



Brookland Junior School News



01st December 2023

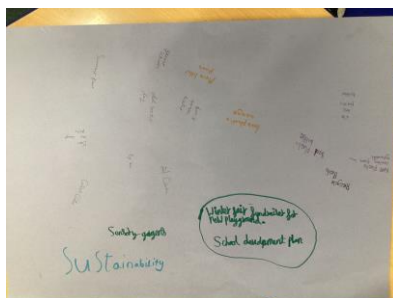
This Week:

In assembly this week we continued our Brookland Value focus on Friendship and explored the British Value of Individual Liberty. We learnt about recent discoveries in Antarctica and were really excited when Zoya from our hard working PA team came to speak about the Winter Fair. The children will be chasing you to sign up to help make the 9th December a truly memorable and fun community event as well as raising funds for playground improvements and much needed technology. Thank you to everyone who has already offered help and bought tickets. See attached flyer for more information and encouragement!

This Wednesday, we set up a table of RE artefacts symbolising the festivals of light in the winter months. Children and adults are enjoying looking at them.



On Tuesday, Brookland Juniors hosted a Year 5 School council meeting with 6 of our local partnership primary schools. It was a wonderful discussion to share what we are proud of and to generate many inspiring and creative ideas for our projects for the year ahead. We are looking forward to hearing how it all goes later in the year. Thank you to Miss Christie for skilfully facilitating the discussions and to Wessex, Akiva, Menorah, Rimon and Martin Primary Schools for travelling to Brookland.



"On the 29th of November Brookland Junior School had a football match against All Saint's. We all worked extremely hard and it paid off. It ended 3-0 to Brookland. The first goal was scored by Noa 5A, the second by Mia 6P and the 3rd by Jodie 5E. It was a wonderful game." Noa 5A



"On Thursday, the Geography leads from the Infant and Junior Schools took governors on a Geography learning walk. We saw the curriculum in action, from the Nursery all the way through to Year 6. All the children were excited to share their learning with the adults; they were all confident, engaged and articulate. The children shared so much about what they have learned about the world around them: our families, our school, our local area and the wider world. We heard all about the learning opportunities in the outdoor areas in Nursery and Reception, exciting places such as Mutton Brook and Kenya, saw lovely maps drawn, heard all about different kinds of transportation, orienteering and earthquakes and were treated to making clouds in a jar. The subject knowledge and vocabulary was very impressive! We are looking forward to learning all about the Computing provision during our Spring learning walk." Laura Pincus Chair of Governors



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Also This Week:

Thank you to the NSPCC for leading Workshops for Year 5 and 6 to help them deepen their knowledge of how to keep themselves and each other safe in and out of school, including online and where to go for advice and support.



Year 6 have shown excellent teamwork and listening skills and enjoyed WWII baking with Mrs Pejakovic. We now have 90 capable pastry chefs!



5AM Geography River Walk: *"On Thursday, we went on a local river walk to Mutton Brook. On our trip, we saw and found out different things including: Mutton Brook has roughly 22 meanders and its source is located in Brookland Rise and its mouth in Golders' Green. We saw lots of different animals. Here are a few; robin, duck, fox and others. Unfortunately, we saw lots of litter and plastic. The flow of the river changed throughout the journey but was mainly slow and very calm. In all, we really enjoyed our trip and now have new information from it!"* Lyla 5AM





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Golden Sentences in Big Writing:

Year 6 have been learning how to create and change the mood of their fiction writing:

"It was a calm, sunny Saturday morning when me & my best friend (Saanchi) went sailing. Our boat was a smooth wooden fishing boat: we loved to take it out on Saturdays. This Saturday was especially wonderful because of the weather.

Suddenly I shivered. The clouds cut off the warmth of the sun. If only I'd noticed when the sky first got dark, I would have escaped to shore. Then it started to pour. Now I knew I was in real trouble." Giulia 6L

"Drifting away to sleep, the waves rocked like a bay's cot. While I scampered towards the edge of the dingy, the cold breeze and swift spray of salty water blowing strands of my hair. Timidly, I began to watch the Zen fish dashing around me, catching my scent. Who knew something would go terribly wrong." Gabrielle 6P

"Gleefully waves splashed about playfully crawling over the sand. Giggles and cheers contagiously spread across the wrinkled sea. Cuddling and seeking affection from me, the small waves waltzed under the boat, making it oscillate. Side to side, top to bottom. It's gently cuddle embraced my feet like a cushion in a soft breeze. The symphony of birds reverberated through the warm, azure blanket. Dancing through the crisp air, the lulling, melodic harmony of the breeze whistled through shards of sunlight which rained on my hair." Ananya 6P

Year 3 have been writing persuasive fact files:

"France is Europe's oldest nation. It's a cool, fun country that has famous food, amazing landmarks and so much more! France is such an amazing country that it will make your life even better." Adrian 3B

Next Week:

Monday 4th December am: Year 4 visit to local synagogue

Tuesday 5th December am: Brookland Football Team match v Rimon @ Compton School

Wednesday 6th December 9.00am: 3HD Class Assembly on Chanukah - Parents warmly invited to watch and stay for coffee if you have time

Thursday 7th December am: Whole School Meeting

SATURDAY 9th December: Winter Fair 1pm see flyer for more

Save the date for the upcoming Brookland Winter Fair!

Would you like to donate your signature Festive Dish for the food court?

Please message us and join the fun!

Thanks

Further Ahead:

Monday 11th December am: Year 6 virtual visit with author Sufiya Ahmed (online)

Thursday 14th December 2:20: Girls' football team match away v Chalgrove

Friday 15th December 9.00am: 3G Christmas Class Assembly - Parents warmly invited to watch and stay for coffee if you have time

Wednesday 20th December 1:15-3:15: Year 5 Christmas Party

Wednesday 20th December 2:15-3:15: Year 6 Christmas Party

Thursday 21st December 1:40: Sleeping Beauty Panto by Outside The Box Company for the whole school

THURSDAY 21ST DECEMBER: END OF THE TERM SCHOOL FINISHES 3:05





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Free Dr Bike service coming to Barnet's car parks in December:

Barnet Council's Parking team has arranged free Dr Bike sessions run by qualified bicycle mechanics in December. 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.

The sessions will take place on the following dates between 9am and 3pm.

Lodge Lane Car Park, North Finchley, N12	02/12/2023
Watling Avenue Car Park, Burnt Oak, HA8	03/12/2023
Stapylton Car Park, Barnet, EN5	09/12/2023
Marsh Drive Car Park, West Hendon, NW7	10/12/2023
Watling Avenue Car Park, Burnt Oak, HA8	16/12/2023
Lodge Lane Car Park, North Finchley, N12	17/12/2023
Marsh Drive Car Park, West Hendon, NW7	23/12/2023
Stapylton Car Park, Barnet, EN5	30/12/2023

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 27th November - Friday 1st December

Class	3B	3G	3HD	4K	4R	4S
ATTENDANCE%	98.62%	96.21%	97.50%	94.52%	97.33%	96.33%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.90%	99.66%	98.57%	99.27%	98.67%	98.67%

Class	5A	5AM	5E	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	97.33%	92.0%	92.41%	95.33%	95.52%	95.36%	95.69%
PUNCTUALITY%	99.0%	99.0%	97.93%	99.0%	97.59%	99.29%	98.67%

Well done to **3B** for having the highest attendance this week.

Congratulations to **3G** for having the highest punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake

