



Brookland Infant and Nursery School

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Message from Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a very busy first half term, we welcomed lots of new children and families to the school who have shown us that they are already very much part of our Brookland community. The children in all year groups have worked incredibly hard and have made very good progress with their learning. You will be able to speak to the class teachers about this during parent teacher consultations which will take place after half term.

In Year 1 the children loved their topic 'Marvellous Me' and in Year 2 the children have loved their topic 'The World is in our Hands'. Nursery and Reception have enjoyed their "All about me" topics.

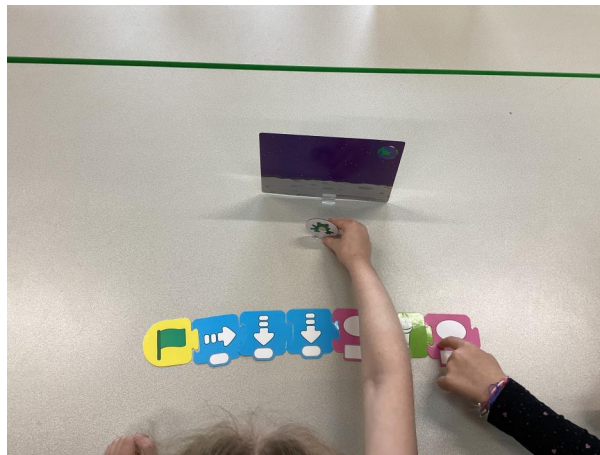
Brenda McCafferty

Headteacher

Be Kind, Grow Together, Learn Forever

This Week in Photos

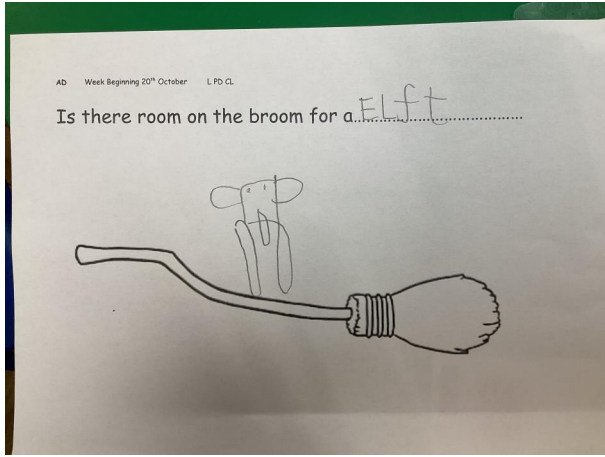
Please have a look at the week in photos.



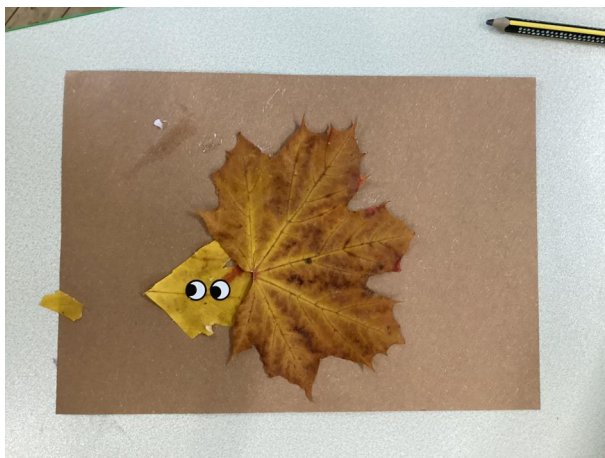
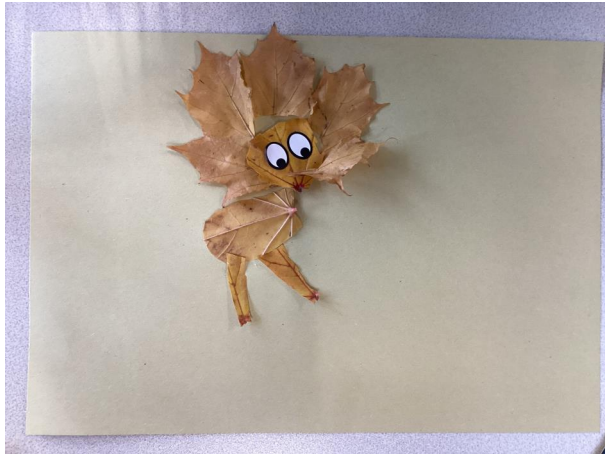












Gold Book

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.



