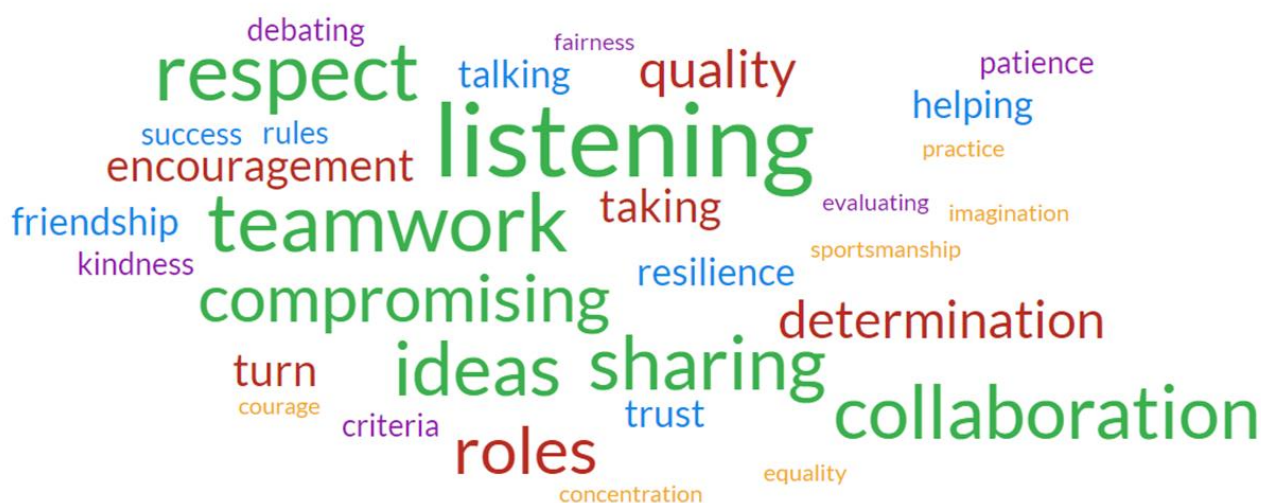


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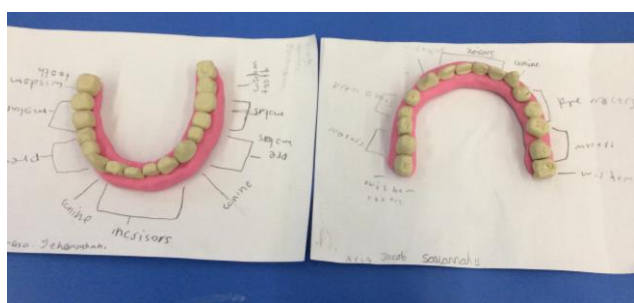
This Week:

Happy New Year! I hope you had a healthy and happy break, the chance to catch up with family and friends and maybe a good book! In assemblies this week we focused on our Brookland Value of Honesty and our Picture News assembly focused on emojis; how they can express our feelings and one boy's campaign to change the glasses emoji so it better represents people with glasses.

We have been focusing in our staff training recently on researching the most successful collaborative learning strategies. We asked all the children in our Whole School Meeting, what makes successful learning in a group? I thought you might like to see the fascinating and thoughtful minutes of their meeting in word cloud format.



We have had a super first week back with Brookland Learning Skills straight into action across all 10 subjects! Year 3 have particularly enjoyed making moving book pages in DT and developing their dance moves. Year 4 have been creating teeth!



"We have been creating teeth. We have made these plastic gum pieces out of plasticene to show the upper jaw of adult teeth. We found out there are 32 adult teeth and 20 child teeth. Did you know, the root of your canine goes up nearly to your eye. Your molars are used to crush and tear food and the incisors are to bite and tear pieces off. It was a 3 person effort to make the models and it was quite hard to shape it. We enjoyed doing it and the model will help us remember." Josh and Guy 4R

"On the 11 of January, The Girls' Football Team had a football tournament. We started with two friendlies. Sirine made some goalie saves. Then it became the competition. We played 4 games. We won our first one 4:0, second one we won 1:0, the third one we won 1:0 and finally we drew. Mr Khan was told if we got into the quarter finals and we did. Sadly we lost 1:0 against Christ's Church but all in all we did great." Noa 5A



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School Meals update for packed lunch children

Following the news that the Mayor of London will continue to fund free school lunches for Key Stage 2 pupils for a further year, we wanted to celebrate and encourage even more of our children to take up this offer. Olive catering are doing a great job and the 290 children having hot meals each day are enjoying tasty and healthy food. On Thursday 18th January, Olive will be preparing enough lunch for all 360 of our children. If your child currently has packed lunch, you can have a day off the preparation and ask them to try a school meal instead or you can still send them with a packed lunch and encourage them to also try a taster of school lunches. I will explain this to the children in assembly on Monday as well. Thursday is also a school census day and the more children who have school lunch the better for our school funding.

