





Dear Families

Supporting The Brookhurst BIG Family: We were delighted again this week to receive two loaded crates of quality 'branded foodstuffs'. Please can you make use of this kind donation, as every little helps during these testing financial times. If you do not personally require the food but know of a family who would appreciate it, then please do take some and deliver to them. Please bring a carrier bag after school and come into school via the main office.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%. Foundation 2 =96.2%, Year 1 = 95.5%, Year 2 = 95.8%, Year 3 = 95.6%, Year 4 = 96.1%, Year 5 = 93.8%, Year 6 = 93.6%. Overall school attendance 95.2%.

## REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS.

100% Attendance = 190 DAYS OF EDUCATION

95% Attendance = 180 DAYS OF EDUCATION

90% Attendance = 171 DAYS OF EDUCATION

85% Attendance = 161 DAYS OF EDUCATION

80% Attendance = 152 DAYS OF EDUCATION

75% Attendance = 143 DAYS OF EDUCATION

**Keeping ourselves safe:** We are looking forward to welcoming Peter Shone, our Community Support Officer from Merseyside Police to work with years 5 and 6. Peter will be leading a whole day workshop with each year group on 8 and 9 March. Each day will focus on the following themes; anti-social behaviour, hate crime, knife crime, drugs, the arrest process, cyber bullying, online safety, what's App messages and forwarding pictures without consent.

Friends of Brookhurst PTA: Please can we remind you that the collection date from school for 'Cash for Clothes' is the morning, Friday 10 February 2023.

## 'Magic Moments'

**F2** – This week F2 have been learning all about Lunar New Year. They enjoyed creating their own dragon dance and used musical instruments to make music to dance to. F2 were amazed by our magical marbling pictures this week. We dropped ink onto water and swirled it around to make unique patterns, then captured them on paper. The results looked like planets, galaxies and wonderful space landscapes - we were all







fascinated!

- **Year 1** were really excited to spend an afternoon looking at stick insects and learning about their habitats. They then used iPads to take photos of the stick insects and label the parts of them.
- Year 2 brought history to life when they re-enacted how firefighters would have battled the Great Fire of London using a replica bucket and firefighter's hat from 1666. They all agreed that a modern day firehose would have put the fire out much quicker!
- **Year 3** This week, we have found out that mirrors reverse an image. We used the mirrors to find symmetrical images. In PE, we have challenged our fitness by sprinting and we have linked rolls and jump actions in gymnastics. In Maths, we have been problem solving using our knowledge of multiplication and division.
- **Year 4** This week, Year 4 have been using our new class text 'The Great Kapok Tree' to upskill our writing. We have used noun phrases, plural possession and pronouns to make our writing more interesting. We have written poems and an initial letter from a child whose home is being destroyed by deforestation.
- **Year 5** In our history lessons we have begun to look at Greek gods, going right back to the early gods through to the Olympians. This lesson has really helped us have a better understanding of our class novel Who Let The Gods Out. We really impressed Miss Ramejkis with the connections we made when we later read the novel in class.
- **Year 6** This week in science Year 6 really enjoyed taking part in a practical investigation involving mirrors and torches. They worked in groups of three to solve puzzles in which they had to use mirrors to direct light rays from torches. They were able to apply their understanding of how light travels and how specular reflections are formed.

**School Calendar:** Please check the school website to make sure that you are fully informed of key events taking place in the weeks ahead. There will be changes as we respond to factors out of school's control.

Kind regards

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AND FINALLY...... You may have heard yesterday from the children that I was 'hobbling' around school – the children were very concerned! Staff insisted I sought medical attention, sent me home and our NHS stepped up and took over. Fingers-crossed all will be back to normal for Monday.



