

Year 3 Curriculum Assembly

Pupils in Year 3 have been learning about tropical rainforests in their geography lessons. They enjoyed this topic as it allowed for vicarious adventures into the Amazon Rainforest. They learned about the culture of the different tribes that dwell there and explored the various species of exotic plants and animals. Class Brasilia took it to the stage where they performed a brilliant assembly to share facts about the rainforest and raise awareness of the negative effects of deforestation. It was amazing to see and hear how confidently the fantastic tribe of Class Brasilia spoke and sang to a massive audience of both their proud parents and supportive schoolmates. Well done to class Brasilia!



Singing Festival at the Beck Theatre!

During the months January to March, the children of the Brookside choir, practised for the Singing Festival organised by the Hillingdon Music Hub. The theme of this year's festival was 'The environment and me'. While practising 2 songs for the festival, the children also had a chance to meet and work with a professional choir conductor and vocalist. He gave some amazing tips and tricks to the children and worked with them on the massed song that they would be performing with other schools. Next to participating in the massed song with other schools, the Brookside choir had a chance to perform a solo song for parents, other participants and the music professionals. It was a great experience, as they were able to stand on a big stage, at the Beck Theatre and performed outside their comfort zone. This really helped them to understand how these events take place and what happens behind the scenes. It gave them a good insight into another part of music, which enhanced the children's learning and boost their confidence. It was also interesting for the children to see how other schools worked on their own solo song and gave their own spin to it. It was a great evening and via this way, we would like to thank all of the participants who worked hard to bring this to a good end and the parents for their continuous support.



Nursery Cooking

This week our pupils in London Class took part in making Easter chocolate and cornflakes nests for Easter Cooking. Cooking helps children's personal, social and emotional development by providing opportunities for exploration, developing skills and confidence. Cooking also supports children's development of communication, language, and literacy as they talk about what they are doing and collaborate with others. Children develop their problem-solving, reasoning and numeracy by finding out about quantity. What fun they had in London class!



Healthy Lunch

Brookside Primary School is a healthy school and with this in mind we would like to remind parents, guardians and carers of the importance of providing your child with a healthy packed lunch. An example of the contents of a typically nutritious and healthy lunch box is a sandwich, yoghurt and fruit. Try chopped apple, satsuma segments, strawberries, blueberries, halved grapes or melon slices to make it easier for them to eat. A tip from stopping fruit from going brown is to add a squeeze of lemon juice! Also breadsticks and wholemeal crackers are great finger foods. Please remember that fizzy drinks are not allowed in school and that water is always provided for children on their tables at lunchtime.



Labelled Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a labelled water bottle to school each day. It is important children are kept hydrated during the school day, which in turn, enhances concentration and alertness during lessons. Thank you.

Updating Email Addresses

Communication between home and school is vital. We invite all parents, guardians and carers, to ensure that you provide the school with all updated contact information. Thank you.





Public Health - Cases of Measles in Hillingdon

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The local Public Health team has informed us that there has been a recent increase in the number of cases of Measles in Hillingdon. The cases all children aged 1 to 16, and all are unvaccinated. It is important that if a child is suspected of having measles, they do not attend school. They must call their GP or NHS 111. Measles is a notifiable disease which means all cases must be followed up, and contacts identified and given advice on what action they need to take. Please visit our website for more information:

<https://www.brooksideprimariesch.co.uk/>

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Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme - Easter Offer

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Allergies and Medical Needs

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If your child has an allergy or medical need, such as asthma, please give full details to your child's class teacher along with a care plan provided by your GP.

 April and May 2023		
April		
Monday 17th April	1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m	EYFS and KS1 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 18th April	1:00p.m. to 5:00p.m	KS2 Parent Consultation
Wednesday 19th- Term begins		
Thursday 20th April		End of Ramadan
Friday 21st April		Eid al-Fitr
Saturday 23rd April 2023		St. George's Day
Monday 24th to Friday 28th April		Year 1 & 2 Phonics Year 2 SATS Practise Papers
Tuesday 25th April		Year 1 Stay and Read
Wednesday 26th April		Year 2 Stay and Read
Thursday 27th April		Helsinki - Y1 Assembly
Friday 28th April		International Dance Day
May		
Monday 1st May 2023		Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2nd May 2023		Year 2 Pupil Progress Meeting Workshop Year 2
Thursday 4th May 2023		Stockholm - Y1 Assembly
Monday 8th May 2023		Bank Holiday King's Coronation
Monday 9th to 12th May		Year 6 SATS Paper
Monday 15th to 19th May 2023		Year 2 SATS Paper
Thursday 18th May 2023		Ankara- Y2 Assembly
Thursday 25th May 2023		Year 6 Wellington Assembly

Attendance - Importance of Good Attendance

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that research shows there is a clear link between the attendance rate of children at school and their level of attainment. Please support your child to attend regularly by ensuring that any medical or other appointments are organised out of school hours. The expectation of the governing body is that all children will achieve a minimum annual attendance rate of 96%.

Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme - Easter

Bookings for Hillingdon's Easter Holiday, Activities and Food (HAF) programme have now opened! Through their programme of free healthy food and fun activities, children and young people can develop new skills, take part in creative and physical activities, learn about food and cooking, and enjoy a nutritious meal each day. The holiday programme is open to school-aged children from reception to Year 11 (inclusive) who receive benefits-related free school meals.

They are also able to provide a limited number of discretionary places to vulnerable children that do not meet the Free School Meal criteria, if you would like for a child you are supporting to be considered for a HAF place, please email HAFprogramme@hillingdon.gov.uk with the child's name, date of birth, address and parent contact details. **Visit our website to find out more:** <https://www.brooksideprimarysch.co.uk/latest-news/holiday-activity-and-food-haf-programme-easter-offer>

	Week Commencing: Wednesday 19th April MENU 3	
	WEDNESDAY	
Meal Choice 1	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Apple Crumble	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegetables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Cajun Chicken with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Ring and a Cherry	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Brownie Tray Bake	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day		