



Brookland Junior School News



Friday 10th January 2025

This Week:

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you had an enjoyable holiday and managed to keep healthy. Thank you for your support and teamwork throughout a very successful Autumn Term. The children have been really excited to see each other again after the break and are already working hard putting our Brookland Learning Skills of Teamwork, Determination, Quality, Listening and Evaluation into action. We have as always a busy term ahead: please find attached a calendar of dates and events.

In assembly this week, we thought about New Year and took the opportunity to share our aims for the year ahead and also to consider that unexpected things happen every day and to dream about what might happen in our futures. We reflected on our Brookland Value of Trust and the responsibility that comes with being trusted.

Thank you very much to Dr David Green from the European Space agency, also Lucas' Dad, for his fascinating talk for year 5. *"During Dr Green's talk, I learned that they send the food into space to the ISS before the astronauts so there is enough room for the astronauts. One thing I found interesting was that there is a volcanic rock which is similar to the moon rock so astronauts can practise walking on the moon. As there is less gravity, if you fall in space it is harder to get up. I learned that there is a 5 to 14 second delay when communicating with astronauts on the lunar gateway. I learned that on the ISS, astronauts have to exercise for two hours a day."* Elizete, Oliver, Kiyla 5R



Football Match:

Congratulations to our girls football team for a super successful season and for their exemplary teamwork and attitude always.

"On the 9th January 2025, the girls' football team played St John's to see who would play in the Regional Girls' Tournament. They were a really good and physical team and it also didn't help that it was freezing cold. Noa scored a brilliant goal. Then in the last 10 minutes they scored a goal which took it to penalties and sadly we lost but we tried super hard.

Thank you to Mr A & Mr Khan and all the parents who stood in the freezing cold watching us and a big thank you to everyone who played in the game." Jodie 6D & Imaani 6P

"Miss Davies kindly gave us £200.00 to buy fantastic books. Our class chose different genres. We are really looking forward to reading these new books and we are very grateful for them. (We chose them as a class.) Negin, Miriam & Fatimah 6P





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Can You Help:

Dear Brookland Community,

As part of Big Garden Birdwatch Week (24th January 2025), our Gardening Club would like to ask you for donations of your unwanted teapots, milk jugs and coffee cups because we are planning to make some bird feeders to invite more birds to our school ground.

We also plan to use the old teapots for nests for robins as they prefer open sites and they like to utilise man-made objects.

If you can donate some seeds also, we would very much appreciate your generosity.

Brookland Gardening Club



Golden Sentences:

"Desperate, he had to redeem himself! He had to complete the mission! He had to do better or he would face the cold consequences Meanwhile the pigeon brutally escaped the so called impenetrable pigeon prison and this time he is not alone!!! " Zain 6D

"He had bought an ancient car the day before that spewed out weird eye-watering smoke constantly and moved at snail-pace. Pocketing two pistols, three grenades and one chocolate bar, he drove off, the whole car shuddering as if about to collapse. 50 minutes later, he was there, intensely listening in on a conversation between two unseen figures. One man had been speaking for a while but now stopped. Agent Beckett jumped back in shock! That voice! It couldn't be! The Pigeon!!!!" Levi 6L

"His fingers were a blur as he hacked the main frame granting him access to the location of the criminal base. Ecstatic, he thought about how he could now be redeemed and how proud the boss will be. Skipping out of the library with joy, he quickly stopped at the bagel shop. Finally, he could carry on his journey." Alex 6D

"Dear Sarah Sackman, I am in year 4 at Brookland Junior School and I am writing to persuade you to make sure parliament looks after our magnificent, wonderful & important Earth! Firstly, this planet is essential for animals' and humans' survival. Do you not think our unique planet need caring for? The time to act is now!" Belkisa 4S

"We need your help! We are telling you, we need your help! You're the last hope of humanity! We are begging you to help us!" Rihaan 4S

"Relaxed, I closed my eyes, everything was the same until a loud, disturbing noise flew through the air. My eyes shot open. The sky looked rather different from one minute before. Seagulls scattered away from this tempestuous weather. The wind picked up, like a lion attacking its prey then....." Imaani 6P

"I see stars, twinkle, cluster, night sky sparkle. I hear talking stars, shooting stars. I feel a presence." Khloe 3B

"Beautiful, colourful, wings clustering in the wind. I taste the pollen and see the beautiful colours. I smell the flower and it feels like heaven." Vy 3G



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Next Week:

Tuesday 14th January 9am: Year 5 talk on Mental Health from BICS

Friday 17th January 9.00: 5R Class Assembly on Space for parents- please do stay for coffee if you are able to

Friday 17th January 9am: WUMA basketball festival for group of year 4/ 5 pupils

Further ahead:

Please see attached full calendar for the Spring Term

Monday 20th January 1.30pm: Barnet Schools Police Officer talk with year 6

Tuesday 21st January pm: Boccia team competition at Burnt Oak Leisure Centre

Friday 24th January 1.30pm: Sarah Sackman MP to meet School Council

Monday 27th January: Chinese New Year assembly led by 3SH

Friday 31st January 9am: 4JS Class Assembly on The Victorians for parents- please do stay for coffee if you are able to



PARENTING IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Supporting parents and schools in **BARNET** navigating smartphones and social media with children

A talk with Children's Mental Health Advocate and SFC North London Regional Leader **Nova Eden** and tech expert **Kevin Tibble**



Thursday 23rd January 2025, 19.00-20.30

Saracens School, Corner Mead, NW9 4AS

