



# Brookland Junior School News



Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## This week:

In assembly this week we thought about our Brookland Values of Positivity and marked international Refugee Week by looking at the reasons people move countries. The theme this year is Community as Superpower; we thought about our Brookland community and our class communities as places where we enjoy our many differences, showing respect and kindness to everyone. We shared all the ways we welcome new members of our school, including those who are also new to English. We reminded ourselves about protected characteristics and spent a moment to think or pray about parts of our world we may be worrying about, places where we know people may be frightened or may not feel welcome. I reminded the children that if they are worried about things in the news or anything else, they can speak with any adult in school about this.

*“On Tuesday, we had a buddy playdate. They brought books for us to read. Both our buddies brought funny & adventurous books. After that, we enjoyed playing with our buddies on the bottom playground. We have buddy playdates to build relationships with year twos and make them feel welcome in the Juniors. We hope we will do this more often because we had a really good time.” Sarah & Gigi 5AM*



## Barnet Music Festival:

*“On the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, we went to the Arts Depot with the choir to play the drums and to sing with other schools from Barnet. When we arrived, we went into a small room and after, we went to the auditorium. We started singing all the songs that we had rehearsed, while we added some actions to make it more interesting. Next, we had a small break, and we practised playing a song on the drums a while later.*

*After we had dinner, we rehearsed our individual songs and made sure they were perfect. After another short break, Alice came to help us, making sure we were singing in tune. Then, we went back to the auditorium to do our final performance. We sang in perfect harmony, and the audience clapped and cheered very loudly. Overall, we had a fun time and learnt new things.*

*Thank you to Mr G and Alice for your help and support.” By Evie, Shreya and Oli year 6*





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## Disco:

**Year 3 & 4 Disco:** *"It was phenomenal. The games were brilliant, fun & amazing and our teacher Miss Saville danced Macarena. The food was tasty and the songs were fantastic. They played Steve's Lava Chicken, Thick of It & the best song: FE!N. They also had a bubble and soap machine and the soap got everywhere!!!"* By Jiya, Sami & Carmi from 4JS  
*"The DJ was amazing. He is definitely 5 stars. I loved the snow machine & bubble machine."* By Lila 3SH  
*"The disco was fabulous because the DJ was definitely 5 stars and I absolutely loved the bubble machine."* Elizabeth 3SH  
*"It was fabulous. The DJ played the best songs ever and was really nice to everyone. He played limbo with us and had fun with us with the snow machine."* Haaris 3SH  
*"It was fabulous. The DJ was definitely 5 star. The bubble machine was fantastic and incredible and the foam machine was the best."* Arturo 3SHS



**Year 5 & 6 Disco:** *"On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June, there was a year 5 & 6 disco. It was very exhilarating and hot but most importantly everyone enjoyed it. There was also a foam machine and hash-brown & chicken nuggets for dinner and for drinks there was fruit shoot. Seren "The disco was very good & fun!"* Sofia A & Mariella 5AM

*"Last night, there was a disco for year 5 & 6. There were lots of great songs, a DJ and lots of delicious food. We had such a great time. Thank you to the PA and teachers for this wonderful night."* Chris 6L



A massive THANK YOU to our fantastic PA team for organising such fun disco parties, for cooking the lovely food in a hot kitchen, to all the parents who volunteered and the teachers who helped too. Funds raised, **at least £1900**, go to completing the replacements of every single interactive whiteboards in every classroom, paying for our BASE Learning Mentor and replacing the toilet door on the top playground- THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to PA funds and events this year- you have achieved so much for our children and school.



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## Also this week:

*"Today year 6 had a TFL member come to visit. He taught us how to be safe when travelling on the bus and tube. I learnt there's a help button on the tube and on the platform, to stand back from the rails equal distance to my height and lots more. It was so much fun learning from him."* Dren 6L



## Gardening Club:

The Gardening Club has been very busy this week!

A big thank you to Ms Anita, our wonderful chef, who saved lots of eggshells for us as part of our recycling efforts. It was egg-citingly satisfying to crush them! We scattered the crushed shells around our cavolo nero plants to help deter slugs and snails from munching on them.

We'd also like to thank Mr Flanagan and Mr Eric, who upcycled an old pallet to create a fantastic new herb planter for us.

This week, we proudly harvested our first crops of broad beans, carrots, and radishes — so keep an eye out for them on our school salad bar!



## Next week: Sumer Book Fair week of 23<sup>rd</sup> June

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June:** Year 5 visit to London Zoo

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June pm:** Group of pupils taking part in Barnet debating event

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June:** Year 5 visit to visit Bishop Douglas Secondary School

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June:** Year 5 Buddy Play Date with Year 2

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June:** Primary Schools Athletics competition at Saracens Stadium

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June:** Choir performing at Saint Jude's Prom

## Further Ahead:

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: SPORTS DAY** please see attached letter from Mr Adjudani

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July:** Year 3,4,5 swop day to meet new teachers

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 6-8pm: OPEN EVENING-** everyone welcome to visit the whole school, celebrate our children's achievements, hear choir and other performers and meet next year's teachers.



