



# Brookland Junior School News



Friday 06<sup>th</sup> March 2026

## This Week:

5AM entertained and impressed everyone with their superb class assembly sharing a number of traditional tales from their English lessons with incredible creativity, confidence and energy. Brilliant singing, dancing, fabulous acting, dazzling lighting and wonderful teamwork. Your parents and the whole school thoroughly enjoyed your assembly and we can see you did too!



I saw so many proud year 3 children and parents walking in the gate this week carefully carrying their fabulous Stone Age Museum exhibits. I am very impressed with the huge range of ways they have chosen to create their exhibits and the time and effort they have put into their homework. Well done year 3! Here are a few of 3B's creations.



*We went to Gunnersbury Park for a Victorian Day. We had the best time! We got to experience what life would be like as a Victorian child in a school and as a maid in a big Victorian house. Some of us were given punishments and we did maths on chalkboards. We got to clean the floors and think about the lives of maids and butlers in the Victorian times. We had a lovely time. 4JS*





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In assembly this week, we considered our Brookland Value of Thoughtfulness and enjoyed 3SH leading our assembly to mark the colourful and joyful Hindu festival of Holi. We also congratulated 3B on an unprecedented double attendance trophy for the highest attendance (98.27%) AND the highest punctuality (99.52%) for last half term. Very impressive indeed!

## World Book Day:

Thank you to all the parents who came in to school yesterday to share a great read and enjoy seeing all the World Book Day characters. It was a lovely way to celebrate the power of reading for both learning and wellbeing. It was also the perfect day for Miss Davies to let me know she has been invited to be a lead judge for the UKLA national book awards, a testament to the expertise she brings to our school.





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## Contributions for trips, teams, events, parent donations:

As we near the end of the financial year, please can I gently remind parents to check that they are up to date with any Arbor payments so we can be as accurate as possible in closing this year's budget and begin to prepare our budget plans for 2026/27. If you want to check or complete a parent donation this year to support our curriculum resources, you can find this in Arbor in the payments section. Thank you

## Government Consultation on proposed SEN strategy:

The government has published its White Paper "Every Child Achieving and Thriving" setting out its current national plans for education. It has also published a consultation document for parents and professionals to respond to the proposed SEN reforms. You can find the consultation document here if you would like to find out more and share your views:

<https://consult.education.gov.uk/send-strategy-division/send-reform-putting-children-and-young-people-firs/>

## Golden Sentences:

*First, I started touching different objects. I was touching a tree, birds, and the palace. Elated, I skipped back to the palace, turning everything in my path to gold.* Aysan 4S

*I wish I could take back my devastating wish and I hate my curse. I am so stupid."* Kiara 4S

*"Why do I have to go to prison and is it illegal to ask for sugar?" complained the wolf as he sat in his pen.* Niamh 3B

*My son was too little to understand so he came and hugged me and I knew he would turn into gold for touching me, despite the tears running down my face!* Leah 4K

*Humiliated, I did not open the door to anyone. Horrified, I begged for help. Ashamed I wondered if I could undo my wish. Desperate, I tried to reverse this curse.* Averie 4JS

*Annoyed, I regret my wish. Depressed, I felt so guilty. I thought to myself what have I done? It may be the worst day of my life.* Harper 4jS

*Dark, Still, Damp, Cold & Dull. Clocks lined up in a row ticking and tocking with no thought at all. Fish reflected from swinging pendulums. Ding! Dong! Cuckoo! Cuckoo!* Bella 6P

*The man grabs another clock, feeling proud: he only needs one more clock to complete his collection. At the edge of his right eye, he spots a little girl holding the last clock. The legendary pale blue & delicate green, the final clock that was about to be his. A smile showed on the clock master's face, feeling proud as if it was already his!* Uriya 6D

*Clocks, all types of clocks, pendulum clocks, pocket clocks, all ticking in harmony. Fish speeding, calmly under the water. It was a very calm morning. The water breeze swished round & round on coral and seaweed!* Oliver 6D

*Then the man looked up. He thought everything was fine. At least that's what he thought. Out in the shadows a car approached. It came closer & closer until a crack appeared. It grew bigger & bigger & BIGGER!* Ethan 6D

*But just then he saw something "A... A... A girl?" He mumbled "How? W...What? When?!" "Just give me the clock the man shouted."* Savannah 6L

*Searching the derelict streets and abandoned town centre, his eyes settled on an abandoned toy store. Somebody could not be in there, he had locked that door seven years ago. He stifled tears. That had been when he lost his family.* Jamie 6P



