



Right Start-Bright Future

Newsletter

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Dear Families

This week we have been focusing on **'positivity'** as one of our school values. The children this week have demonstrated excellent and determined attitudes in aspects of school life. Of note, has been their response to Anti-Bullying and the wearing of odd socks. This has prompted thoughtful conversations, especially focusing on the rights and wrongs of 'laughing at' compared to 'laughing with' our friends and others.

Children in Need Friday 17 November 2023: Thank you for supporting this annual event for the Brookhurst Big Family. Today, the children have shown great **positivity** and **motivation** by completing the Children in Need 'BearPees' Challenge. The children collectively completed **12,938** BearPees – A fantastic achievement. We also have collected donations = **£124.13**. Thank you.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for **100%** our target is **98%**.

F2 = 94.6% Year 1 = 97.6%, Year 2 = 92.8%, Year 3 = 95.9%, Year 4 = 96%, Year 5 = 94.8%, Year 6 = 95%. Overall school attendance = **95.3%**.

-REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS-

A message from the Children' Commissioner for England - Dame Rachel De Souza

By now, I hope that you have seen my national campaign The Big Ambition. Please ensure you have shared this survey with the children and parents within your school community.

Children or parents can complete the survey here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition . Further resources are available on our [website](#).

It is really important that the pupils at Brookhurst Primary School have participated in The Big Ambition survey and had their say.

I want to ensure that the voices of all children in the North West area are fairly represented in the findings so that I can share their views with the most senior members of the country.

I must reiterate that it is vital that all children have their voice heard through this survey because, as Children's Commissioner for England, I have a statutory duty to protect and promote the views and interests of children. The Big Ambition provides a much-needed opportunity for the children of England to tell political decision makers what is important to them ahead of the General Election. I will be sharing their responses with Government to ensure that children's voices are heard.



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'Magic Moments'

F2 – To help celebrate World Kindness Day on 13th November, F2 have really embraced kindness this week. With the recent windy weather, our outdoor area was covered in leaves. We decided to kindly help Mr Bate by brushing them up and filling his wheelbarrow. Although we must admit we enjoyed throwing handfuls of leaves into the air and watching them whizz around in the wind first - magic!

Year 1 – This week Year 1 have been preparing for their trip by bringing in a teddy. They thought about how they have changed since new and drew details drawings. We have also learnt about hinges in D.T and made our own doors and windows.

Year 2 – This week in Year 2 we have been building our knowledge of the continents and oceans by learning about the Polar Regions. We have been looking at some of the key physical and human features of the two areas.

Year 3 – We have used maps to locate the major cities of the UK. In music, we have listened to a piece of music and responded to it by creating a soundscape. In English, we have predicted and immersed ourselves into a new text creating some wonderful simile poems.

Year 4 – Year 4 have had an exceptional week at Conover Hall on their residential. They have completed tasks as teams and individuals, overcoming fears and challenging themselves in an unfamiliar environment. Every child should be very proud of what they achieved this week! Massive thanks to families for supporting this visit.

Year 5 – We have been exploring the physics of forces this week. We started by thinking about how friction works before planning and carrying out an investigation around the school premises with our own shoes! We concluded that the carpet offered the most friction as it had the strongest pull on the Newton Meter and we are going to keep using this method to test other forces.

Year 6 – This week, Year 6 used the Kodály system to gain experience at composing advanced rhythms using notations. The children have engaged with the Kodály system throughout their first half term as a way of practising following rhythms. In their last two sessions of this unit of work, the class have worked in pairs to compose short pieces of music that utilise 4 different note types (including a notation for a rest).

Parking and drop off outside school: As busy as your morning might be, please can I kindly request that families do not drop off children outside the school entrance in the morning. This is causing an obstruction and children are unsafe. Please allow more time, park up safely and then walk to the school entrance – Thank you.

Kind regards

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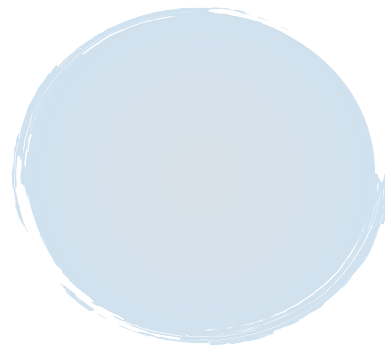
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AND FINALLY.....





Ready, Respectful and Safe



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