



Brookland Infant and Nursery School

26/9/25

Letter No. 4

Friday 26th September

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Message from Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Shanah Tova to everyone who has been celebrating this week. We hope you enjoyed a special time with family and friends as you welcomed the new year.

At Brookland Infant and Nursery School, we are proud to be a truly diverse community, with children from a wide range of cultural, linguistic, and religious backgrounds. Our school reflects the vibrant Barnet community we all live and work in, and we value the richness this brings to school life. We believe schools play an important role in helping children develop

pride in their heritage, while also learning to appreciate and respect the experiences of others. This October, during **Black History Month**, all children will take part in a variety of activities designed to celebrate the lives of famous black people as part of our curriculum.

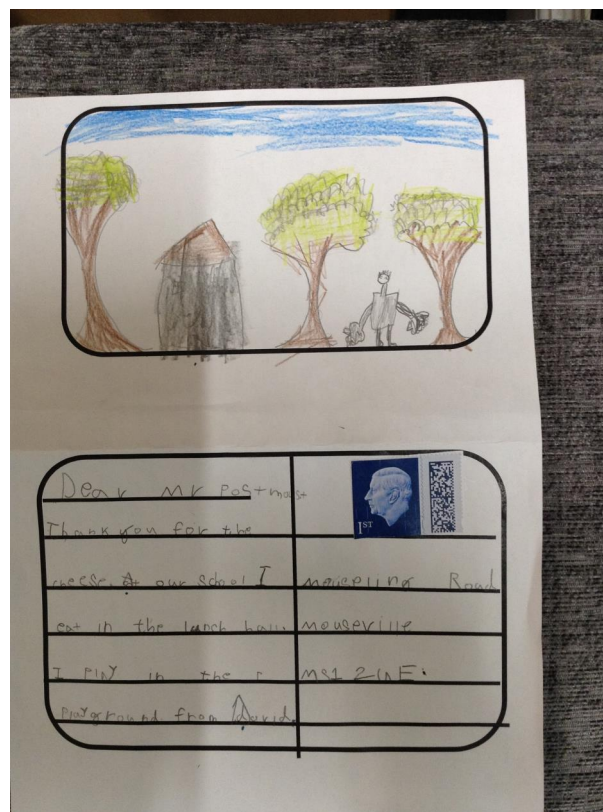
Brenda McCafferty

Headteacher

Be Kind, Grow Together, Learn Forever

This Week in Photos

Please have a look at the week in photos.





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Louis

What makes you marvellous?

I am... kind and helpful

How can you be more marvellous?

