



Welcome to the Summer Term

Our summer term started with parents, guardians and carers coming into school for their **Parent Consultation Meetings**. It was a tremendous success, as teachers and teaching partners were able to speak on the strengths and areas for improvement of each child. We are pleased by the positive feedback from our parents, guardians and carers who completed the Parent Survey and look forward to your continued support. As a school, we appreciate all feedback and every opportunity to improve on our provision. Parents, guardians, carers and pupils alike were all smiles as they returned for the first day of school and the pupils enjoyed an engaging assembly as they explored the R of the week- Rational. We look forward to a very productive Summer term.



Chocolate Fever

Our Year 2 children had an exciting experience at the world's smallest chocolate factory- **Dr. Choc's Windsor Chocolate Factory** on March 28th and 30th. They had the greatest time learning about the process of cacao production- the transformation from a cacao bean to a chocolate bar and the fascinating origins and history of chocolate. The highlight of their trip was when they learnt how to work with chocolate whilst making their very own unique yummy chocolatey creations. Year 2 had the best time ever on this trip!



Easter Bonnet Showcase

The children and their parents, guardians and carers had an amazing time designing the most exciting and beautiful Easter hats to celebrate Easter. The children were so excited to show off their creations to their peers and teachers. We would like to say a huge thank you to all the families which assisted in the designing of the bonnets.



Year 6 Easter Program

During the Easter half term, Year 6 children were invited to attend our Mathematics Reasoning, Reading Comprehension and Creative Writing booster sessions. Children were given an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the sort of questions they will encounter in the SATs exams. This was done to boost their skills and confidence. Some pupils were given 1:1 support where needed to further boost their confidence. At the end of the booster, children felt very confident in their abilities to tackle the upcoming exams. They were all given an additional homework pack especially created to close the gaps in their learning. In all, it was a very successful session for all children.



Half-Term Sports Extravaganza

During the Easter Holidays, children from Key Stage 2 were invited on Tuesday 4th April to take part in our **Sports Activity Fun Day**. They had an amazing time building their teamwork skills and sportsmanship and they played and learnt different sports and did different exercises.



Achievement Assembly

Our children proudly showed off their certificates as they were awarded for their **100% attendance for the Spring term**. We would like to say thank you to all the parents, guardians and carers who ensured that the children attended school on a daily basis. This shows that you truly understand the importance of being at school to receive a quality education.



King Charles III's Coronation Celebration- Non-Uniform Day

On **Friday 5th May**, Brookside Primary School will be taking part in **King Charles III's Coronation celebrations!** Children are encouraged to come to school dressed for a royal banquet which will take place on the playground, and they will engage in various activities as part of the day's events. We look forward to seeing our children in their elegant attire, carrying themselves gracefully to celebrate His Royal Highness' crowning.

Early May Bank Holiday- May 1st

Please note that **Monday, 1st May** is the **Early May Bank Holiday** therefore Brookside Primary School will be closed. Brookside Primary School will **resume at the normal time of 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, 2nd May**. Thank you.

King's Coronation Bank Holiday- May 8th

Please note that **Monday, 8th May** is the Bank holiday for the **coronation of King Charles III** therefore Brookside Primary School will be closed. Brookside Primary School will **resume at the normal time of 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, 9th May**. Thank you.

A Night At The Musicals Dance Show - Thursday 27th April

Join us at **Rosedale College** on **Thursday 27th April** at **7:00pm** for **A Night At The Musicals Dance Show!** Our students have been working hard and put together a wonderful show for you all to see. Tickets are **£4**, and they will be available to purchase at the door on the night. **Refreshments will be served from 6:30pm.**



Learn with the Lords Online

Our **Key Stage 2** children will be participating in an online question and answer session on the **28th April**. This will be a fun and exciting session for our children, as the UK Parliament will be brought to life for the children and they will gain an understanding of the members of Parliament and the vital roles of the House of Lords.

