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### **Times Tables Rock Stars Day:**

TTRockstars dress as a rock star if you want and Crazy Hair Day for PA fundraising meant today was a lot of fun! Thank you to the many parents who came into school this morning to play maths games and well done on some amazing hair styles and some exciting times tables battles!























In assemblies this week we celebrated the lives of key black women in History including Fanny Eaton and Lilian Bader and learnt about the footballer and TV star Alex Scott. In lessons, we learned about Black and Asian men and women whose stories have been missed from traditional history retelling. Thank you to Miss Roghey for leading our focus week.





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#### This Week:

"Singing assembly was fun because we sat in rows to make a square, we sang a song from Ghana. It was called A Keelie Makolay and it went, yeah, yeah, mo paco meeno sway. Some of us got musical instruments and everyone else kept the pulse by clapping along" Dylan 5E

"On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October we did cross country. It was really close this year. School have trained hard and got better. This experience was great. Olivia got gold, Noa, Hugo & Zainab got silver. After the race instead of huffing & puffing, we felt great. All of the years did amazing for this first run. Olivia got 6.40 seconds and Noa got 6.42 seconds. We came first in the first event of the year. Let's hope we win in March too!" Olivia, Noa & Hugo 5A





### **PA News:**

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Brookland Junior school Annual General Meeting of the Parents Association earlier this week. A huge thank you to the kind, generous and all round wonderful parents who form our committee team.

Please welcome and support your new PA team:

Chair Adi Steinbrecher, 5A & 3HD

Co-Chair Nilit Danan, 4R
Treasurer Angelos Sigalas, 5E
Co-Treasurer Sarah Khodja, 3B
Secretary (shared with Infants) Zoya Zaitseva, 5AM

#### **Festive Season Cards:**

We are getting ready for the coming Festive Season! Your kids will bring home a form they've received from their teachers (attached in case it got damaged – please print on white paper if need be) – **please follow the instructions to a letter** to create the most exciting presents for your family and loved ones, designed by children!

- All artwork must be completed in **FELT TIP, PAINT OR FLAT COLLAGE ONLY**. No pencil, no coloured pencil, no glitter or crayon.
- Keep writing and important details away from the edges as they are trimmed during production.
- ★ Kids can create their drawing on a separate page and then glue it to the order form, however the drawing needs to be the size of the frame given on the order form to be processed.

All order forms have the child's name and class. All names are clearly legible (block capitals)

**Deadline to return forms back to the teachers – Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> October.** Unfortunately, we won't be able to process the forms returned later.

Any questions – please email Brookland Junior School PA <a href="mailto:brooklandjpa@gmail.com">brooklandjpa@gmail.com</a>

Have a wonderful break!



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### Here are two beautiful pieces of writing which were awarded Gold Star Book today:

The rain flips birds into somersaults and acrobatic tricks,

The rain put out its tongue and dribbles,

The rain falls, like tennis balls,

The rain shudders and rumbles like a mountain,

The rain hugs the slimy slugs tightly,

The rain shoots like catapults,

The rain talks to the plain, grey ground,

The rain flexes its strong muscles & booms,

The rain shows off,

The rain eats.

The rain likes huge feasts,

The rain yells,

The rain cries,

The rain sleeps,

The rain sweeps,

The rain helps,

The rain rules,

The rain saves plants' lives,

The rain fights,

The rain dies.

Talia 4S

### **Bear's Story:**

"I remember arriving on Bear Island with my mother who I knew would care for me always. As the gentle iceberg carried us to Bear Island, I stared at the endless ocean. When we arrived, I was quite surprised, I put a paw in the water, it was warm but the island was freezing. I took shelter in a tiny cave, and then I fell fast sleep. When I woke up in the morning, my mum was missing. Each step I took my teeth pushed harder and harder against themselves and every breath I took, I wondered if I'd see her again...." Arsam 4S

### **Gardening Club:**

Our gardeners have been very busy this week and they have planted garlic. We are pleased to share that our onions have started to sprout already, despite the fact that they have been raided by the squirrels. We used some netting to protect the bulbs and they are doing really well.





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### **Next Week:**

Monday 23rd – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October: HALF TERM HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED

**Further Ahead:** 

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 8.50am: Back to school for everyone

Monday 30th October: School Council visit to Houses of Parliament

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Deadline for Y6 secondary school online applications for Sept 2024

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.00-9.45: Year 5, 6 Parent Maths Workshop with Miss Lally in the Library

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2.30: Girls football team match away v Chalgrove