



Brookland Junior School News



Friday 26th September 2025

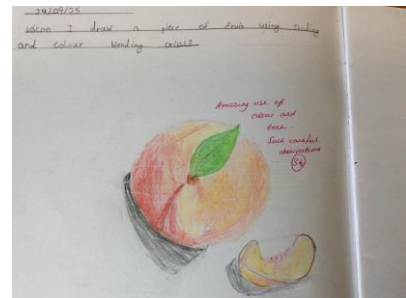
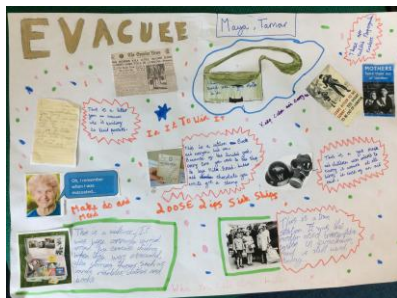
This week:

In assembly this week we thought about our Brookland Value of Caring, discussed the story of The Seagull who was putting our Learning Skills of Teamwork, Determination, Quality, Listening and Evaluation into action and today 5AM led our assembly about Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Thank you to 5AM for your lovely singing, interesting facts and engaging presentation and thank you to the children and staff who shared the ways their families mark these festivals with the whole school.



Thank you to Miss Lally for organising an exciting TT RockStars times tables battle for years 5 and 6 this week. Year 3 and 4 get ready for your turn!

We are enjoying our learning right across the curriculum: Year 6 have been making posters in pairs to show their learning about evacuees. Year 3 have been so focused on producing beautiful still life drawings and year 5 have been working in groups to make and test lego cars as part of their Science work on friction.



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.





Emma Carroll Author Visiting Brookland Junior School:

Years 4-6 were incredibly lucky to have a visit from children's author Emma Carroll on Thursday thanks to The Children's Bookshop. Emma visited to share her new book, 'Dracula and Daughters' with us. She shared her inspiration behind her writing and gave us the history of vampires. Her talk engaged the audience and everyone listened brilliantly.

Year 6 felt even luckier as Emma gave them some time to grill her about 'Letters from the Lighthouse': their current book study. They were able to ask questions about the plot, found out more about lighthouses and writing codes. She didn't give away any spoilers so they're keen to read on and find out more about the rest of the plot!

Thank you to all our families who supported The Children's Bookshop through the sale.

"Emma Carroll is a fantastic author. She inspires us because she wrote the book 'Dracula & Daughters' which is a great book for vampire lovers." Miley 5AM *"Yesterday, Emma Carroll came to our school and talked about her new book. Her book was about vampires. She said that first vampires were actually sick people but back then they didn't know what happened to them so they thought they were alive after they died. Ms Davies dressed a vampire! She said that she was a blue blood vampire. Blue blood vampires are very fashionable. The Rarest vampire is the Elemental. It's fearless plus it's the most dangerous vampire. Corpse-Crosser is the one that is scared of riding chariots and likes big toenails?!?! The shredealer hangs round washing lines and fears soapy water."* Emma & Esme 5A *"Yesterday, Emma Carroll came into the school to talk about her new book. Not only that, but currently Year 6 are reading one of her books based on World War 2 (our history topic). We asked many questions about both books. 5 people were chosen to represent 5 different vampires!"* Rastin 6P *"Emma Carroll came to Brookland to present her outstanding new book that breaks the limit of this world! Dracula and Daughters is a book that showcases the story of three girls: Mina, Buffy and Bella. They discover a mind-blowing secret. One half of Tems Town is dark and gloomy (with maybe some vampires) and the other side is bright and exciting- where the humans live! Emma kindly stayed behind to talk to Year 6 about Letters from the Lighthouse. She answered many interesting questions about a book that is nearly ten years old. We were excited to share our ideas about Budmouth Point, coded messages and World War 2 with her. Thank you Miss Davies and Emma Carroll."* Ollie and Nouriel 6D *"Year 6 were lucky to have Emma Carroll visit. She writes historical fiction and her new book is really interesting: its all about vampires! We were delighted that she answered all of our questions about Letters from the Lighthouse and we really enjoy that her writing is full of description and imagery."* Sarah 6L *"Emma Carroll's visit yesterday was exciting because we found out about her new book where she taught us about different types of vampires. We can't wait to read her brand new book and we wonder what she will write next!"* Zuri and Alfie 4JS *"Emma Carroll came into our school and she explained about her new book. In her talk about vampires, she told us that they actually didn't wear capes or all black clothes like we imagined. It was so interesting because we liked the spooky theme. She told us in lots of detail about her inspirations and was a great speaker in assembly."* Sophie and Yonatan 5R





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Reminders:

Thank you to everyone who has completed our End-of-Day Arrangement Form.

If you haven't yet done so, please complete it as soon as possible using the link below. It's essential for us to know your child's end-of-day arrangements so we can ensure their safety.

