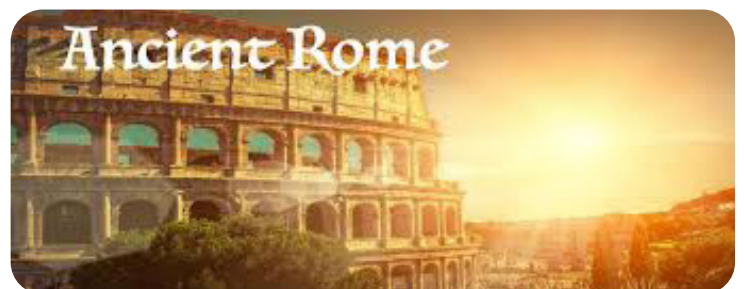


## Romans Workshop

Pupils of Year 3 classes, Ottawa and Brasilia, had a fantastic workshop on The Romans presented by Tiberius, a Roman expert, on Tuesday, which was enjoyable for both the pupils and staff. Tiberius provided an experience for children to be totally immersed in the Roman culture and their way of living. Using maps, clothes, props, and artefacts such as coins and weapons from Roman times, the children were fascinated and excited to learn about the many different aspects of Roman life. They were particularly interested in the weaponry used in battle and the reasons why the Romans were so successful at conquering other countries. Tiberius sat children in groups and presented them with many artefacts from Roman times, and then asked them to predict what they believed each item was used for. He had both classes acting out a Roman battle and dual. Pupils also learnt about the rebel Queen Boadicea who led an army against the Romans. In the end, they were encouraged to ask questions and they were enthusiastic and participated extremely well.





### Year 2 Assembly

The pupils of Class Ankara were very excited and about telling their parents, guardians and carers about what they have been learning in Year 2 in a class assembly. They acted out a scene about the seaside, with the message that the seaside is a fun place to be for a holiday. The pupils also took us back in time through their History learning to when a whole factory was closed, so the workers could go on a holiday trip to the seaside. It was a proud moment to see the resilient Year 2 Ankara pupils confidently speaking their lines with enthusiasm. Towards the culmination of the assembly they performed the seaside song 'We are going to the seaside,' displaying their vocals and skills in dancing.



### Practical Pedestrian Training- Years 4 and 5

Last week, pupils in Years 4 and 5 took part in Indoor and Outdoor Practical Pedestrian Training sessions delivered by the STARS Teams from the Hillingdon borough. The pupils were split into small groups and learnt about the road hazards and how to keep themselves safe when walking on the pavements and crossing roads, particularly busy ones. Once they received their initial training, the pupils put into practice all they had learnt on the road outside the school (Perth Avenue). They were very engaged throughout the session and gained valuable knowledge on how to be responsible pedestrians.





## Stay and Read Year 5

We are absolutely thrilled to share with you the amazing time we had during our recent Year 5 group stay and read session involving parents, guardians and carers. The energy in the room was exhilarating as parents and pupils came together to engage in this fun and educational experience. We were so excited to so many parents take on active interest in their child's education and to witness the positive impact it had on the children's learning experience. The session was filled with enthusiastic discussions, laughter and lots of reading! Parents read stories to their children, encouraging them to ask questions, share their thoughts and engage in lively conversation. The atmosphere was one of warmth and inclusivity as parents and pupils bonded over their shared love of reading.



## Half Term

The School will be closed from **Monday, 30th May** to **Friday, 2nd June** for the Half Term holiday. The School will reopen on **Monday, 5th June** at the normal entry times.

## Key Stage 1 Phonics Screening Check Week- Year 1

From **Monday 5th to Friday 9th June, Year 1** will be taking part in their **Phonics Screening Check** is meant to show how well your child can use the end of Year 1 and to identify children who need extra phonics help. The check consists of 40 words and non-words that your child will be asked to read one-on-one with a teacher. You can help your child prepare for their Phonics Screening Check by going over the phonics they have learned in Reception and Year 1. Parents, guardians and carers are reminded to read new books and stories with their children where they will be introduced to new words that they will have to sound out. They should encourage their children to review the phonics sounds and rules that are in the middle of the Reading Records. All the best to our Year 1 children with their Phonics Check!

