



Right Start-Bright Future

Newsletter

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Dear Families

Friends of Brookhurst PTA-

Staffing from September 2023 – Due to the planned NEU industrial action on 7 July, we have had to move our school transition day to 14 July. Here, the children will spend the whole day with their new class teacher and teaching assistant/s.

F2 – Mrs Parsonage, Mrs H. Williams and Mrs Rimmer

Year 1 – Mrs Mulholland and Mrs K. Williams

Year 2 - Miss Ramejkis and Mrs Spiers

Year 3 - Mrs Baines, Mrs Moss and Mrs Robertson

Year 4 – Mr Eborall, Mrs Bradbury and Mrs Fletcher

Year 5 – Miss Armstead, Mrs Pinch and Mrs Cheers (am only)

Year 6 – Mr Russell, Mrs Morris, Mrs Pinch and Mrs Cheers (pm only)

Teacher Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) cover – Mrs Ainslie (Tuesday-Wednesday) and AW Coaching – Specialist Sports Coaching (Tuesday – Friday afternoons)

National Tutoring Programme – Mrs Killoran (1 day a week)

You will notice that Mr Ellis is not in the teaching team of the Brookhurst BIG Family from September. He has been an excellent addition this term and as I expected, has had a great impact on Year 2. However, Mr Ellis is off to explore new opportunities outside the education profession and we wish him well! We have appointed Miss Armstead who will be joining us in September. She is currently teaching at Somerville Primary in Wallasey and she is very excited about joining the Brookhurst Big Family.

From September we will be changing our school sports provider from Full of Beans to AW Coaching. You will get a chance to meet the staff from AW Coaching this evening at the Summer Social. As well as teaching PE, they will also be leading four lunchtime sports clubs and four after school sports clubs, Tuesday – Friday. We are sure you will welcome these additional after school clubs for the children. Details will be shared on our return in September.



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Unfortunately due to insufficient school funding this year, Governors are unable to extend a fixed third party rolling contract for Mr Matt Metcalf, a school well-being and emotional health counsellor. This will take effect from September 2023. Matt has been pivotal to our work on mental health and I know that the school will miss his expertise. If families feel they would like to source Matt independently, then please email me for his details.

On 14 July Year 6 will be taught by Mr Ellis and we all wish that our current Year 6 have a successful induction day at their High Schools on 6 July.

Drama Club Performance of 'Joseph'- Performed in the round, our drama club thrilled their families with an excellent performance of Joseph in the school hall on Monday evening. Stripped back and the children worked on improvisation, developing their acting, singing and performance skills.

"Wow! What an amazing performance of Joseph. Thanks so much for all the time you have given to the children in drama club and for enabling them to put on that fantastic show. It was so much better than I ever envisaged. They were all superstars. Thanks for giving them this brilliant opportunity and wonderful memories".

"We just wanted to send a big thank you to Mrs Mulbolland and yourself for all the support and work that went into the Joseph performance. It was a fantastic performance which really did showcase the children's talents.

We are so pleased to see our daughter grow in confidence at the school especially since joining drama group.

We really do appreciate all the hard work".

Sports Days 2023 - It was wonderful to welcome so many families to the Sports Days. The children really did appreciate your support and the children impressed us all with their athletic abilities and positive attitudes. Although only 24 hours apart, the weather really did add an extra challenge on Wednesday, but we all managed to get through it! Today we presented the Brookhurst Sports Trophy in Celebration Assembly to our winning teams. Key Stage 1 = Brimstage and Key Stage 2 = Dibbensdale.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%. **Foundation 2 =98%, Year 1 = 95.1%, Year 2 = 96.7 %, Year 3 = 99.7 %, Year 4 = 97.4%, Year 5 = 100%, Year 6 =96.3 %.** Overall school attendance **97.6%.** Well done to F2, Year 3 who achieved over 98%. Especially Year 5 for 100% attendance.

REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS.

'Magic Moments'

F2 – have made us very proud this week with such a fantastic performance at their first ever Sports Day. With so many instructions to follow, new sights and sounds and a huge audience watching, they well and truly took it all in their stride.

Year 1 – This week Year 1 have been learning about time: days of the week, months of the year and hours, minutes and seconds. They have also looked closely at pictures of St Barnabas Church in Bromborough and begun to make their own sketches of it, concentrating on the shapes that they can see in the picture and transferring them to their own paper.

Year 2- This week has been great to see everyone in the class working so well as a team to have such a brilliant Sports Day. The children were respectful when winning and losing. It was so lovely to see the winners celebrating, whilst being considerate of others. Also, the other teams congratulating those who won their races and the competition!

Year 3 – Our week has been a very sporty and mathematical week. We loved a full day of sports activities on Wednesday including speed bounce, long jump, javelin and welly wanging. We have learnt that angles are a measurement of turn and that they can be identified as acute, obtuse or right angles. We have made our own



3D shapes using nets and created art inspired by the artist Mondrian to learn about perpendicular, parallel, horizontal and vertical lines.

Year 4 – We have been learning about the Vikings. We viewed the Viking era on a timeline and were surprised to see how short it was compared to other civilisations that we have studied. We also competed with respect and exuberance in our Sports Day.

Year 5 – This week we have been learning what life was like for working Victorian children. We discovered some of the terrible jobs that they had to do to survive. We then had to decide which job we would have liked the most to do, to the least. Most of us decided we did not want to be rat catchers! This lesson has helped prepare us for our trip to Liverpool next week.

Year 6 – This week Year 6 have started designing very basic video games that they will be going on to code and test in the next two weeks. The children looked at an existing example of a fruit catching game to see how different sprites had been coded so that they behaved differently and how they were associated with different scores. Year 6 then worked in pairs to select sprites they would use in their own original games. They decided which would score points, how many points they were worth and which sprites would take points away.

Parking outside school: A polite reminder that we must park away from junctions and avoid double parking and blocking driveways. We need to be mindful that we model to the children safe driving practices. Remember that children will copy what adults say, hear and do. Thank you.

Kind regards

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AND FINALLY..... Our focused author for the next two weeks is Hannah Gold “I Love writing big-hearted animal adventures that share my love of the planet and I hope they inspire YOU to know you’re never too small to make a difference about the things you truly care about”.

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