1. Teddy for his amazing writing. He wrote lots of sentences with capital letters and full stops. He took care with his spellings and handwriting.
2. Amira for fantastic effort in both PE lessons this week, demonstrating impressive ball and skipping skills.
- Play Expert: Evie for being a supportive and helpful friend, always ready to help her friends.



1. Isla for always trying her best and for writing some beautiful sentences this week.

2. Rafi for showing his best effort all the time this week and challenging himself in his learning.
- Play Expert: Miran for following instructions so well outside.



1. Hana H for working very hard on her sentence writing and checking her punctuation and spellings.
 2. Isaac for his amazing maths skills and using known facts when solving addition problems.
- Play Expert: Ascia for being a good friend and playing nice games outside.



1. Stephanie for stepping forward into her role as school councillors with great maturity and consideration.
 2. Sammy for stepping forward into his role as school councillors with great maturity and consideration.
- Play Expert: Ayesha for being such a kind and friendly member of the Hedgehog class.



1. Ioulia for showing a Growth Mindset when going swimming. She went into the pool for the first time and loved it. We were all so proud.
 2. Abdullah for his of sentence starters and neat handwriting when doing his character description.
- Play Expert: Sofia for always looking after others in the playground.



1. Yohan for his great work in maths. e has been using his Growth Mindset to make his number bonds to 10 and 20.
 2. Emma for her great work in art. She used her Growth Mindset to draw and paint some leaves and created a lovely background.
- Play Expert: Rojan for always following the Golden Rules and being a good friend.

Let Your Child Explain

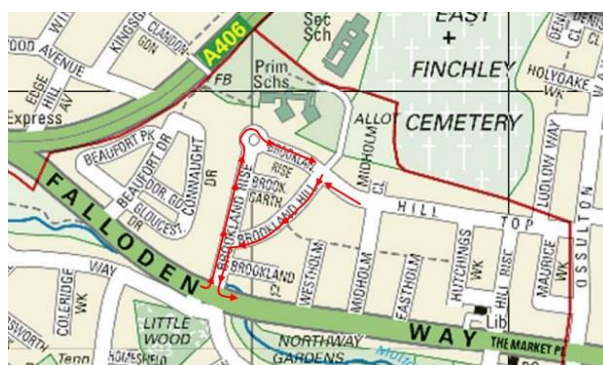
We hope you enjoyed looking through your child's books this week and were proud of their learning. We have seen some lovely comments made by parents and carers in their child's books.

Half Term Activities

Over half term libraries have some great activities lined up. Children can learn how to DJ and explore Afrobeats sounds at Superstar DJs. For Green Libraries Week, take part in Seeds of Change, an eco-craft activity with seed planting. There's a Sing, Story and Sign session for children to learn some simple British Sign Language and a solar system coding and robotics workshop. There are craft events to celebrate Halloween and a spooky drama workshop based on the book 'Room on the Broom'. Like a Choose Your Own Adventure book, 'Lose the Path, Find Your Way' is an interactive show with enchanting movement, music and puppetry. Booking is required for some events. All events are free or low cost.

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/events/all?f%5B0%5D=type%3ASchool%20holiday%20event>

Voluntary One-Way System



Please can we remind everyone there is a voluntary one-way system in place to help ease the congestion at drop off and pick up times. Please see the image which shows you exactly how the voluntary one-way system works. If you have other people helping with drop off or pick up please could you inform them of the one-way system as well please. Thank you

The week after half term will be Dinner Menu 3!

Fireworks Night



Brookland Infant School
Hill Top
NW11 6EJ

**BROOKLAND FIREWORKS
NIGHT**

Saturday, 8 November
16:00-18:00

Join us for great food, fun and a spectacular fire show on the most anticipated night of the school year!

TICKETS
£8 CHILD
£12 ADULT

SCAN ME

Scan the code to secure your tickets!
Kids under 3 go free with ticket.

The poster features a dark blue background with yellow and white fireworks exploding. The text is in yellow and white. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner, and a silhouette of a person pointing towards the fireworks is in the bottom right corner.