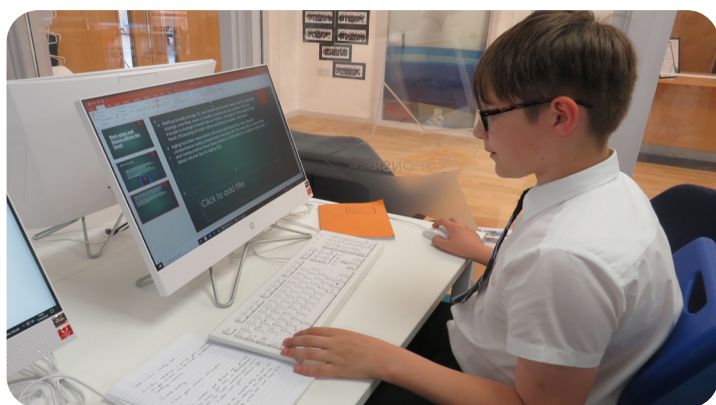
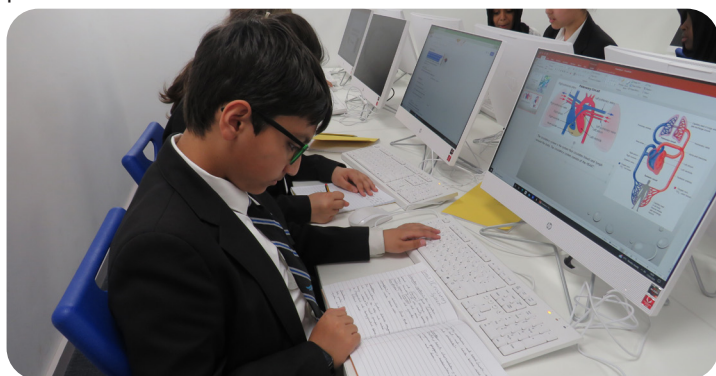
## Multiplication Tables Check- Year 4

From **Monday 5th to Friday 16th June**, our Year 4 children will be taking their **Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)** at school, which became statutory in September 2021. The MTC is a Key Stage 2 assessment to be taken by children at the end of Year 4 in June. It is an online test where children are asked 25 questions on times tables from 2 to 12. For every question, the children will have 6 seconds to answer, and in between the questions, there is a 3-second rest. Questions about the 6, 7, 8, 9, and 12 times tables come up more often. The questions are generated randomly based on the rules of the MTC. The MTC's purpose is to ensure the children's knowledge of their times tables knowledge is at the expected level.

Parents, guardians and carers are being asked to ensure that the children practice their timetables on a daily basis using online different games which will be of great benefit in preparing them for the Multiplication Tables Check. Good luck!!

## Key Stage 2 ICT lessons

Year 6 pupils are undertaking project-based learning in Science. They are studying the Circulatory System including what it consists of, how it works and what factors affect if from functioning properly. Canberra class have used ICT to research the information for their project and are using Microsoft PowerPoint to present their information. They are enjoying finding out their own information and how they would like to present it.



## Hearing and Vision Screening- Reception

On **Wednesday 7th June**, the School nurses will be visiting the School to carry out a Hearing and Vision Screening for the Reception children.

## Year 5 Parent Assembly- Year 5 Dakar

On **Thursday 15th June** we would like to invite parents, guardians and carers to the **Year 5 Dakar** Assembly where pupils will showcase what they have been learning about the Solar System, including the eight planets and the sun. We are excited to share what our pupils have been learning with their parents, guardians and carers, and we look forward to your continued support.

## Advance Notice- Sports Day

During the week commencing **Monday 19th June**, Brookside Primary will be celebrating **National Sports Week** by dedicating this week to Sports. On **Monday, 19th June**, we will be hosting our **Nursery and Reception Sports Day**, on **Tuesday 20th June**, we will be hosting our **Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day** and on **Wednesday 21st June**, we will be hosting our **Years 3 to 6 Sports Day**. All Sports Days will be held on our school play field. Please see further information below for the allocated times.

Date	Time	Year Group
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> June	9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	Nursery London AM and PM
		Reception
Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June	9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	Year 1
		Year 2
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> June	9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	Year 3
		Year 4
		Year 5
		Year 6



## Nature Walks

On **Monday 8th May**, the children in **Nursery London** class were busy learning as they explored nature while on their nature walk. They were very intrigued and passionate about finding mini-beasts. After they explored nature, they coloured, painted and identified the mini-beasts they identified while on their nature walk.