I can be... honest and healthy

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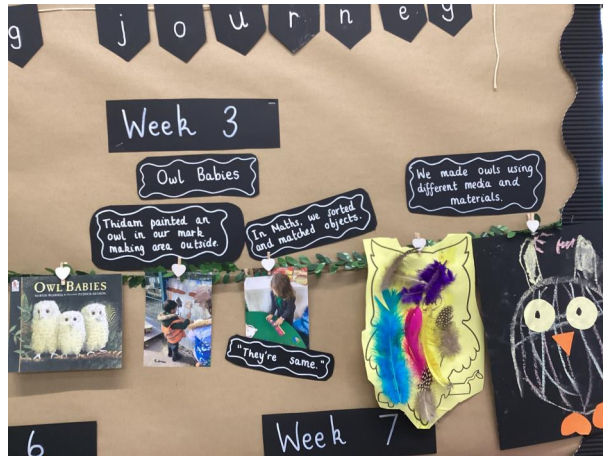
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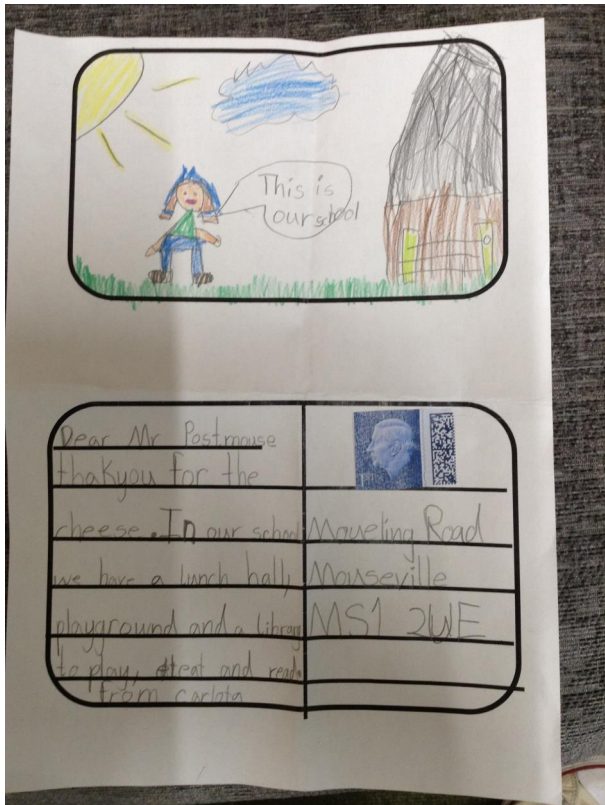
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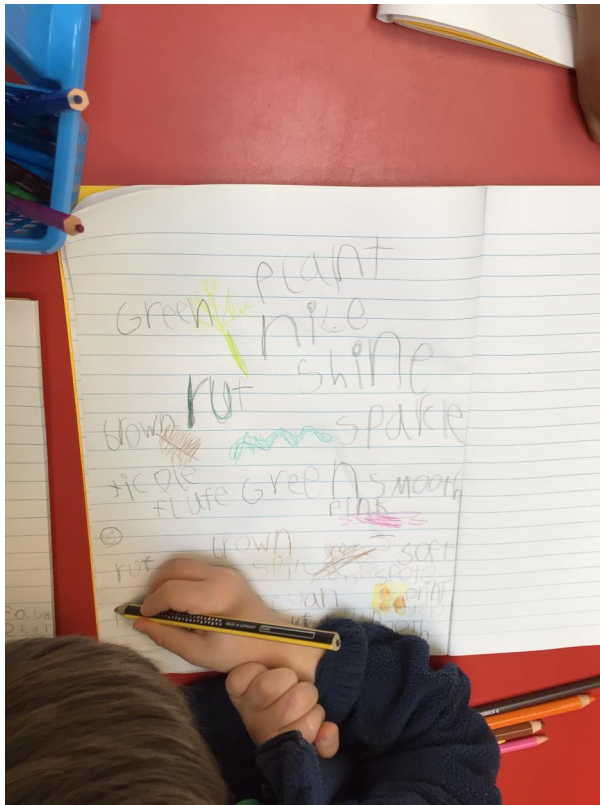
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New PA Committee

We are pleased to announce the results of the Parents Association AGM held on 25th September. Congratulations to the new members on their appointments, and we thank them for their commitment to our school community:

Chair / Co Chair:

Abhitanshu Khare (Cheetahs)

Shruti Sethia (Cheetahs)

Treasurer/Co-Treasurer:

Luke Smith (Dolphins)

Secretary:

Cristina Cortes (Giraffes)

Sales Lead:

Bibiana Dangoor (Hedgehogs)

Events Lead:

Shruti Sethia (Cheetahs)

Volunteer Coordinator:

Mia Zikic (Dolphins)

We look forward to another fantastic year! If you'd still like to get involved, please contact us at brooklandinfantschoolpa@gmail.com

Harvest Collections

We are very pleased to support the Foodbank Aid. They will deliver your donations to food banks across North London. They need our support this year more than ever. Please see the poster below which indicates what each class is collecting. Thank you so much for your support with this.


**BROOKLAND INFANT
AND NURSERY SCHOOL
IS COLLECTING FOR
FOOD BANK AID**



**THIS AUTUMN, FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY WILL
STRUGGLE TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR CHILDREN**

Food Bank Aid helps feed over 20,000 people (inc 5,000 children) a week by supporting food banks in North London.

