



Brookland Federation Newsletter

'Where strong relationships inspire lifelong learning and growth'

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Headteacher Awards

This week, we presented our first set of Headteacher Awards for the new academic year. The awards are based on our 3 school values: Be Kind, Be Respectful and Be the Best that you can be! Congratulations to all our award winners!

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Be Kind	Eliana	Esmae	Ellie-Mai	Madison	Ayla	Leonidas	Chase
Be Respectful	Alaiya	Erin-Jane	Isabella-Rose	Kyla	Jax & Jorgie	Christian	Abdul
Be the Best you can be	Isya	Adam	Jaxon	Hadley	Cemre	Marley	Kuzey
STAR OF THE WEEK	Cherry - You have done a fantastic job learning the days of the week. You are working so hard and remembering them so well, Well done!						

Half Term

A reminder that school will be closed from Monday 26th October to Friday 30th Oct for half term. Children return to school on Monday 2nd November.

Goodbye Mrs Kharsa

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Kharsa, who has been a teaching assistant at Brookland for 13 years. Mrs Kharsa has decided to follow her passion and take up a post in a specialist setting. We would like to thank Mrs Kharsa for all her hard work and the support she has given all the children over the years. All the staff and children are going to miss her lots and we wish her all the best!

Parents Evenings

The booking system for parents evening went live this week. If you have not yet booked your meeting, please do so by 10am on Monday. Dates for parents evening are in the key dates section.

Brookland Junior School joins reading record attempt

On Thursday, 8 October, our avid readers joined children across the world in an attempt to set a new **GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS** title for the most people reading online in 12 hours. Our children enjoyed reading a variety of genres and hearing from authors Rashmi Sirdeshpande, Nakul P. and Frank Cottrell-Boyce, who shared insights into their inspirations and writing journeys. Organised by the National Literacy Trust around World Mental Health Day, the event celebrated the joy of reading and its positive impact on children's mental health and wellbeing. Thank you to Ms Fahim for organising such a brilliant opportunity for the children.

Year 4 Football Tournament

On Wednesday, we took a select group of Year 4s to a football tournament and for many, it was their first time representing the school. The children played fantastic football and most importantly had the best time finishing 3rd overall! Well done - Harley, Frank, Stanley, David, Elijah, Billy, Santino, Cameron and Jorgie!



Year 5 & 6 Boys football match

On Thursday, we hosted our first game at home of the season against Dewhurst! The boys played fantastically, with them all playing a number of positions. The highlights were the great goals scored by William, Christian and Adam. Well done - Ernie, Oscar, William, Archie, Caiden, Christian, Pani, Christian, Adam and Aqeel! Thank you to James and Ryan for their great coaching!



Spanish Day

The juniors was a sea of red and yellow as they celebrated Spanish Day, to support their learning of the language. As part of the day, the children learnt flamenco dancing which was a highlight for everyone, with them all throwing themselves into the Spanish rhythms! Thank you to Ms Fahim for organising!

Book Fair

Danielle from Mummas Book Haven (Usborne books) will be holding a Book Fair alongside our parents' evenings next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The Federation will benefit from all sales as we will receive up to 60% in free books for our classrooms and libraries so please pop along and have a look at what is on offer.

Key dates:

Mon 19th Oct - Years 5&6 and Elder class Parents' Evening & Book Fair

Mon 19th Oct - PTFA Halloween/Neon Disco for EYFS and KS1

Tues 20th Oct - Years 1, 2, 3 & Aspen and Cedar class Parents' Evening & Book Fair

Wed 21st Oct - Nursery and Reception Parents' Evening & Book Fair

Thurs 22nd Oct - PTFA Halloween/Neon Disco for KS2

Mon 26th Oct - Fri 30th Oct - HALF TERM - school closed

Mon 2nd Nov - Children return to school

Fri 18th Dec - Last Day of Term - School finishes at 1pm

PE DAYS

Reception - Wednesday

Rowan - Tuesday

Year 1 - Tuesday and Thursday

Year 2 - Tuesday

Year 3 - Monday & Tuesday

Year 4 - Monday & Tuesday

Year 5 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 6 - Wednesday & Thursday

Forest school this half term

Rowan, Ash and Beech - Monday

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