School Uniform – Name Labels

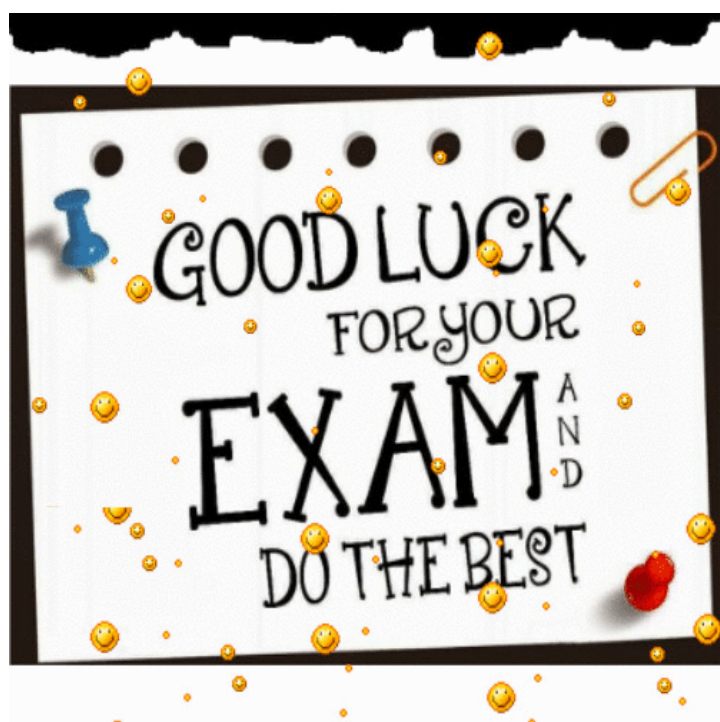
It has recently come to our attention that some children do not have their names written in items of their school uniform. Please ensure that your child's school uniform is marked with their name so that we can quickly identify any items of clothing found and retrieve lost items. Thank you.

Year 6 SATS Examination- Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12th May

From **Tuesday 9th May to Friday 12 May**, the children in Year 6 will be sitting their SATs examinations. They will be sitting the following papers on the following days:

Paper	Date
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Papers 1 and 2	Tuesday 9th May
English Reading	Wednesday 10th May
Mathematics Papers 1 and 2	Thursday 11th May
Mathematics Paper 3	Friday 12th May

It is absolutely essential that your child is in school during this week and on time as the examinations will start promptly in the morning. Please ensure that your children are rested. They will be provided with breakfast at our Breakfast Club on the days of their examinations, as this will allow them to do the best that they can. Please note that after the SATs have finished, the Year 6 children will continue to sit assessments throughout June and July. Therefore they just continue to attend school as normal. Thank you.



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%**.

Crossing the Road Safely!

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Please ensure your children understand that they must always cross a road with an adult and are aware of the Green Cross Code, a brief summary of which is set out below:

The Green Cross Code

1. First find the safest place to cross
2. Stop just before you get to the kerb
3. Look all around for traffic and listen
4. If traffic is coming, let it pass
5. When it is safe, go straight across the road – do not run



 <h2>April and May 2023</h2>	
April	
Sunday 23rd April	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
Tuesday 25th April	Year 2 Boosters begin
Wednesday 26th April	Reception and Year 1 Boosters begin
Thursday 27th April	Key Stage 2 Boosters begin
Thursday 27th April	The Living Rainforests Trip- Year 3
Friday 28th April	International Dance Day
Friday 28th April	Year 2 Stay and Read
May	
Monday 1st May	Early Bank Holiday
Tuesday 2nd May	Year 2 Pupil Progress Meeting Workshop Year 2
Tuesday 2nd May	World Asthma Day
Tuesday 2nd May	Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 3
Thursday 4th May	Year 1 Helsinki Parent Assembly
Friday 5th May	King Charles' Coronation Celebration
Friday 5th May	Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 2
Monday 8th May	Bank Holiday King's Coronation
Monday 9th to 12th May	Year 6 SATs Examination
Thursday 11th May	Year 1 Stockholm Parent Assembly
Sunday 14th May	National Children's Day UK
Monday, 15th May	International Day of Families
Monday 15th to 19th May	Walk to School Week
Monday 15th to 19th May	Year 2 SATs Examination
Tuesday 16th May	Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 4
Thursday 18th May	Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 5
Thursday 18th May	Year 2 Ankara Parent Assembly
Sunday 21st May	World Culture Day
Monday 22nd to 26th May	Pirate Week- Year 1

Reading with your Children!

Reading books aloud to children stimulates their imagination. It helps them develop language and listening skills and prepares them to understand the written word. With this in mind we urge all parents, guardians and carers to share a book with your children at bedtime. For the little ones this may be simply looking at a picture book and introducing key vocabulary. For the older ones, it would be really good to start with some simple stories, by reading out loud to your child. If you need any advice on reading to your child, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 24th April</i>	
	MENU 4	

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Mediterranean Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Raspberry Jelly	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Beans	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Beans	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes without Milk or Butter	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Jam and Coconut Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Diced Lamb with Noodles and Vegetable Stir Fry	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Diced Lamb with Noodles and Vegetable Stir Fry	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Stir Fry with Noodles	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Diced Lamb with Vegetable Stir Fry	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Ice Cream with Peaches	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Cheese and Onion Tart	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Potato Wedges	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with 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	Custard Tart	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day		