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## **The Swan Poems:**

*The beautiful swan moves across the peaceful lake.*

*The swan is a ballerina.*

*The feathers are as fluffy as a cloud.*

*It moves across the lake gracefully.*

*The swan's neck arches over everyone.*

*The opalescent feathers shine over everyone.*

*It moves across the lake gracefully.*

*The water stops moving, it stands still as the swan crosses. Lottie 5R*

*Its feathers are clouds, guided by the wind.*

*The swan, a shining light in the dark sky.*

*Its neck arched like a bridge towering tall. Theo 5R*

*From dawn's first blush to twilight's hue,*

*The swan's elegance, forever new.*

*A timeless dance, a graceful sight,*

*A vision of beauty in pure white light. Aaron 5AM*

*The swan is a floating ruby,*

*She is never quite that moody.*

*Water caressing the swan like a queen*

*It is almost as if she is in a dream. Holly 5AM*

*A feathered grace upon the lake*

*A swan so pure, with a neck like silk*

*So long & and fine,*

*A gliding dance,*

*A beauty divine. Maksym 5AM*

*A swan is a dancer gliding on the lake.*

*Like feathers of light sweeping the stream.*

*A swan is a queen with an endless reign.*

*A swan is a show of tranquillity, leaving behind pain.*

*A swan is calm. A swan is a dream.*

*A swan is serene.*

*A swan is twilight shining through the lush lilac lake. Noa 5AM*

## **Jelly Beans:**

Please note there is no Jelly Beans on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March, the last day of this term. Children need to be collected at 1:30 from School.





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## International Women's programme 2026:

For International Women's Month, Unitas Zone is offering four Taekwondo self-defence sessions for Mothers and daughters. Mothers with boys are also welcome to participate. The sessions take place on Saturday 7, 14, 21 and 28 March. Please see the poster attached to this newsletter for more info.

## BIC Coffee Morning:

Next Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Georgia will be coming in to speak to parents about the importance of sleep. Good sleep helps your body and mind stay healthy, happy, and ready for the day. Calm bedtime routines—like reading, dimming lights, and avoiding screens—tell your brain it's time to rest. When you sleep well, you wake up with more energy, better focus, and a more positive mood. Building good sleep habits leads to calmer nights and brighter, more successful days. As always 8.45am Coffee in Library - talk and 9.30am Q and A. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Falldon Way safety for Parents and children:

A resident has informed us that the bollards and other lights on the traffic island as you turn out of Brookland Rise onto Falldon are not working making it dangerous to cross here from the bus stop. The pedestrian crossing is the safest place to cross over and worth a few more steps to keep you safe.



## Next Week:

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 6pm:** Barnet Dance Festival @ Arts Depot

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March:** Magistrates visiting Year 6

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 6pm:** Full Governing Body Meeting in the Infant Hall

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 4-7pm 6P parent consultations**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 9am: 4S Ancient Greece Class Assembly for parents in the hall. Please do stay for coffee if you are able**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2pm:** Year 5 & 6 STEM Theatre Performance

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March:** 5A visit to the British Museum

## Further Ahead: Week of 16<sup>th</sup> March: Neurodiversity Focus Week

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March: Parents Consultation 4- 7pm – Booking a slot in Arbor will go live on 10<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Eve Wersocki Morris Author visit (part of neurodiversity week)

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 11.30:** Governors lunch with school council

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 3:30-4:30pm: Olive Catering School Lunch sampling in the dining hall for parents**

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 6 yearbook photos

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March: Parent Consultations 4-7pm**



## Olive Dining Parent Taster

Olive Dining would like to invite parents and carers to  
**BROOKLANDS JUNIOR SCHOOL, TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 3:30PM - 4:30PM**

Please join us to sample some of our delicious hot food and meet our Olive Dining team to learn more about the quality food and service we provide.  
We look forward to seeing you.



### ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Class	3B	3G	3SH	4JS	4K	4S
ATTENDANCE%	95.0%	96.0%	98.67%	97.86%	97.93%	99.31%
PUNCTUALITY%	98.33%	99.67%	98.67%	98.93%	100%	100%

Class	5A	5AM	5R	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	94.33%	98.67%	96.0%	98.33%	99.0%	96.67%	97.30%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.67%	99.33%	100%	98.67%	99.67%	98.67%	99.04%

Well done to **4S** for having the highest attendance this week.

Congratulations to **4K, 4S & 5R** for having 100% punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake