



Right Start-Bright Future

Newsletter

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Dear Families

Here we are at the end of another busy and enjoyable academic year. The children have given their very best and all deserve a restful summer break. I do hope you enjoyed reading about their progress and achievements in their end of year school report.

The Ofsted inspection in February 2024 validated our judgements that we are now a securely GOOD school. The curriculum is ambitious and fit for purpose and the quality of education has consistently improved. It is anticipated that school performance SATS results at the end of year 6, will greatly improve in summer 2025. This is due to the children having more time with the improved key stage 2 curriculum and higher expectations. As we are aware, we just do not judge a school on its effectiveness by year 6 SATS results. We celebrate that our current year 6 have all made personal progress from their starting points but they are just not close enough to national expectations – they needed more time with our much improved and ambitious connected curriculum. I am confident that they will continue to catch-up and be successful in their GCSE examinations.

Year 6 Leavers Celebration: Last Friday afternoon, year 6 performed their end of year 'Leavers Celebration' to their families. It was marvellous watching them share their memories of their time in school. The assembly finished with an emotional presentation from the F2 Buddies to their year 6 Buddies. We wish our year 6 all the very best for the next stage of their learning journey – you will be missed. This year the Governors' Award for contribution to school life, was presented to Anthony in year 6. Well done Anthony and thoroughly deserved.

Friends of Brookhurst PTA: Please can I pass on my gratitude to the PTA who have had a fabulous year and organised many superb events for the Brookhurst Big Family. I do hope they will continue to go from strength to strength with your continued support. Please do come along to the AGM early in the autumn term Tuesday 1 October 2024 3:45 – 4:00pm start.

Piece by Peace Wirral Culture Schools' Project: Thank you to year 4 and Mrs Ainslie for leading this project and providing such a memorable experience for the children. Working with professional artists and musicians, the five week project culminated in a Wirral Schools' performance at Birkenhead Town Hall. Feedback from parents and staff and also the children has been so positive. Well done year 4 and as a school we are keen to engage more with projects like this.

School weekly attendance: F2 = 97.2%, Year 1 = 98.3%, Year 2 = 94.8%, Year 3 = 95%, Year 4 = 99.3%, Year 5 = 92.6%, Year 6 = 95.3%. Overall school attendance = 96%. Well done to Y1 and Y4.



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Our 100% School Attendance Wall of Fame: 17/210 children

F2:Harvey,Orla, Florence. **Y1:**Lottie,Abella. **Y2:**Millie. **Y3:**Try better in Y4. **Y4:**Ella, Joseph, Abigail, **Y5:**Elliot H, Alice, Elsa, Lana-Rai, Elliot Q, Sam. **Y6:** Paige, Ruby. This is a superb achievement- well done.

Maths multiplication tables- Please can I ask that families spend time learning the multiplication tables over the summer break and into the next academic year. This year we have seen an increase in our children in the national multiplication tables check that takes place in June for year 4. Partnerships between school and home are vital in working together for the benefit of the children – Thank you.

Year 2: x2, x5, x10,

Year 3 x2,x3, x4, x5,x8, x10.

Year 4- 6: x2,x3,x4,x5,x6,x7,x8,x9,x10,x11,x12.

Mrs Williams has sent a school spider message to all families today, detailing the summer reading challenges and reading lists. Please remember to support the Library and local book shops.

‘The Best Magic Moments of The Year’

F2 - A poem has been written for all F2 families that captures a truly tremendous F2 year at Brookhurst.

Year 1 – There are so many magic moments to choose from, but this year, Year 1’s most magical moments include our visit to the Museum of Liverpool where we explored toys from the past; pond dipping at Ness Gardens; making fruit salads in DT; learning to ride on the balance bikes, and the bounce session on the mini trampolines.

Year 2 – Our magic moment of the year has been when Year 2 have consistently shown that anything is possible when they work together. From winning the Explorify art competition with a collaborative piece of artwork, to showing amazing teamwork skills when at Tattenhall on their first ever residential. To having our families come in to share our work and a story as part of our Dojo reward. They have shown time and time again this year that they can achieve amazing things when they work together!

Year 3 – The year has gone so fast and we have so many best moments to remember. Whilst learning about the Stone Age, we became archaeologists, digging up artefacts to find out about the past. We learnt all about Stonehenge and Skara Brae, however we were sad when we found out that Mrs Baines couldn’t take us there on a school trip! Our list of best moments could go on and on, but we will leave you with our favourite moment of all which was when we took windmills outside to feel the force of the wind.

Year 4 – Our residential visit to Conover Hall where we learned lots about teamwork and our own capabilities. Listening to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra and playing brass and woodwind instruments in the autumn term. We really enjoyed working with other schools and showcasing of performances as part of the Wirral Culture Piece by Peace arts workshops.

Year 5 – Collectively, we have decided our best magic moments: Making our Jungle Journals, finding out lots of information about Gorillas and creating our own very professional website. We loved the Space topic we studied in Autumn term and when we went to see the real rocket in Liverpool Museum. We also loved the Ancient Greek exhibit and exploring all the artefacts at school. Lots of us have had the chance to partake in sports events, and these have all been a wonderful experience. Of course, having the lovely Mrs Pinch with us for her final year at Brookhurst, we owe her a huge thank you for all her hard work with us over the year, we will miss you.

Year 6 – This academic year, Year 6 have had many magic moments. They had the fantastic experience of going to Arete! Mrs Killoran also brought in some fascinating WW2 artefacts for everyone to investigate. Year 6 created working traffic lights in Science; cars with functioning alarms in D&T; computer games in Computing and a slimy mess as their class reward! Year 6 also enjoyed their pizza afternoon after completing their SATs and their excellent trip to the areas of school houses are named after with their buddies.



Brookhurst Sports Personality: This event has been a welcome return and the first for me since being headteacher at Brookhurst. It is amazing on a Friday when we celebrate sporting achievements both in and outside school. Our children are very talented. Finalists from each year group: F2 Harry M, Y1 Olivia, Y2 Elodie, Y3 Ben, Y4 Isobel, Y5 Emily, Y6 Callum.

Infants Sport's Personality Winner : Olivia

Juniors Sport's Personality Winner: Callum

Thanks to Mr Eborall for organising this excellent celebration of sporting talent and positive attitudes to sports.

Eco News: Firstly, I would like to thank each and every member of the Big Brookhurst Family who have helped us work towards our Eco Schools award. I have now submitted our application which we are now waiting to be assessed to discover what level our Eco School will be graded! Thank you again to those who have completed my parent voice survey, I have submitted the comments you kindly shared as part of our application. I would also like to thank our amazing PTA who have supported us with clothes recycling through to collecting drinks bottles to recycle after our school discos. I am truly grateful to each and everyone. Miss Ramejkis.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support over this last academic year. It is an absolute pleasure to lead the Brookhurst Big Family, alongside a staff team and governing body who really do want the very best for each individual child. We will only achieve this with the support of families. Please take time to recharge, enjoy the summer break and we look forward to welcoming you all back to make more 'Magic Moments'. The autumn term starts for the children on **TUESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 8:45am Year 1-6 and F2 MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 9:15am.**

Kind regards

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Steve Williams

AND FINALLY..... Dates for your diary

Meet the year group team – Find out about our expectations for a 'Right Start-Bright Future' and the curriculum that will be taught. Each meeting will last ten minutes. Please enter the school via the main office entrance once you have collected the children at the end of the school day at 3:20pm.

Wednesday 4 September

- 3:30pm Year 1
- 3:45pm Year 2
- 4:00pm Year 3

Thursday 5 September

- 3:30pm Year 4
- 3:45pm Year 5
- 4:00pm Year 6