DONATIONS BY CLASS

OWLS:	dried pasta	
HEDGEHOGS:	any cereal or porridge oats	
GIRAFFES:	packet or tinned soup	
ELEPHANTS:	tea or coffee	
PENGUINS:	rice	
BEARS:	sugar	
DOLPHINS:	tinned tomatoes	
PANDAS:	tinned beans	
TURTLES:	tinned fruit	
LIONS, TIGERS & CHEETAHS:	long life milk, soap or toothpaste	
ALL CLASSES:	sanitary products	

Please bring your donations to school from
MONDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER - FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Thank you!

Food Bank Aid registered charity no. 1194314

Swimming Contributions

If you haven't done so already can Year 2 please pay the swimming contributions for this term on Arbor. It s £60 for the term and £40 if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium. Thank you.

Individual Photos

The school photographer will be visiting on Wednesday 1st October. Sibling photos can be taken before school only, between 8:00am and 8:45am in the Infant school hall. All other individual photos will be taken during the school day.

Toys in school

Please can I remind parents and carers that children should not be bringing in toys to school. We seem to have lots of arguments about Labubu dolls. They should not be brought into school. Thank you.

Speech and Language Therapist

Meet the speech and language therapist session on **Monday 29th September at 9:00 a.m.**

Do you have any concerns about your child's speech development or their language and communication skills? Are you waiting for a referral to the speech and language therapy service? Has your child already been seen by a speech and language therapist and you would like further support? If you have answered yes to any of these questions come along to the session on Monday 29th September for some advice and helpful strategies

Request

Please can I ask parents and carers not to take photos of the children when they are in class. We have had some reports of parents/carers taken photos at the end of the day through the window. We have lots of children where parents haven't given permission for their child's photo to be taken. Thank you.

Gold Book

The children have all worked very hard this week, but the following children's work has been celebrated this week in Gold Book Assembly. Well done to all these children.



Penguin class:

1. Amara for being a caring and helpful member of the class.
 2. Ayaka for working so hard in English and writing labels for different objects.
- Play Expert: Paivy for playing lovely games with his friends and following playground rules.



Bear class:

1. Miran for making a good effort to focus on his writing and maths. He did a great job labelling the body.
 2. Isla for taking her time in counting on and being careful when labelling the body.
- Play Expert: Huxley for being kind and friendly in the playground and caring about others.



Elephant Class:

1. Olivia for developing her use of colour and line in art. She created a beautiful spiral picture.
2. Emilia for fantastic listening and participation in all lessons. She is always hard working and shows a positive attitude towards her learning.

- Play Expert: Zach for playing very suitable games and including others on the playground



Owl class:

1. Ethan for his great work in handwriting. He has been working on forming his letters correctly.
 2. Deniz for good work in maths. she has been working on partitioning numbers in different ways.
- Play Expert: Ava for always following the Golden Rules.



Giraffe class:

1. Edward for independently using the phonic mats to support his spellings, this has helped him to become a super star speller!
2. Kiki for her growing confidence when answering questions. She often shots her hand up to answers questions.

- Play Expert: Mishka for always being kind to everyone in the playground and following the playground rules.



Hedgehog class:

1. Alma for her fantastic sentence writing about her diarama; taking care to remember her punctuation.
 2. Jozef for always contributing great ideas and showing fantastic focus during lessons.
- Play Expert: Zaynab for always being kind and playing nicely with her friends.

NO SMOKING



Smoking is strictly prohibited on school premises to ensure the health and safety of all children, staff, parents/carers and visitors. Recently, there has been a report of someone smoking while entering the grounds and discarding their cigarette butt afterwards. This not only poses a serious fire hazard but also sets a poor example for the children and creates an

unsafe environment. We ask everyone to respect the no-smoking policy and help us keep our school clean, safe, and healthy for all.

Next week will be Dinner Menu 2!