Lettings

School Hall Available for Hire

Looking for the perfect venue for your next event? Our versatile school hall is available to hire for community events, fitness classes, performances, meetings, private functions and more.

Featuring ample space, lots of natural light and on-site parking, it's an ideal setting for gatherings.

Enquire today to check availability and secure your date!

To Book:

- Email schooladmin@brooklandinf.barnet.sch.uk for a booking form and letting guidelines
- Check your requested date is available and wait for us to confirm if it is free to book.

- Complete the forms once a date has been selected as soon as possible so you do not miss out. You will be sent an invoice with the costs and what is to be paid.
- Costs: £50 deposit to secure the date, £148 to be paid 3 weeks before your event.
Total Cost: £198
- ***Please note: The hall booking times for the weekend are 10:30am-1:30pm only.***

Crazy Hair Day

🎉 **Crazy Hair Day Success!** What a *hair-raisingly* fun day it's been! We loved seeing so many children come to school with their wild, wacky, and wonderfully creative hairstyles — all in support of our Parents' Association. Thanks to your amazing participation, we raised an incredible **£330!**

















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 "CLASSIFIED 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 20th October 2025

Overall attendance for the school was 93.69%

Reception Attendance

Turtle class: 87.5%

Dolphin class: 96.19%

Panda class: 87.69%

Key Stage 1 Attendance

Bear class: 96.67%

Elephant class: 90.56%

Penguin class: 96%

Giraffe class: 96.4%

Hedgehog class: 95.95%

Owl class: 98.64%

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

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

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will be held on Monday 17th November and Thursday 20th November. Both days the consultations will be between 4-7pm. It will be an opportunity for you to speak to your child's class teacher and discuss how they are doing with their learning. You will be able to sign up for your 10-minute slot through Arbor from 7am on Thursday 6th November.

Brookland Values





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 nuts, cashew nuts, hazelnuts, pistachios, 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 children with nuts as a snack to be consumed during their afterschool club activities.

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

Offer for SIX The Musical

Offer for SIX The Musical - In Japanese - One week only



Special rate for schools and families - tickets from £19.50

<https://ticketing.nimaxtheatres.com/tickets/series/VASQU02M?promo=STUDENT>

Voucher code: Student

SIX the Musical turns the wives of Henry VIII into pop icons, remixing five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a Euphoric Celebration of 21st century girl power! And for the first time in London, in Japanese!!

Key Information:

 4 – 9 November (8pm, with matinees on Friday, Saturday, Sunday)  Show length: 80 minutes no interval

 Vaudeville Theatre, The Strand, London, WC2R

Notice Regarding School Gates



FOR SAFETY REASONS
PLEASE DO NOT PROP THE GATE
OPEN!

Infant Main Gate Opening Times:

- **Nursery: Opens from 2:55pm** for 3:00pm collection
(by buzzer only)
- **Reception, Year 1 and 2: Gate is open from 3:00pm**

Reminder: Between 9:00am -3:00pm, there is no access for Nursery or Infant parents to walk across the Juniors Playground.

We hope everyone has a good half term and we are looking forward seeing everyone again for the second half of the Autumn term on Monday 3rd November.

Dates for Your Diary

October

HALF TERM Monday 27th – Friday 31st

November

Monday 3rd 8.45 a.m. (9.00 a.m.) children return to school

Thursday 6th 9.00 a.m. Zones of regulation workshop for parents and carers

Thursday 6th 11.30 a.m. Child's Voice meeting (information only) Saturday
8th

PA EVENT: FIREWORKS NIGHT 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday 10th Anti-Bullying Week

Monday 10th Odd Sock Day

Wednesday 12th 9.00 a.m. Maths workshop for parents/carers

Friday 14th Children in Need

Friday 14th Height & Weight measurement for Reception

Tuesday 18th Inclusion Day (It's good to be me) (information only)

Monday 17th 4.00-7.00 p.m. Parent/Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 18th Governing Body meeting (information only)

Thursday 20th 4.00-7.00 p.m. Parent/Teacher Consultations

Friday 21st 9.00 a.m. SEND coffee and chat

Monday 24th 9.15 a.m. Y2 Performance Assembly

Tuesday 25th 9.00 a.m. Chatty children workshop for parents and carers

Friday 28th 3.15 p.m. PA Cake Sale

Contact Us

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