



Brookland Federation Brookland Junior School Newsletter



'Be kind, be respectful, be the best that you can be'

27.02.2026

Welcome back

I hope you all had a lovely half term break, although it already seems that was a long time ago! The children have settled back in to the swing of things very quickly and have already produced some lovely bits of learning. All we hope now is that the sun finally decides to come out (like it did on Wednesday) and stay out. This is a very short half term of just 5 weeks, however, there is a lot to pack in. This is an early reminder that term will end on Friday 27th March at 1pm.

Attendance

I would like to remind parents that children are expected to attend school everyday, on time. As you can see from the year group attendance figures, each year is well below the 96% national, government expectation. Families should not be taking term time holidays. Regular absence from school has a huge impact on children's academic and social achievements and wellbeing. We are here to support you if you feel there are any issues in regards to attendance.

Attendance

1st: Year 5 - 94.7%
2nd: Year 4 - 94.6%
3rd: Year 3 - 94.3%
4th: Year 6 - 93.9%

House Points

1st: Sapphire - 1311
2nd: Amber - 1301
3rd: Ruby - 1258
4th: Emerald - 1250

Girls' Football Tournament

On Wednesday afternoon, our girls' football team travelled to Flamsted End School for an exciting and highly successful football tournament. The team played five group matches; winning four and drawing one. They scored an incredible 20 goals without conceding once. The girls continued their fantastic form into the semi-final, securing a 2-0 victory before a closely contested final that finished 0-0. Despite a brilliant effort, the team narrowly lost on penalties. It was an unbelievable afternoon of football, and the girls should be extremely proud of the way they represented the school with skill, teamwork and resilience. A huge well done to Lexie, Ella-Louise, Almira, Keira, Francesca, Ava, Alayah and Macie-Ann for their fantastic achievement, we are so proud of you all. Finally, a huge thank you to Mr Crowe for training the girls and supporting them at the tournament.

Year 4 class assemblies

Year 4 parents and carers are invited to watch their child's class assemblies on the following dates: **Hawthorn class - Thursday 19th March @ 9am**

Sycamore class - Friday 20th March @ 9am

The assemblies will take place in the school hall and will be approximately 15 minutes long. This is an opportunity for the children to show their parents and carers what they have been learning so far this academic year.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

An email has been sent in this week with the details for World Book Day, which we will be celebrating on Thursday 5th March. Children are welcome to come into school wearing their pyjamas if they wish on this day. The children will partake in various activities throughout the day as detailed in the email.

Book Fair - Monday 2nd March and Tuesday 3rd March

As part of the world book day celebrations, there will be a book fair held in the junior school building for all children and families from across the Federation. If you have the time, please do pop in to the junior school hall after school to have a look and purchase some the fantastic books on offer.

Parents' Evening

We will be holding our second set of parents' evening meetings this half term. Year 3 and 4 will have theirs on Tuesday 24th March and Year 5 and 6 will have theirs on Wednesday 25th March. We will be sending out further details regarding this, including how to book and appointment, over the next couple of weeks.

Reminder - Year 5 PGL (2027) meeting

We would like to invite Year 5 parents to a meeting regarding PGL 2027 on Tuesday 3rd March at 6pm in the school hall. During this meeting we will give you information regarding the residential trip your child will have the opportunity to attend in July 2027.

Key dates:

Tues 3rd Mar - Singing club performing at Haileybury Turnford @ 2pm

Tues 3rd Mar - Year 5 PGL meeting @ 6pm in the school hall

Thurs 5th Mar - World Book Day

Thurs 19th Mar - Hawthorn class assembly @ 9am in the school hall

Fri 20th Mar - Sycamore class assembly @ 9am in the school hall

Tues 24th Mar - Year 3 and 4 parents' evening - more details to follow

Wed 25th Mar - Year 5 and 6 parents' evening - more details to follow

Fri 27th Mar - Last day of term - 1pm finish

Mon 13th Apr - Children return to school

Fri 1st May - Occasional Day – school closed

Mon 4th May - BANK HOLIDAY - school closed

Mon 25th May - Fri 29th May - HALF TERM - school closed

Mon 1st June - INSET DAY - school closed

Tues 2nd June - Children return back to school

PE DAYS

Year 3 - Monday & Tuesday

Year 4 - Monday & Tuesday

Year 5 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 6 - Wednesday & Thursday

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