





# Brookland Junior School News



08<sup>th</sup> September 2023

## If I Were a Frog

If I were a frog,  
I would leap into the air,  
And touch the towering luscious tree.

If I were a frog,  
I would look at my reflection,  
In the shimmering waters of my lake.

If I were a frog,  
I would explore the spectacular,  
Leaf-fringed forest.

If I were a frog,  
I would watch the  
Alluring tadpoles swimming around.

If I were a frog,  
I would jump from lily pad,  
To lily pad elegantly like an exquisite swan.

**Jacob 6P**



## I am Poem

I am kind and helpful.  
I wonder about dogs and turtles.  
I hear my baby brother talking.  
I see children playing together.  
I want to be happy always.

**Jacques 4R**

## I am Poem

I am good & kind.  
I hear the class working.  
I see the whiteboard.  
I want plushie!  
I am good and kind.  
I pretend to not hear sometimes when parents talk.  
I feel happy!  
I touch something soft or plushies!  
I worry we couldn't live on Earth!  
I cry when my sister annoys me.  
I am good, I am king.  
I understand I can't play when I work.

**Jacob 4R**

## Next Week:

Please do come to our Meet the Teachers evenings to hear about the year ahead, meet the year group team and visit your child's classroom.

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 5.30pm-6:15pm: Meet the teachers for year 3 parents and carers in the Hall**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 6.15pm-7:00pm: Meet the teachers for year 4 parents and carers in the Hall**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 5.30pm-6:15: Meet the teachers for year 5 parents and carers in the Hall**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 6.15pm-7:15pm: Meet the teachers for year 6 parents and carers in the Hall**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September:** Our school photographer will be here to take individual pupil photos for all pupils. You will also have an opportunity for our photographer to take photos of siblings together, including Infant or older siblings. Just come to the hall between 8am and 8.45 am or to the ICT suite at 3.20.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 9.00-10.00:** Maths Morning for Year 3 & 4 parents with our Maths Lead Miss Lally

## Further Ahead:

**The term dates, INSET Days and half terms can be found on our website and can be linked to your calendar. They are also attached to this newsletter.**

**Calendar dates for the Autumn Term will be shared as soon as possible.**



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## End of Day Arrangements:

The end of day arrangements form for this school year will be available through teachers to parents shortly. Please use this to let the school know whether your child will be collected directly from their teacher on the playground, whether you give permission for them to meet you at another point inside the school grounds or whether you give permission for them to leave school independently. Also, which adults are permitted to collect your child and finally if they will be attending after school clubs on the school site. Please complete this for each of your children individually for this school year and inform the office of any changes. Thank you

## Reminders:

### Safeguarding reminder:

The Junior School day finishes at 3.20. Parents and carers collecting their children should not be in the school site until 3.15 as lessons are taking place, including on the playground and children may be walking independently from one building to another. You are a stranger on site to the vast majority of our children. Please respect this request and help to ensure all our children feel safe and are safe.

### One Way Traffic System:

Please can I remind you about the voluntary one way system: driving up Brookland Rise and down Brookland Hill. This helps keep traffic moving at pick up and drop off and helps keep our children safe crossing the road. Link to the map: [Walking to School and Car Parking | Brookland Junior School](#).

Please explain this to anyone new picking up your child- child minder, grandparent etc. Thank you

### Attendance:

Good attendance and punctuality are key to a happy and successful school experience both socially and emotionally and academically. National expectations are above 96% attendance and below 90% is classed as persistent absence. Please see our parent guide to attendance to remind yourself about attendance rules, appointments, what to do if your child is going to be absent due to illness or you need to request leave of absence in exceptional circumstances. [attendance-information-for-parents-2022.pdf \(primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com\)](#) Our full attendance policy can also be found on our website.

### Uniform:

Thank you to everyone for helping the children return to school with correct uniform, including school shoes, no jewellery or nail varnish. A reminder of our Uniform is attached to this newsletter.