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## Book Fair 23rd -27th June:

The Book Fair is back! This time around, the Book Fair is offering all books 3 for the price of 2 (cheapest book free). Stock up in time for the summer holiday reading challenge!

The school receives 60% of the value of books bought so buying books at our fair will help raise vital funds. Monies from this book fair will be spent updating our reading books for use in lessons and for pleasure. If your child wishes to choose their books in school, each year group has a shopping day. Some of these dates have changed since my original letter. Please see below:

Monday: Years 3, 4, 6 browsing

Tuesday: 3B, 3SH, 4K (Year 5 browsing)

Wednesday: 4JS, 4S, Year 5

Thursday: 3G, Year 6

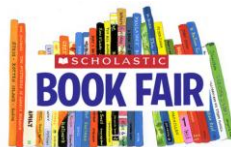
In addition to these times, the Book Fair will be open in the library on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June from 3:20-4:00.

Children should bring their money in a named purse or envelope and hand it to their teacher. Orders will be processed before the summer holidays if the books are unavailable on the day.

If you are shopping with your child after school, I have a QR code to take you to an online Scholastic payment site so that you can pay by card.

Thank you for all your support.

Miss Davies



## TEACHING ASSISTANT, Level 2, Grade D:

From September, we are seeking a caring, skilled and enthusiastic person to become part of our very committed and talented team. Our very successful school is friendly and inclusive and we have a commitment to professional development for all our staff. To apply please go to the link below:

<https://teaching-vacancies.service.gov.uk/jobs/teaching-assistant-level-2-grade-d>

## GROW Farm Open Day 2025:

GROW's annual open day is happening on Saturday 12 July, 10am to 3pm, and we'd love to see you there!

Bring the family and friends for a day of fun & outdoor learning with farm tours, food, music, kids activities, and more. Fresh GROW produce and flowers will be on sale throughout the day.

Visit [wearegrow.org/events](http://wearegrow.org/events) to book your ticket with solidarity pricing available and free tickets for those who need it.





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## Golden Sentences:

*"I can't stop thinking about it. It's always in my head...."*

*All I want is a friend..*

*I feel so lonely"* Marielle & Sofia 5AM

*"In a blink of an eye, they were feeling brave. The sword was hanging in the air. Peter's sword, as sharp as a needle, struck."* Samuel 4JS

*"Edmund, who was as brave as a warrior that had a titan blade, got hurt. Lucy looked down gloomily as Peter's sword swished out. Animals were speeding, horses were racing and...destruction."* Benjamin 4JS

*"It wasn't loud and it wasn't quiet. It was not even clear but ember light was just about enough to awake him. Archie Smith, 9 years old, was home alone."* Reuben 6D

*"Everything was quiet on Maple Street. The clock struck midnight. And the street lights blinked as the stars glowed and twinkled. A faint whisper was heard."* Esfandyar 6P

*"Everything was quiet on Maple Street. Not a shutter or whisper was heard. Archie Smith slept in his creaky bed like a cocoon wrapped away into his dream. The room was still – too still. He didn't even move. He just slept but one thing was on. Two orbs gleamed on the wall like a shadow."* Alessia 6P

*"Archie hurriedly went to his bedroom that wasn't far from the base and hid under the bed. He dolefully laid there and started crying loudly but not loud enough for them to hear. It clicked for him. They are still in the house"* Zuhrah 6D

*"As he glanced over at the book, a name appeared at the front: Harris Burdick! The book opened making Archie flinch. In the blink of an eye, words started appearing as if someone was talking to him in real time. There was only one word written on the page: HELP."* Noam 6L

*"In every mirror was a bully. The bullies that terrified him so much that he ate lunch in the toilets, came home from school crying every day and worst of all, the reason that Archie had never believed in himself."* Lyla 6L

*"Archie woke up exactly at midnight, sat bolt upright, scared. He saw two ghostly orbs as if they were watching over him like guardians. His room was dark as a tomb and nothing stirred, not even a sound. He felt numb as he didn't move at all. Desperate, he wanted to escape as his palms sweated and his heart pounded rapidly."* James 6P

## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> JUNE - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June

Class	3B	3G	3SH	4JS	4K	4S
ATTENDANCE%	98.0%	93.67%	99.67%	89.33%	90.33%	98.0%
PUNCTUALITY%	98.67%	99.0%	98.33%	98.0%	98.67%	98.0%

Class	5A	5AM	5R	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	94.0%	94.67%	96.0%	90.67%	9.33%	91.38%	94.11%
PUNCTUALITY%	98.0%	98.0%	97.67%	99.03%	97.0%	96.55%	98.14%

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

Congratulations to **6D** for having the highest punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake



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## Dr Bike:

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
<b>Finchley, Lodge Lane car park</b>	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	<b>9 July 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm
<b>Temple Fortune</b>	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	<b>16 July 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm
<b>Middlesex University</b>	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	<b>13 August 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm
<b>High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park</b>	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	<b>20 August 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm
<b>Finchley, Lodge Lane car park</b>	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	<b>10 September 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm
<b>Temple Fortune</b>	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	<b>17 September 2025</b>	4pm to 7pm