<https://forms.office.com/e/wgjax76BRW>

Dear Parents/Carers,

If you could spare a few minutes to complete this very quick survey about our school values, we would be very grateful. Having a strong values based ethos is very important to us and it has been a number of years since we asked our community about their own values. We want to make sure that we align your views at home with our values at school. Thanks in advance.

<https://forms.office.com/e/d22NEZZsJv>

Brookland Values 2025/2026



Wellbeing coffee morning and BICs Information Thursday 2nd October:

We have Georgia from BIC's (who provide services to children, young people and families with mental health and wellbeing needs in the borough) joining us for another informative coffee morning. We will meet in the library from 8.40am and the talk starts at 9.00am. This talk's topic is 'Understanding Your Child's Anxiety - and how to help them'.

The talk will be followed by a half an hour drop in where you can talk to Georgia about more specific concerns or questions.

This is an amazing provision that we have been offered as a school and there is no doubt that this additional support will benefit us all and have a positive impact on how we support our children. Mr Greenhouse

Next Week: 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

Further Ahead: Harvest Collection Week

Monday 06th October: Sukkot Sharing Assembly.

Tuesday 07th October: Year 3 visit to St Jude's

Wednesday 08th October: Year 5 visit to North Finchley Mosque

Wednesday 08th October: Year 4 Anglo Saxon Day in school

Thursday 09th October: Gardening club Presentation at Sunnyfield School

Thursday 09th October: NHS Nasal Flu Vaccination for all year groups

Friday 10th October 08:45-9:10am: Parent Drop in for Literacy Week



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Big Writing:

"Dear mum, I hope this letter finds you well and that you got back WVS safely. I am really sorry that I couldn't write to you sooner. It is really difficult to find paper where we are staying. I felt nervous but excited when we got to the station. While we walked into the station, steam hissed from the great engine which loomed like a giant above us. I was so sad when you waved us 'Goodbye' with a teary smile; I have to say that Cliff and I cried our eyes out." Armaan 6P

"The rail journey was so long. It felt like it was never going to stop. On the way, I saw a black & white creature. Someone told me it was a cow! And he said milk comes from it too. I thought it comes like water from a lake then handed to you. When we arrived there, our host came up to us. She's really nice." Ethan 6D

"The moment I stepped inside the train my legs began quivering. I yearned to go back home and stay with you. Ms Clarence, a kind and heart-warming teacher, led me to a deserted carriage where I huddled in a corner. The train started rolling and unleashed its beastly clouds of steam, clouding any view of the outskirts of the city." Nouriel 6D

"In front of me was a beautiful, crystal clear streaming river. It is flowing in the middle of the smooth flat leaves and the lushes green grass. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw some very colourful flowers on the grass." Avantika 3SH

"Next to the river there are some white, hard rocks in the dirty brown mud. I smell nature along with a strong smell of mud. The sound of the lovely, colourful birds chirping in the forest." Hania 3SH

"The tall trees had some beautiful autumn leaves. The smell of the lost leaves wafted up into my nose. The sound of chirping came from the trees." Mia 3B

"In front of me was a diamond stream with big fish. The long stream went on and on and on. As I listened closely, I could hear the small robin singing a movie song." Robin 3B

"Dear King Hrothgar, How are you? I hope things haven't been too awful whilst the greedy Grendle is around. It must be very gruesome to see your people being eaten one by one and it has been pushing pressure on you." Samiara 5R

"I've fought many dangerous creatures before and I'm confident that I can defeat Grendle. For this battle I'll be using what I do my best: my bravery and kindness; my bare cold hand; my strength and gymnastic skills." Sophia 5R

"One day, the shy hedgehog woke up and couldn't see his best friend rabbit so he came out of his cosy burrow looking for her. Suddenly, the squirrel climbed down from a tall tree. 'Who are you and what can you do' chattered squirrel." Nairi 4JS

"One autumn morning, a red squirrel was collecting acorns 'What am I destined to be?' He murmured to himself. He never knew the answer anyways so he started to trudge into the woodlands." Noah 4JS

"A woman (and who I guessed was her son) rushed in. 'Am I too late?' she asked out of breath. The WRVs lady let go of my arm and handed me to the lady. She escorted Ophelia out until an old couple stopped the WRVS lady and protested to take Ophelia. I looked back at the woman as she bent down to introduce herself. Her son shied away behind her back." Myla 6L

"I am writing to you from little Bonton in Surrey. I've been evacuated by a man called Mr Brantlyn. I'm sorry that I was awfully sad. The train journey was beastly. A girl called Emma Caroll stole my book." Adam 6L



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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](#)

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 22nd September - Friday 26th September

Class	3B	3G	3SH	4JS	4K	4S
ATTENDANCE%	95.67%	89.0%	84.0%	87.41%	88.93%	91.33%
PUNCTUALITY%	99.67%	99.67%	99.67%	99.26%	98.21%	99.0%

Class	5A	5AM	5R	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	97.0%	80.67%	88.57%	83.9%	89.67%	85.67%	88.39%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.67%	99.0%	98.93%	99.03%	100%	99.33%	99.04%

Well done to **5A** for having the highest attendance this week.

Congratulations to **6L** for having 100% punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake