



# Brookland Junior School News



19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

## This Week:

In assembly this week we welcomed everybody back to school and held our half termly Head Teacher Award Assembly to share some of the many ways the children (and staff) have put Brookland Values and Learning Skills into action and to congratulate the children chosen by their teachers for last half term's Head Teacher Award. It was such a treat for me to chat with you all at our afternoon tea. Well done everyone!



*"Yesterday, Iki Ikram came to talk to the whole school about his job as a video game visual effects specialist. He brought in sculptures of some of his characters and an award which he had won. We also watched a video showing us about all the games he'd worked on. It was very interesting and we had lots of questions! Thank you Mr Ikram!!!"*

Levon 5A



Year 5 have produced some impressive Design Technology homework as part of their unit of work on bridges. They off to visit Tower Bridge shortly.



## Bake Sale:

*"On the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2024, 5E did a Bake Sale for RSPCA and it was really fun because we worked together as a team. We respect everyone that came and bought. THANK YOU to Miss Christie, the parents and children who helped. We helped the charity by raising £171.32."* Archie, Sadie, Nourah 5E





## Gardening Club News & Appeal:

Gardening Club have been very busy this week; it was so nice to be finally out in the garden because our green fingers have been itching for ages. Let's hope that the weather improves and we get more sunshine. Mrs Pejakovic made a nettle comfrey at home and she is going to bring it in when it is ready so we can feed our leafy vegetables.

We have staked the peas that we have planted before half term and we planted beans yesterday. Our onions and garlic look very healthy and we cannot wait to harvest them later in the season.

It would be really lovely to have some garlic bread made from our own produce.

*"Dear Brookland Community,*

*If you can donate any compost, and bigger planters, we would be very grateful."*

Gardening Club



Hello Brookland,

My name is Buddy and I am very grateful that you have allowed me to make my home in your gardens. I have given an exclusive interview to Mrs Pejakovic and this is what I had to say. I would be delighted to remain with you because Mrs P has promised me an abundant supply of snails and slugs and I quite enjoy my new home at Brookland. This morning she has brought me some cat food which was delicious too.

Please, I do not want to be fed or touched except by an expert like Mrs P; I am very delicate and tiny. All of you look like giants to me and I sometimes feel intimidated but I know you are excited to welcome me. In return for your hospitality and care, I will try to keep your vegetable plots pest free and healthy.

If you see me snuggled up under the bushes, please let me be because I need to recuperate and catch up on my sleep; if you did not know, I can travel more than a mile every night searching for food or to catch up with my fellow hedgehogs.

I thank you again for your kindness and care.



Buddy the Brookland hedgehog has been the talk of the school this week!



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## Next Week:

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April:** 5A Trip to Tower Bridge.

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 3:25-16:00:** Year 3 **RSE** Workshop for parents in 3HD

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 3:25-16:00:** Year 4 **RSE** Workshop for parents in 4K

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April:** 5E Trip to Tower Bridge

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 9.00:** 5E Class Assembly for parents in the hall - please do stay for coffee/tea if you are able

## Further Ahead:

Please see the calendar attached to this newsletter.

## Golden Sentences in Big Writing this week:

Year 5 have been researching and writing biographies about people that inspire their future career ideas

*"Family & childhood: Taylor Swift was born to Andrea Swift & Scott Kingsley Swift on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 1989 in the town of Pennsylvania. She spent her early years on a Christmas tree farm in Pennsylvania that her father had purchased from one of his clients. She has a younger brother called Austin Swift."* Mika 5AM

*"Born at 5<sup>th</sup> November 1981 in Delhi, India. As a child, Virat Kohli studied in Vishal Bharti Public School then he went to West Delhi Cricket Academy (WDCA). His father worked as a criminal lawyer and his mother was a housewife. With the help of his sibling Vikas and Bhawa, he was able to get his dream fulfilled. As a teenager, he played in The Marchant League"* Sahasram 5AM

Year 4 have been describing their own fantasy land through a wardrobe door:

*"I walk through the wardrobe, I can see: An energetic flame sparking up from a dragon's mouth.*

*I walk through the wardrobe, I smell: A bed of happy day's smiling brightly, giving presents at the amazing beautiful rainbow."* Maya 4S

Year 3 have been writing diaries based on their class reader Edward Tulaine

*"Dear Diary,*

*Yesterday was the most awful day of my life. I saw two boys named Amos & Martin. Without any warning Amos grabbed Edward, ripped his clothes off and threw him into the sea! I felt so sad, I started crying, my eyes nearly fell out! I felt so angry! I said to Amos and Martin 'I hate you! I don't ever want to see you again!' I shouted so loud the whole ship heard me! My poor Edward fell into the dark gloomy sea."* Lottie 3HD

*"Dear Diary,*

*Yesterday was the most awful day of my life. It all started when mum and dad took me to London on a boat. I went to the deck. Just at that moment two disgusting boys called Martin & Amos snatched Edward out of my hands. I felt so worried. Just then they threw Edward over board. I felt I could cry my eyes out. However, I was too cross to let them see me cry. 'I hate you and I don't ever want to see you again! My poor Edward, you are in the dark gloomy sea now!"*

Amalia 3HD

## **FYI Brookland Rise Street Party Is on Monday May The 6<sup>th</sup>:**

### **A CAR FREE DAY**

No cars on the Brookland Rise road from The School to beyond the Roundabout.





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## Barnet Libraries Literary Festival:

Barnet Libraries annual Literary Festival returns to Finchley Church End Library on the weekend of Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 May. A plethora of headline authors will uncover their latest books.

Award winning young adult author Candy Goulay will talk about her latest book Wild Song, the story of Filipino girl Luki's journey of self-discovery as she travels with her tribe to the St Louis World's Fair in America. Age guidance: 10+

Social media stars Travis and Sigrid- his deaf, Norwegian Forest cat- will discuss how they uncovered their new city, in their travels around London by bike. Age guidance: 7+.

There are other events for older children and adults too.

All events include a book signing with the authors and a chance to ask them questions.

[Full details and booking information.](#)

**Please see the posters attached to this newsletter.**

## ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

PERIOD: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April

Class	3B	3G	3HD	4K	4R	4S
ATTENDANCE%	93.79%	90.0%	88.57%	90.65%	94.67%	97.67%
PUNCTUALITY%	96.90%	98.97%	98.93%	99.68%	99.0%	98.67%

Class	5A	5AM	5E	6D	6L	6P	Whole School
ATTENDANCE%	93.33%	97.33%	97.67%	89.33%	91.61%	94.0%	93.24%
PUNCTUALITY%	97.67%	98.33%	99.34%	98.33%	98.06%	97.0%	98.41%

Well done to **5E & 4S** for having the highest attendance this week.

Congratulations to **4K** for having the highest punctuality this week.

Mrs Lake