Attendance Data

0 DAYS OFF 190 DAYS ATTENDED	100%	★ PERFECTION ★ "EXCELLENT ACHIEVEMENT"
4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	98%	IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	96%	NEARLY THERE
9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	95%	CAN BE IMPROVED "INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF BETTER GRADES"
11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE
20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	90%	SERIOUS CONCERNS "CLASSED AS A PERSISTENT ABSENTEE" referred to Education Welfare Service
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85%	RISK OF PROSECUTION "can be damaging to a student's social, emotional and mental wellbeing"
38 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	80%	

Attendance for week beginning 22nd September 2025

Overall attendance for the school was 90.8%

Reception Attendance

Turtle class: 92.92% Dolphin class: 93.67% Panda class: 86.75%

Key Stage 1 Attendance

Bear class: 91.08% Elephant class: 89.81% Penguin class: 94.07%

Giraffe class: 95.63% Hedgehog class: 88.39% Owl class: 84.26%

Well done to the **Dolphin Class** for the highest attendance this week in EYFS.

Well done to the **Giraffe Class** for the highest attendance this week in KS1.

12 Ways to Help Your Child Make Friends

Building friendships is one of the key purposes of education. In the early years especially, the social side of school plays a vital role in helping children learn how to connect with others at such an important stage in their development. Children who grow up well-socialised are more likely to become well-adjusted adults and active, positive members of society.

Of course, making friends doesn't always come easily. For some children, learning to navigate the ups and downs of new relationships can feel challenging, but it is an essential

part of growing up. To support this, ACAMH Learn has created a webinar with Dr. Eileen Kennedy-Moore, offering helpful insights and strategies for children's social development.

You can watch the webinar here: 10.13056/acamh.13732

Barnet Children's Integrated Therapies



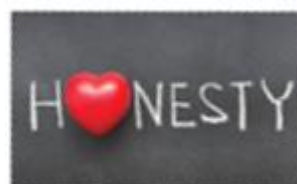
Whittington Health
NHS Trust

Barnet Children's Integrated Therapies Telephone Advice Sessions

-  Book a telephone or video call
-  Speak to a Speech and Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist or Physiotherapist
-  Discuss your concerns
Get advice and strategies
Get ideas on next steps and new targets
-  For Parents, Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Nursery staff - anyone supporting a child
-  We work with interpreters if needed

 To book please call 020 3316 8900 or email whh-tr.barnetcit@nhs.net

Brookland Values



RESPECT



TOLERANCE

Nut-Free School (this also includes after school clubs)



We would like to remind all parents and carers that our school is strictly *nut free* in order to keep children with severe nut allergies safe. This includes items such as peanut puffs, hazelnut spread biscuits or dip pots, and other products containing nuts, including pesto, Nutella and Bamba snacks.

While nut allergies are not airborne, there is a significant risk from traces left on hands, play equipment, or classroom surfaces, which could cause a serious reaction in children with allergies.

We also kindly ask that no nuts or nut-containing items are brought onto the school site at any time, including at pick-up. We have recently noticed parents offering pistachios as a snack at the end of the day, but unfortunately these are not permitted.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding in helping us keep every child safe.

Dates for Your Diary

September

Monday 29th Bring in Harvest donations

Monday 29th 9.00 a.m. SLT coffee morning for parents and carers

October

Wednesday 1st start of Black History Month

Wednesday 1st 8.00 a.m. Sibling photos taken in the hall and Individual photos during school time

Friday 3rd 9.15 a.m. Giraffe Class Assembly: Harvest

Friday 10th 9.15 a.m. Y2 Performance Assembly

Wednesday 15th 9.00 a.m. English workshop for parents/carers

Thursday 16th 11.00 a.m. Reading buddies (information only)

Friday 17th 9.15 a.m. Elephant Class Assembly: Diwali

Friday 17th 2.00 p.m. SEND coffee and chat

Monday 20th 9.00 a.m. Y2 Let Your Child Explain (in class)

Tuesday 21st 9.00 a.m. Y1 Let Your Child Explain (in class)

Friday 24th Nasal flu vaccinations for Reception, Y1 and Y2

Friday 24th 3.15 p.m. PA Cake Sale

HALF TERM Monday 27th – Friday 31st

Contact Us

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