



Brookland Junior School News



Friday 8th May 2026

This Week:

In assembly this week, we learned about the amazing work and impact of Sir David Attenborough as he turns 100. We thought about our Brookland Value of cooperation and the different skills, ideas, knowledge and interests we bring to our class teams. We congratulated the classes who had been awarded attendance badges and trophies. Well done 3G and 3B for 100% attendance for a full week. Congratulations to 3B for the highest class punctuality for the second half of Spring Term at 99.6% and, very impressively, 6L were awarded the trophy for the highest class attendance for the second half of Spring Term at 97.07%! Thank you to all our families for ensuring our children are in school and on time for every possible day, helping them to achieve their best and thrive at school.

Thank you 5A for a lovely class assembly sharing the story and celebration of Nowruz with your parents and the whole school. You impressed us with your growing independence, confident singing and acting, great tech skills, costumes and super characters. You really showed us what a successful team you are and everyone thoroughly enjoyed learning all about this important festival.



On Tuesday, Ranger Stu came and showed us his different classification of animals: Reptiles, Amphibians, Mammals, Birds & Fish. There were tarantulas, a hedgehog, tamarind, tortoise, snake & armadillo. Everyone got a chance to stroke one. Kiana & Noah G 4K



Book Sale:

On Friday the 1st & Thursday the 7th May, we did a book sale to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital and half for the school. We sold over a hundred books & raised £88.30. We picked Great Ormond Street Hospital because they take care of sick children who deserve a lot of help & support. We would like to thank our parents, Miss Clayton and Miss Davies for helping us on Friday. Holly, Noa & Amelia 5AM





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Today, we said goodbye to Mrs Capelan:

We said a very fond farewell and a huge thank you to Mrs Capelan for the incredible contribution she has made to our school and the impact she has had on hundreds of our pupils over the last 23 years. Mrs Capelan has been deeply touched by all the kind messages, cards and gifts from so many children, parents and former pupils and moves to Bristol with many many wonderful memories and knowing she is much loved by our school.



Next Week: This week is National SATs testing Week for Year 6

The staff are already very proud of the attitude to learning, academic progress and support for each other from our wonderful year 6 students who are well on their way to being ready to make a confident start to secondary school in September. Next week is national SATs testing week which comes with a lot of procedures, rules and regulations for schools and requires some adjustments to our school routines and additional staffing in year 6. Thank you for your understanding if we are a little less available next week and thank you for ensuring the school is as calm and quiet as possible. Every one of our 90 year 6 pupils deserves the very best opportunity to show off their knowledge. Year 6 parents, thank you for your support as our children reach this important week. I know you will make sure everyone is here in good time but if there are any issues at all with attendance or lateness, please just call the office and let us know as soon as possible.

Tuesday 12th May: Ms Knight Block Printing with 3SH

Wednesday 13th May: Ms Knight Block Printing with 3B

Thursday 15th May: Ms Knight Block Printing with 3G

Further Ahead:

Monday 18th May: Headteacher's Award Assembly & Tea

Tuesday 19th May 9am in the hall: Year 5 parents' talk on secondary transfer. Year 4 parents also welcome.

Tuesday 19th May: PA Disco – Year 3 & 4

Wednesday 20th May 9am in the hall: 3SH Edward Tulane Class Assembly for parents and carers. Do please stay for coffee if you are able.

Thursday 21st May: PA Disco – Year 5 & 6

Friday 22nd May: International Family Day PA card making workshop at lunchtime

Friday 22nd May 8.50-: Parents invited into class to play times tables games with the children

Stem Dorado Magazine:

Stem Dorado Science Magazine Volume 13 is now available online. It's fascinating, has great local connections and comes highly recommended by Brookland pupils and staff. You can go to the link below:

https://online.fliphtml5.com/dqwe/SD_Science-vol-13/#p=1



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Vacancy for a teaching assistant position

We are currently looking for a caring, skilled and enthusiastic person to join our staff team from September. We have a number of applications already but if you or anyone you know might be a strong candidate to support our children and teachers the job advert is on our website: [Brookland Junior School - Vacancies](#) and the closing date is Thursday 14th May.

Parent Governor Election:

Thank you to the 3 parents who are offering their time, skills and knowledge to support Brookland Junior and Brookland Infant and Nursery Schools as a parent governor. All parents should have received an email this afternoon explaining the voting process with an online voting link this afternoon. Thank you in advance for taking the time to vote for this very important position. It is also possible to request a paper ballot form.

Golden Sentences:

It is widely acknowledged that many people argue that social media should have a limit for children and teenagers under 16. This is because they could be endangered by maybe talking to strangers & could be giving them personal information. Over the years we have seen the development of social media. Aria 6L

In conclusion, after observing both sides of the argument, some people believe that social media should be limited since children could experience cyberbullying; others however, say that social media shouldn't be limited since it can help with interaction & creativity. Sarah 6L

Bob was a thriving, helpful boy who has a wild imagination. One moonless, scary night at 3am, he couldn't rest at all! Unexpectedly a menacing, red glow appeared in his green, astonishing bright wardrobe. Yedel 4JS

Jeff was in his cosy, calm and comfortable bed, sleeping peacefully when he was woken up abruptly by a glowing green light coming from the brown humungous wardrobe. Toby 4JS

I was stuck in that terrible ocean for 291 days. It was torture!!! At the bottom of the ocean, I screamed your name. I looked everywhere for you but there was no sign of you. Elena 3B

Dear Abilene, hopefully, you remember me. I'm your, used to be selfish, rabbit but please forgive me. I've changed. Lots of things have taught me lessons so I hope you come to forgive me. Amber 3SH

He spoke softly & kindly. It was perfect. My pride was disappearing and my love started to show. Lira 3SH

People from the Caribbean moved to the UK because of trouble, jobs, healthcare. Leo 3B



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Free Dr Bike sessions in Barnet

Free Dr Bike sessions run by qualified bicycle mechanics. Members of the public can take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, including checks on the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required.

Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Finchley, Lodge Lane car park	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction Rooms N12 8JH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 13 May• 8 July• 9 September• 11 November• 13 January 2027• 10 March 2027	4pm to 7pm
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 May• 15 July• 16 September• 18 November• 20 January 2027• 17 March 2027	4pm to 7pm
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The Burroughs, NW4 4BL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10 June• 12 August• 14 October• 9 December• 10 February 2027	4pm to 7pm
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd car park	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance (EN5 4LR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 17 June• 19 August• 21 October• 16 December• 17 February 2027	4pm to 7pm