



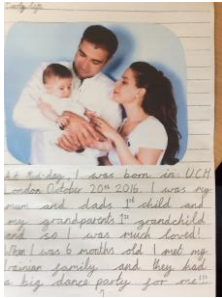
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Friday 03rd October 2025

This Week Was Literacy Week:

In assembly this week we introduced our Literacy Focus Week; Little People Big Dreams. The whole school have been immersed in creating autobiographies or biographies, celebrating what makes each of us special, telling our stories and sharing our Big Dreams for the future. Families are warmly invited to come into school next Friday morning to share our finished books- we can't wait to show you! Thank you as always to our hugely talented and passionate Assistant Head Teacher Miss Davies for inspiring our reading and writing across the school.



Careers Assembly: *"On Tuesday 30th of September 2025, we had a special guest come to our school. His name was Neil Clifford and he is the CEO of Kurt Geiger. He told us many things about his job like how important it is that they have ten sizes of every shoe or how hard it is to make specific ones. Overall he told us a lot and it was really good".* Sophia *"the designs were authentic and fresh and I loved how Kurt Geiger values kindness as a brand! It was so interesting."* Myla *'His main message was to love your job and be kind.'* Seren. Thank you to Lucy Tobin for arranging such inspiring and fascinating careers speakers for year 5 and 6.



"When we arrived at Lincolnsfield, we first went to the air raid shelter which was where 1940s people used to go when there was an air raid and during the Blitz which was period of time where Germany didn't stop bombarding Britain for 10 months. We learnt that when there was a bomb in your house, you didn't call the fire department but you called the army. Next, we went to the museum; we were shocked at how many artefacts there were. We learnt that cigarettes were part of a soldier's diet! After that we went to the house and were greeted by a nice lady who taught us that you couldn't throw anything that was broken away. You had to fix it yourselves. Later we went to the garden where they grew their own food. We learnt that in every garden they needed an Anderson shelter. Lastly, we went to the school. Everyone was scared of the teacher who was really strict. Everybody needed an ID card with them." Maria & Robin 6L





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Last Week:

"At the Sports Ambassador training, we did different activities to learn and show our school. We did catching, races, dishes, skipping and running. Before all of that we were assigned to write different values about sports and what values we need to participate in sports. We had lots of fun there and we are looking forward to show everyone what we learnt." Aaron 5AM *"At the sports ambassadors training, we first talked about all the values we need to have as a sports leader like: patience, kindness, sympathy, respect, determination, quality and loads more. We learnt that we need to show a lot of values to be a good sports ambassador."* Rafaela 5AM

Swimming Contributions:

Thank you to families who have already made payments in Arbor for swimming lessons this school year. The Junior School have weekly lessons for half of each school year; either for the Autumn Term and Spring 1 (year 4 and year 5) or for Spring 2 and the Summer Term (year 3 and year 6). We rely on your parent contributions to make this possible for our children; thank you for enabling our school to provide this vital life skill, physical fitness and enjoyment for all our children every school year.

PA Holiday Art Work:

Thank you for supporting the school by taking part in the Holiday Art Work PA project. You should have received your child's design and order form this week to now order cards, mugs, gift tags and more with your child's design through the classfundraising.co.uk website. The deadline for placing orders is **12 noon Wednesday 8th October**. This is not our deadline so we can't change it!!

Winter Fair help needed from everyone!:

Hopefully you already have Saturday 13th December in your diary for Brookland Junior Winter Fair. This very special community event is much loved by our children, families and staff and raises thousands of pounds for our school. This year the PA are focused on redeveloping and reopening the fenced off playground area. Although December may seem a while away, there is so much to organise and prepare so please look after our amazing PA team and support our school by volunteering in any way you can.

BICS Coffee Morning:

Today we were joined by Georgia from BICS for another informative session on **anxiety**, including how to validate your child's feelings and some helpful coping strategies. *(Please see attached the PowerPoint of the session)* The parent drop-in also provided a valuable space for some of you to share specific challenges and receive more tailored advice and support. I've attached the PDF of today's presentation, which includes a link to an **exceptionally good audiobook** that's part of the recommended reading.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, 16th October**, and will focus on:
Helping Children (and Ourselves) Thrive: The Power of Self-Compassion vs Self-Esteem.