## E-Safety

The Internet is an amazing resource, which enables children to connect, communicate and be creative in a number of different ways on a range of devices. However, children need constant advice and protection when it comes to managing their time online. They need strict guidance to positively and safely access information on the Internet, communicate via social networks, use apps and play games. At school, children's online activity is monitored very closely and strict software security programmes are installed to prevent children accessing inappropriate content.

We advise parents, guardians and carers to reinforce the important message of staying safe online when they are at home. Please ensure your children understand the rules you put in place to keep them safe. Talk to them on a regular basis about what they are looking at online and ensure that you install appropriate software to support and manage your child's safe use of the Internet. Keep your child safe online!

## Year 2 Parent Assembly- Year 2 Kiev

On the **16th June**, **Year 2 Kiev** will be performing their assembly on Habitats. They will be performing a song and providing a quiz about the various habitats for different creatures. Pupils learned why animals live in a certain place and how they live there. They will have masks to show the different animals in their habitat and they are excited to show us what they have learned over the term.

### TYPES OF HABITATS



Coastal



Freshwater



Arid



Polar



Forest




Urban

## Term Dates - 2023 to 2024

The 2023 to 2024 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via ([www.brooksideprimary.co.uk/term-dates](http://www.brooksideprimary.co.uk/term-dates)). Please check these dates, as they will be particularly helpful to parents, guardians, or carers planning a family holiday and activities.

### Books in Bags!

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that it is essential for books to remain in your children's book bags and brought to school on a daily basis.

May and June 2023	
	
<b>May</b>	
Monday, 29th May to Friday 2nd June	Half Term Holiday
<b>June</b>	
Monday 5th June	Term Begins
Monday 5th June to Friday 16th June	Multiplication Timetables Check- Year 4
Tuesday 6th June	3:10 pm- Parent Workshop- Year 4
Wednesday 7th June	Hearing and Vision Screening- Reception
Thursday 8th June	9.10am Year 5 Pretoria Parent Assembly
Thursday 8th June	Empathy Day
Thursday 8th June	Compass Workshop- Year 6
Friday 9th June	Big Break Time- NSPCC Childhood Day
Monday 12th to Friday 16th June	Phonics Screening Check Week Year 1 & Year 2 Resit
Thursday 15th June	9.10am- Year 5 Dakar Parent Assembly.
Friday 16th June	9.10am- Year 2 Kiev Parent Assembly
Sunday 18th June	Fathers Day
Monday 19th June	9.15am - 11.15am Nursery AM And PM Reception Sports Day.
Tuesday 20th June	9.15am - 11.15am Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day
Wednesday 21st June	9.15 -11.15am Years 3,4,5,6 Sports Day
Thursday 22nd June	9.10am- Year 3 Ottawa Parent Assembly
Thursday 22nd June	Internal Workshop Laser Tag Year 6
Thursday 27th June	Year 1 Trip To Odds Farm

### Brush for Better Health - National Smile Month

Now more than ever we need to focus on keeping our teeth as healthy as possible. A recent report published by Public Health England highlighted that Hillingdon has 28.2% of 5-year-old children as having decayed, missing and filled teeth, much higher than the England average! (<https://www.brooksideprimarysch.co.uk/latest-news/brush-for-better-health-national-smile-month>)



	<b>Week Commencing: <i>Monday 5th June</i></b>	
	<b>MENU 1</b>	
<b>MONDAY</b>		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	<b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	<b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	<b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Chicken Goujons with Potatoes and Beans	<b>Gluten/ Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	<b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	<b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Ratatouille Spaghetti	<b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	<b>Gluten/ Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	<i>Jam Sponge</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	<b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	<b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	<b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Lightly Spiced Chicken Breast with Rice	<b>Gluten/ Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	<i>Lemon Tart</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	<b>Halal</b>
Meal Choice 2	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	<b>Non Halal</b>
Meal Choice 3	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake	<b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 4	Turkey Escalope with Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	<b>Gluten/ Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Jelly</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake	<b>Vegetarian</b>
Meal Choice 3	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	<b>Gluten/ Dairy Free</b>
Dessert Choice	<i>Fresh Fruit Salad</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>
<b><i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i></b>		