



Brookland Junior School News



Friday 19th September 2025

This week:

In assembly this week Mr Khan reminded everyone about how to behave online to keep ourselves safe and be a positive digital citizen. We focused on our Brookland Value of Caring by marking mental health awareness day. Miss Christie practised some breathing and mindfulness ideas with the whole school and we heard from gardening club about the rewards and enjoyment of growing your own food.



Year 6 have also been learning in their PSHE lessons about good mental health and how to look after it.

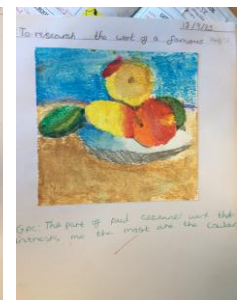
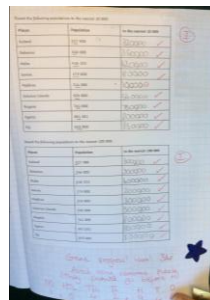
"Before this lesson, I didn't know mental health affected your whole life. Something else I have learnt is that it makes everything less fun. Seeking early help is when you keep on getting more and more worries and it's too much. Something I will do following this lesson is going outside more because it helps. Something I would like to know more about is seeking early help." Bea 6P

All year groups cover online safety topics this half term; do ask your children to tell you what they have learned and aim to make time to discuss with your children what they are doing and share what you do when online.

"We learned to be with an adult online because there are some things online that are not for you." Eleanor 4JS.

"I learned that sometimes people fake being someone that you know so they can steal your information." Harper 4JS

We have been working hard on all our 10 subjects showing determination and quality. These impressive books were chosen for Gold Star today.



Gardening Club:

We were thrilled to kick off the gardening club this week and even more delighted to harvest the fruits of our labour. The courgettes and tomatoes looked particularly impressive - vibrant, healthy and full of flavour. In addition to harvesting, we began preparing the vegetable beds for autumn planting. We're getting ready to sow early onions and garlic, setting the stage for a productive season ahead.





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Reminders:

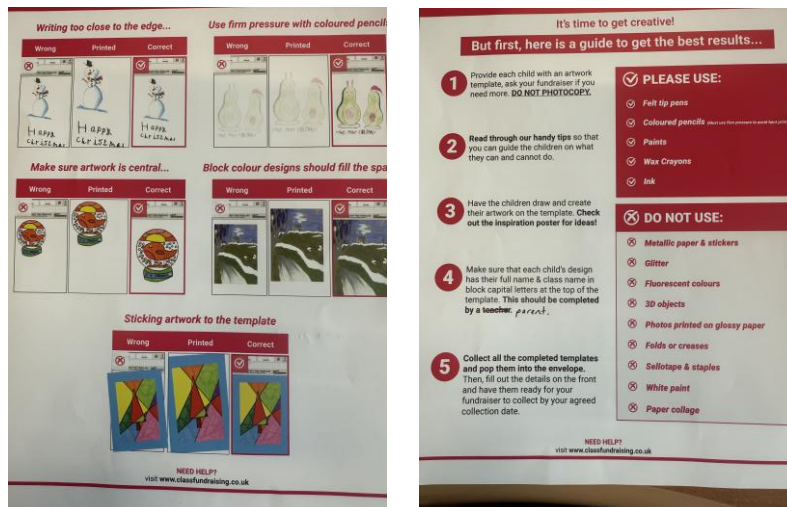
I have attached our **Home/School and online safety agreement** which you will have signed and discussed with your child when they joined our school and which describes the ways in which parents and carers and the school work together to ensure all our children become the best they can be, thrive and feel safe, including online. Please can I draw your attention to the section on taking photos. "As a Parents/ Carer I:

- *Understand that photos or videos of children or staff taking part in school events must not be uploaded to social media websites. These include class assemblies, live lessons, performances and sporting events. If you are unsure of whether photos / videos can be taken, please ask a member of staff.*
- *Will not take photographs on school premises without permission.*

Thank you for respecting the fact that not all our families give permission for their child's image to be shared online. This includes sharing photos of other people's children from school events through WhatsApp messaging.

Holiday Artwork- DUE BY 24th SEPTEMBER 2025:

Our wonderful PA have organised a terrific fundraiser that will bring you joy as well as raise some much needed funds for the school. Your child should have come home today with a holiday art work form where they can show their creativity by drawing, painting, crafting. These designs can then be made into cards, coasters, wrapping paper, keyrings etc. ready for the holiday season. When your child has completed their artwork, simply bring it back to your teacher. You will then be given a code to order products with your child's design - all in time for Christmas, Chanukah and the winter holiday season. Please see the attached information for more details.



Applying for a secondary place with an EHCP coffee morning:

Date: Tuesday 30th September

Time: 9:00am

Location: Library

I would like to invite parents to attend a coffee morning to discuss the process of applying for secondary schools if your child has an EHCP. If you are applying this year for a place or if your child is in year 5 you are welcome to attend. Miss Lucas

Please email Miss Lucas on senco@brooklandjnr.barnetmail.net or let the office know if you would like to attend.