End of the Day Arrangements:

Please let Mrs Bikdeli (farnoush@brooklandjnr.barnetmail.net) or your class teacher know if your child's end of the day arrangements are changed so we can adjust our records accordingly.

Staff news:

This week, we thanked Mrs Warman for her super teaching across the school over the last year and wished her every happiness with her new baby. We also welcomed back Mrs Alam following her maternity leave.

Golden Sentences in Big Writing this week:

"Long ago there was a brave, talented and fierce man called Robin Hood. He was very kind until, when some rich people stole from him, he decided he would steal from the rich and give it to the poor. He had friends called Little John, Friar Tuck & Will Scarlet. He made a cunning plan and told his friends about it." Buse 3G

"Patriotic Agent Becket knew what he had to do. He knew what was going to happen to him. He knew that the pigeon was going to rise." Arad 6D

"Yesterday the most astonishing thing happened. You probably won't believe me. I was out fishing at around 20:36; and I remember that because I caught a 2 foot 4 inches cod. I felt overjoyed as I rolled it up to put it in the small basket. I was hyperventilating when I admired the stupendous fish. I was stunned. I reeled the hook back into the water but I felt a tiny tingling feeling in the back of my hand. I knew that something wasn't right but I couldn't figure out what. I looked around, trying to think about what was going on and that was when it struck me. I realised that I was being watched. I noticed a towering figure in an inhospitable area." Benji 6P

"Suddenly the sky turned dark, lightning striking. The 2 circular headlamps came closer, closer and closer. After a few seconds a huge black shadow figure appears. Tall as a house and head the shape of a dustbin, big as a bedroom. I quickly panicked. I tried to stand still so he would think I was just an animal. But that did not happen...." Yousuf 6D

"It emerged from the water revealing its gigantic torso- petrifying me. It had a head as large as a bedroom, a torso bigger than a house, legs as long as at least five limos! I scrambled around and threw everything into my bag and sprinted home. I had just seen The Iron Man....." Nakiya 6L

"When I got home I was quivering, breathless and anxious. What would happen next? So I slammed the door open like a showman, and my sister actually clapped! I poured out what had happened today like a water bucket. My mum went white! I liked how that happened, all the colour in her face disappearing.. My sister on the brink of tears. My daddy's face slowly lost all colour, then it turned pink then red, then puce. Mammy took my sister upstairs, then Daddy took his double barrelled shot gun and barged out of the door." Nimi 6D



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First Aid Workshops for Children 15th-18th January 2024:

We have booked a series of children's first aid workshops for each class as an important life skill and as part of our PSHE curriculum. The workshops will be led by Mini First Aid and will be tailored to the age of each class. Topics include CPR, choking, recovery position, getting emergency help and day to day injuries such as burns and bleeds. Most importantly, children will all know how to phone emergency services and how to alert an adult that help is needed. Each child will receive a certificate for completing the workshop.

To fund this valuable workshop, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £4.50 per child. This will be on your school money account. I am sure you will agree this is a great opportunity to learn a life skill which could be needed at home or school.



Message from Barnet about Dr Bike:

Due to the success of the Dr Bikes in December in Barnet's car parks, particularly among parents/carers and children, there has been demand to continue these into the new year. I can therefore announce we will continue to run these through January, February and March at the following locations/dates/times on a rotating basis each month:

Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	10/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	17/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	24/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	31/01/2024	4pm to 7pm
Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	07/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	14/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	21/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	28/02/2024	4pm to 7pm
Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	06/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs outside Middlesex University opposite Babington Rd NW4 4BT	13/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	20/03/2024	4pm to 7pm
Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	27/03/2024	4pm to 7pm

The free Dr Bike sessions will be run by qualified bicycle mechanics. Members of the public can take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, which includes the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required, all for free.





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Next Week:

Week of 15th January: Mini First Aid workshops for all classes

Tuesday 16th January 3pm: Girls Football team match away v Chalgrove

Further Ahead:

Please see the calendar attached.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 8th January - Friday 12th January

Class	3B	3G	3HD	4K	4R	4S
ATTENDANCE%	90.18%	93.53%	93.75%	97.18%	100%	95.83%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.43%	97.41%	98.66%	96.77%	98.75%	96.25%

Class	5A	5AM	5E	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	98.75%	97.50%	96.12%	94.58%	97.50%	90.63%	95.54%
PUNCTUALITY%	98.75%	98.33%	100%	96.67%	96.67%	95.98%	97.56%

Well done to **4R** for having 100% attendance this week.

Congratulations to **5E** for having 100% punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake