



FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2023

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#### **Roald Dahl Day**

Brookside Primary School hosted a dress-up day to celebrate the anniversary of Roald Dahl's fascinating stories. Students dressed up as their favourite characters from Roald Dahl's books, such as Matilda, The Enormous Crocodile, and Charlie and The Chocolate Factory. The pupils were thrilled and excited when they saw each other in their costumes. They were engaged and enthused while listening to and watching the extracts and videos from the books. The event was a great success and marked a memorable day for everyone involved.













#### Stay and Read

During the reading sessions, teachers from Nursery to Year 6 reminded parents, carers, and guardians about the importance of reading to their children. They also shared tips and strategies to help improve comprehension and attitude towards reading. Our parents, carers, and guardians had an enjoyable time sharing their passion for reading with their children. We commend the parents who attended and encourage all other parents to participate in these important sessions to improve their level of parental engagement.











## Applying for Secondary School September 2024

Attention all parents, carers and guardians, please be informed that applications for secondary school places in the London Borough of Hillingdon must be received by post or online **no later than Tuesday, 31st October 2023.** To increase the chances of your child being offered a place at your preferred school, it is recommended that you submit your application before the deadline. You can apply for your child's secondary school through the following URL: [https://archive. hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary]. Information regarding the application process has been sent to you via email. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.



## Nursery Stay and Play

Nursery parents are invited to 'Stay and Play', on Tuesday, October 17th 2023 at 9:00- 9:30 (AM) and 1pm-1:30pm (PM) respectively.



## Booster Lessons - 25th September 2023

Booster sessions will start on Wednesday, September 27th, 2023, and will continue throughout the term. Teachers will invite specific students to attend these sessions to improve their understanding and knowledge in subjects such as mathematics, reading comprehension, grammar, phonics, or writing. Please note that booster sessions for Reception to Year 5 will take place at 8:15 a.m. and at 3:30 p.m. for Year 6. Additionally, the After School Fun Clubs will start on Wednesday, October 4th, 2023, to give each child an equal chance to participate in a fun club. Each child is limited to one club, so please indicate your preferred choice when signing up. Thank you.

## Attendance - Importance of Good Attendance

It is important that all children are in school by **8:30am** for soft start to their day. Registration takes place at **9:00am**. Therefore, we would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that it is important for pupils to attend school daily. Research shows that 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%.

## School Uniform

**School uniform** plays a valuable role in supporting positive behaviour for learning. It is designed to instill a sense of pride, identity and belonging. All students are required to wear full school uniform when attending for normal lessons, school photographs, representing the school, and on educational trips and visits. Please communicate with the school if support with uniforms is needed. 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.



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#### Free School Meals - Application Process

**Free School Meals** is a statutory means-tested benefit, which provides a child with meals at school for free. If you believe your child may be newly entitled to this benefit, or if they received it last year and you would like to reapply, please attend the School's Office and request an application form. The School's Office will also be able to advise any parents, guardians or carers who are unfamiliar with the process for claiming 'Free School Meals'. The Free School Meals benefit does not automatically renew; it must be applied for each academic year. It is important to note that until your child has been confirmed as receiving the Free School Meals benefit, their school lunches must be paid for

BROOKSIDE PRIMARY	Week Commencing: <i>Monday September</i> MENU 3			
MONDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy		Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy		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	Orange Jelly Fresh		Fruit and Yoghurts	
TUESDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad Halal			
Meal Choice 2	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad		Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Lasagne with Fresh Salad		Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Minced Beef with Gluten free Pasta		Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Mousse	Fresh	Fruit and Yoghurts	
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 Vegatables 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			Fruit and Yoghurts	
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day				

#### **Emergency Contact Details**

In the best interest of your child's well being whilst at school, it is vitally important, that in the event of an emergency, we are able to make contact with you or another emergency contact, as quickly as possible. To this end we would like to remind all parents, guardians and carers to keep your contact details updated with the school and to ensure that you provide up to date details of at least two other emergency contacts for your child. Thank you.



## Leading Parent Partnership Award (LPPA)

The school continues to work towards its LPPA reaccreditation. Our coordinator is Tishauna McMaster-Isaacs. Please be on the look-out for updates about our LPPA journey!

# LPPA award

Calendar

### September to October 2023

September				
Friday, 22nd September 2023	3:00pm Year 6 Curriculum Meetings			
Wednesday,27th September 2023	Booster Classes Begin Reception to Year 6			
October				
Tuesday,3rd October 2023	Pedestrian Training Year 4			
Wednesday,4th October 2023	After School Clubs Begin			
Thursday,5th October 2023	Picture Day			
Friday,6th October 2023	Pedestrian Training Year 5			