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Big Writing:

"Icy air sealed the cobbled streets of crisp snowflakes scattered everywhere. Beneath the snowy layers of rooftops revealed the vintage town, eerie, abandoned, except for one lonely girl." Anya 6D

"On a stem of a green leaf a beautiful rainbow was looking at a big blue moon." Amber 3SH

"The tall trees are as big as giant clouds and the bright long river crashing through hard rocks as tough as diamonds.."
Leo 3B

"One beautiful evening a gorgeous colourful butterfly was sitting on a green small leaf. There are huge willow trees swinging in the breeze." Ivy 3SH

"Under the illuminating moon, in the silent night, from the distance was the faint noise of horse hooves. 'Trot, Trot!' The noise is getting louder & louder. Like a villain a silhouette emerges from the shadows." Kango 5R

"The blurred, misty clouds rested for the moonlit glow. A torrent of darkness churning the glistening twilight night. Silence filled the ghostly atmosphere." Indy 5R

"I looked at all the colourful hijabs. Mama pulled the pink one, mama loves pink but I didn't want it. I wanted the blue one like the sea and the sky." Ryan 4S

"Twirling, my sister showed off her new light up shoes. Beaming, I felt a rush of joy as I rushed to the school bus. I felt like butterflies dancing in my tummy." Janelle 4S

"I felt nervous, excited but I'm so happy to see my friends. I also feel frightened if anybody laughs at me. Beaming, I felt excited for the first day of the year. I had butterflies in my belly." Amber 3SH

"Faiziah thinks I'm a charming monarch, I do too. I hug Faiziah goodbye and sprint to my year 8 class!" Adam V 4K

Wellbeing coffee morning and BICs Information:

Thank you to all the parents who were able to come to the wellbeing coffee morning and to Mr Greenhouse for his dedication to wellbeing for our children, families and staff. You can find more information about our wellbeing programme on our website including the Zones of Regulation here:

<https://www.brooklandjuniorschool.co.uk/page/?title=Wellbeing&pid=121>

We were very fortunate to be visited by Georgia and Margaret from the BICs and Early Help team. They provided a clear and informative overview of when and how they can offer support, how to make a referral, and how that referral can positively impact both our children and their families.

This is a vital service, offered free of charge in Barnet, and it was incredibly helpful to gain a deeper understanding of how it works. It's reassuring to know that such a high-quality and accessible service is available to our community.

Looking ahead, Georgia will be joining us every couple of weeks for a relaxed coffee morning in the library, as well as a parent drop-in zone. These sessions will offer parents a valuable opportunity to speak with her directly, share any challenges they may be facing, and explore the next steps for support.

It was a fantastic talk and an invaluable service. A heartfelt thank you to Georgia and Margaret for their time and dedication.

☞ **Click here to view the PowerPoint presentation from the coffee morning:** [\[Brookland Junior School - Wellbeing\]](#)



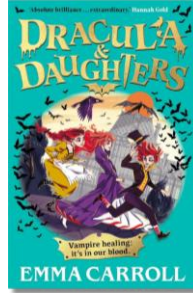
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Emmar Carroll Author Visiting Brookland Junior School:

We are very excited to welcome Emma Carroll, "The Queen of Historical Fiction" to school on Thursday 25th September. She will be speaking to Years 4-6 about her writing and her new book, Dracula and Daughters. Year 6 will also have an opportunity to ask some questions about their current class read: Letters from the Lighthouse. Once again, we are indebted to the Children's Bookshop, Muswell Hill for this visit. They will be selling copies of Dracula and Daughters for £7. Please bring cash in a named envelope. I am also trying to get the publisher to bring some copies of Letters from the Lighthouse for Year 6. I'll let you know the price as soon as I can.



Next Week: Times Tables Tournament Week

Thursday 25th September 9.15: Emma Carroll Author Visit for year 4,5 and 6

Thursday 25th September: Bronze Sports Ambassador Training for group of year 5 children

Thursday 25th September 6pm: Full Governing Body Meeting in Junior Hall

Friday 26th September: Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Assembly led by 5AM

Further Ahead: Literacy Week & Autumn Book Fair

Tuesday 30th September: All children are invited to try school lunches today.

Tuesday 30th September: Year 5 & Year 6 careers Assembly with Neil Clifford CEO of Kurt Geiger

Wednesday 1st October: Year 6 visit to Lincolnsfield



Free Child Car Seat Safety Checks

Barnet Council is offering **free child car seat checks** to help families ensure their children are travelling safely.

Wednesday 8th October, 10am – 3pm

Tesco car park, Coppetts Centre, North Circular Rd, N12 0SH

A trained expert from Good Egg Safety will be on hand to check seats and offer advice – no booking required.

Last year, 92% of car seats checked in Barnet had errors, most of them serious enough to put children at risk of injury or death in a collision. Let's work together to keep children safe on the roads.

road.safety@barnet.gov.uk / [Barnet - Child Seat Community Checking Event](#) | [Facebook](#)



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ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 15th September - Friday 19th September

Class	3B	3G	3SH	4JS	4K	4S
ATTENDANCE%	97.33%	97.33%	92.33%	96.67%	92.86%	100%
PUNCTUALITY%	99.0%	99.33%	98.0%	99.26%	98.93%	99.33%

Class	5A	5AM	5R	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	94.33%	92.33%	98.21%	86.13%	98.0%	89.3%	94.52%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.0%	98.67%	99.64%	99.03%	99.67%	97.99%	98.73%

Well done to **4S** for having 100% attendance this week.

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

Mrs Lake