



Brookland Junior School News



Friday 4th October 2024

This Week:

Thank you 5AM for leading our Monday assembly about Rosh Hashanah so confidently and thoughtfully.

*"On Monday, we had our Rosh Hashanah sharing assembly. "It was an enjoyable experience." We learnt many facts and it was an assembly we will never forget." **Shana Tova!** One fact we learnt is for Rosh Hashanah, you dip the apple in honey as a resemblance of a sweet new year!"* Aish & Myla 5AM



In assembly today we thought about our Brookland Value of Respect. Thank you to Rafeeq, Adam, Georgia, Jodie, Billie and James for helping us reflect on what this means and role playing some playground scenarios, discussing how we would respond if we saw or heard disrespectful things. We also reminded the children what to do if they are worried about anything; to share their worry with any adult in school.

Book Fair and Uniform Sale:

Thank you for your support for the Book Fair this week which will enable school to purchase new books for the classrooms and library as well as creating a lot of great chat about books. Thank you to the parents who purchased uniform from the PA as well and thank you to the great team of parents who helped run the stall.

Thank you Alex

Alex in 6D has made a popular lego club for year 3s. He is amazing in helping the children work together and collaborate and is a fantastic role model and technical expert. At the minute there is a ticket system to attend lego club as it has been so popular. Everyone at the club is loving it! Thank you Alex



Year 6 have been creating story boards about the experience of evacuees and completing a WW2 orienteering challenge together.





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Skandar Books:

The writer of the global bestseller series, A.F.Steadman, is coming to Brookland Junior School on the 9th of October to bring adventure, wonder and excitement into our reading. We are fortunate to have her visit and an early release of Skandar and the Skeleton Curse (book 4).

This book is funny and humorous. Do you think you know unicorns? The cute and fluffy type? Well think again. The unicorns are warriors and show no mercy, except for their bonded riders...

This is a great series of books, sure to hook in children and adults. In fact lots of the teachers are huge fans of Skandar, Bobby, Flo, Mitchell and more (and are very excited to read along with the children!)

Books are available to pre-order via Arbor (closing on 8th October at noon) or payable in cash on the 9th October.

Skandar and the Unicorn Thief - £7.15 (paperback)

Skandar and the Phantom Rider - £7.15 (paperback)

Skandar and the Chaos Trials - £14.50 (hardback)

Skandar and the Skeleton Thief - £14.50 (hardback)



Next Week:

History Focus Week

On the week beginning 7th October, we will be having a History Focus Week which will give the children an opportunity to practise and develop their enquiry skills. On the morning of **Friday 11th October**, we are inviting parents in to have a look at our history work and also complete a compare and contrast activity. We would like the children to compare their Brookland school life to the school life of their parents/grandparents/other relatives. Parents, if you happen to have any photographs, school reports or anything from when you or a family member went to school, we would really appreciate it if you brought it in on 11th October. If not, please do come in and just be interviewed! Thank you very much! Miss Roghey

Tuesday 8th October p.m.: Year 6 visit to Big Wood

Wednesday 9th October: Miss Davies and many Brookland fans are thrilled that A.F. Steadman the author of the Skandar series will be visiting Brookland to give a talk and sell her books. Well done Miss Davies!

Thursday 10th October: Year 3 visit to St Jude's Church

Friday 11th October 8:50am-9:10am: Parents are invited to share activities in class for History Focus Week

Further Ahead:

Monday 14th October: Sukkot Assembly led by 6P

Monday 14th October: Year talk with food Bank Aid

Tuesday 15th October am: year 5 visit to Finchley Mosque

Tuesday 15th October 3:20: Year 6 Football match vs Rimon School @ Christ College astro pitch

Tuesday 15th October 15:20: Girls' Football team match vs King Alfred School @ Christ College astro pitch

Friday 18th October: Show Racism the Red Card Day – Wear an item of red

Friday 18th October: Year 4 leading harvest Assembly



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Independent Travellers to school:

As our children become older and more independent, you may decide they can walk part or all of the way to school in the morning. We have a register of independent travellers to school and we check their arrival as priority in the mornings. If you would like your child to be on the priority list to check they have arrived safely at school, the independent traveller form is on our website and is also attached to this newsletter. Please send the completed form to Mrs Lake: welfare@brooklandjnr.barnetmail.net

For information:

Barnet have shared a number of useful resources with schools providing guidance on how to support children who may be upset or anxious about the news. Please let the school know if your child is worried about the wider world or anything else so we can be aware of this and offer support.

CBBC has created a guide and animation video for children and young people offering [Advice if you're upset by the news - BBC Newsround](#)

Mental Health Foundation has created a resource with advice on [Talking to children about scary world events](#)

Internet Matters has created a [Fake news and misinformation Hub](#) with interactive tools, videos and advice on how to tackle fake news, misinformation and disinformation.

North Central London Waiting Room is the leading [resource hub](#) that provides information and resources for young people, parents, carers and professionals who are looking for wellbeing support in North Central London (NCL), including resources such as:

- [Coping Strategies for Anxious Times](#)
- [Building Resilience Leaflet](#)
- [Doing What Matters in Times of Stress](#)

Golden Sentences:

"Smiling, me and my cute, little small sister quickly speed-walked across the long, grey street as big multi-coloured cars stopped for us. 14 steps as fast as a cheetah, we finally made it. Walking in the colossal, giant school, I felt enthusiastic to go in and I bet Faizah was too." James 4K

"I could hear owls and other nocturnal animals. It was dark as we walked down the narrow street. Our host was waiting for us at the top of the hill. He was wearing braces and was frowning. He didn't look that happy. It was all grass fields and nothing like London!" Miriam 6P

"Max was in his bedroom sobbing on his bed. Max was surprised when his bedroom filled up with water." Isabella 3SH

"He was so sad that he ran and ran for an hour then finally he got home and went back to his bedroom and his supper with a cup of milk. His supper was still hot and his mother came in and said time to go to bed." Kenzo 3SH



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Dr Bike:

Due to the success of the Dr Bikes in Barnet, particularly among parents/carers and children, these will be running again from July, at the locations/dates/times listed in the table below on a rotating basis each month: 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.

Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	09/10/2024	4pm to 7pm
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	23/10/2024	4pm to 7pm
Finchley, Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	13/11/2024	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	27/11/2024	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	11/12/2024	4pm to 7pm
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	18/12/2024	4pm to 7pm
Finchley, Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	08/01/2025	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	22/01/2025	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	12/02/2025	4pm to 7pm
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	26/02/2025	4pm to 7pm
Finchley, Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	12/03/2025	4pm to 7pm
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