We look forward to welcoming you for a coffee, tea, and a friendly chat.

Food Bank Aid:

Brookland Junior School is proud to be a Breakfast Champion for Food Bank Aid!

We're collecting boxes of cereal to help make sure no child starts the day hungry; this is particularly requested by our local food bank.

[Donations welcome: Monday 6th – Friday 10th October 2025](#)

We're also gratefully accepting other non-perishable foods (tins, pasta, rice, sauces, long-life milk) and hygiene products (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, sanitary items).

Together we can fight hunger and give every child the best start to their day. Year 4 Team



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Next Week: Harvest Collection Week- see attached

Monday 6th October: Sukkot Assembly led by 6P

Tuesday 7th October: Year 3 visit to St Jude's Church

Wednesday 8th October: Year 5 visit to North Finchley Mosque

Wednesday 8th October: Year 4 Anglo Saxon Day in school

Thursday 9th October pm: Gardening club Presentation at Sunnyfield School

Thursday 9th October: NHS Nasal Flu Vaccination for all year groups

Friday 10th October 08:45-9:15am: Parent Drop in for Literacy Week Little People Big Dreams

Friday 10th October 3.20: mixed football team match v Barnfield School

Further Ahead: Black History Month focus week

Monday 13th October: Year 6 NHS height & weight national survey

Tuesday 14th October 9am : Year 3 & 4 parents "supporting reading and writing workshop" with Miss Davies in the Library

Wednesday 15th October: Year 4 Harvest Assembly to whole school

Wednesday 15th October: Year 5 and 6 parents "supporting reading and writing workshop" with Miss Davies in the Library

Thursday 16th October 9am: SEN Coffee Morning for parents in the library with Miss Lucas

Friday 17th October: Show Racism The Red Card – Wear something red today

Big Writing:

"Albert Einstein was born in Ulm, Württemberg, Germany on 14th March 1879. He was born into a Jewish family and had a little sister called Maja. His mother managed the household and cared for him and his sister. Growing up Albert had delayed speech which meant that he did not speak until the age of four. A Stamford economist, De Thomas Sowell, actually used the term 'Einstein Syndrome' as a way to describe when smart people's speech got delayed. As a child, Albert had extreme temper tantrums and would throw things around but after a while it got better." Tori 6P

"At the age of 8 (in Spain) I set the flat alight with my black top! Don't ask me how!" Logan 6D

"On a very sunny day, I was born. One funny thing that happened to me was I crawled into the bottom of my pushchair. My family is special because my parents and grandparents used to rock me to sleep and gave me dolls."

Ariana 3B

"At the ripe age of six, I got my first audition. I was apprehensive but excited. I still remember the ring, ring of the phone call. And my tornado of excitement when my mum came and told me I scored the part! On a random Monday in October, I arrived in Central London to record a voice over for a TV show called Hotel Portofino." Myla 6L

"I started ballet and at first I like it but a few years later, I hated it. That's why I left. I started ballet in 2018 and finished in 2024. In 2021, I had my first rhythm gymnastic competition and I came 3rd. My dream is to become a professional gymnast." Sophia 6L

"In 2017 when I was 3, I started Brookland nursery and I started taking a liking for sports especially football and I began playing football daily." Gabe 6L

"One ragingly hot day a baboon woke up without his microphone. He was furious but then he went on a search for his microphone. On the way he met a Rhino." Dorothy 4S



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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 29th September - Friday 3rd October

Class	3B	3G	3SH	4JS	4K	4S
ATTENDANCE%	94.0%	91.33%	86.33%	84.81%	90.36%	92.0%
PUNCTUALITY%	100%	99.67%	100%	99.33%	99.67%	99.33%

Class	5A	5AM	5R	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	96.0%	87.67%	88.21%	86.45%	91.33%	89.33%	89.68%
PUNCTUALITY%	97.67%	99.0%	100%	99.35%	99.67%	98.33%	99.35%

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

Congratulations to **3B, 3SH & 5R** for having 100% punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake