

A Wigstastic Charitable Deed!



One of our resilient and responsible Year 6 pupils, **Sophia Hope** has recently cut her hair for charity **The Little Princess Trust** to help those children with cancer. The charity makes wigs from cuttings that are donated to children and young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or other conditions.

Teaching kids the value of giving

Donating money to a cause your child cares about can make a big impression. When they understand the reach of giving, kids can feel good about acting on their generosity.

On Tuesday, 13th February, Sophia had a haircut, where she had 13 inches of her hair cut off. Also, Sophia was sponsored by family and friends where she was able to raise £180.00 for the cause. Sophia has been working over the years to participate in this charity to give hair and hope to children with cancer. Sophia has been very overwhelmed as she smashed her target of £150 this time around. What an inspirational achievement, Sophia. Well done!



Artists in the Making!



Our **Breakfast Club** and **Art and Craft Club** children entered their creative drawings of their imaginative pets in the “**Perfect Pets**” Competition. We are happy to announce that **Manha Mumtaz** from **Year 5** was chosen as the **BEST** artist in one of their Perfect Pets book series. Her perfect pet “**Georgie**” is now on the front cover of the book. Awesome job to all our artists who had their artwork published in the fantastic collection and congratulations to Manha Mumtaz.

CONGRATULATIONS



Reception's Fruity Salads

For our half term topic ‘**Let’s be Healthy**’, we have been learning about fruits of the world through reading the story ‘**Handa’s Surprise**’. For **Expressive Arts and Design**, we made our own fruit salad using apples, pears, bananas, oranges and raisins. They practiced their cutting skills, chopped up their fruits and mixed it all together to make delicious fruit salads.



Practical Pedestrian Training- Years 2 and 3

On **February 7th and 9th**, children in Years 2 and 3 took part in **Indoor and Outdoor Practical Pedestrian Training** sessions delivered by the **STARS Teams from the Hillingdon borough**. The children 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 children 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.



Year 1 Stockholm's Parent Assembly

Year 1 Stockholm's class assembly will take place on **Thursday, 7th March 2024 at 9:10 a.m.** where parents, guardians and carers are invited. Year 1 Stockholm has been learning the traditional tale of **'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'** in their English lessons. They have had the opportunity to listen to and read the stories themselves. Through their reading, they have learned about the characters and setting. Learning this traditional tale has helped them learn about characteristics including being clever and brave. The children will demonstrate what they have learned through their assembly. We look forward to sharing our knowledge with you.

Hearing and Vision Screening – Reception

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

Year 4 Kuala Lumpur's Parent Assembly

Year 4 Kuala Lumpur's class assembly will take place on **Thursday, 14th March 2024 at 9:10 a.m.** where parents, guardians and carers are invited. The assembly will be based on **Ancient Egypt**. We will look at what life was like in Ancient Egypt as we meet different Pharaohs and learn about their customs and beliefs. We look forward to sharing our knowledge with you.

Red Nose Day- Friday 15th March (Non-Uniform)

On **Friday, 15th March**, we will be celebrating **Comic Relief's Red Nose Day** by wearing something red to school. It is a Non-Uniform day. If you have nothing red to wear, you should wear your full uniform. We are asking for a **£1 donation** in aid of the **Comic Relief Charity**. As a school, we teach our pupils the importance of giving back within the society, especially to those who are less fortunate. We look forward to your continued parental support as you make a difference in someone's life.

Fasting at Ramadan

As Ramadan is drawing near, we would like to make parents, guardians and carers aware that at The Rosedale Hewens Academy Trust, we only allow children in Year 6 to fast, as, in our experience, fasting in year groups below this has a detrimental effect upon a child's overall performance.

Children in lower year groups could be supported to fast at home on the weekend if required, allowing families to supervise their health and wellbeing very closely. If you would like more information about this, please speak with a member of staff in the School Office.

World Book Day- Non-Uniform Day



"Read Your Way this World Book Day 2024". World Book Day 2024 on Thursday, 7th March will celebrate that children are more likely to enjoy reading when their choices are championed and we make reading fun. Read Your Way calls on everyone to let go of pressure and expectations, giving children a choice – and a chance – to enjoy reading.

At Brookside Primary we value reading very highly and we are all going to take part in this special day to celebrate the joy of books and reading. We will be celebrating the pupils' reading successes and they will be taking part in a range of different activities on the day to promote this. As part of the day we are asking for the pupils to come to school dressed as their favourite book characters. In addition to dressing up, each child will be asked to do a book review of one of their favourite stories. They will share their review with their peers in class. As part of World Book Day each child will receive a **World Book Day £1 token** which can be used to purchase new books.




Last days of Boosters and After School Fun Clubs

Please be aware that the last days of Boosters and After School Fun Clubs for the Spring Term will be **Wednesday, 13th March and Thursday, 14th March 2024.**

Parent Carer Support

Raising children doesn't come with a handbook, and sometimes knowing who to reach out to for support or advice is tricky. Brilliant Parents and the Stronger Families Key Working team are offering a friendly and informal drop-in for parents/carers of 0-18 year olds and 0-25 year olds for those with SEND.



We'll be there for a chat, to share advice, support and a range of information in relation to parenting, and mental and emotional wellbeing for all the family.

2024	Harefield Children's Centre High Street, Harefield UB9 6BT	Uxbridge Family Hub Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW	Hayes Family Hub College Way, Hayes UB3 3BB
	Wednesdays 1-3pm	Fridays 5-7pm	Fridays 10am - 12pm
March	6th	8th	15th
April	3rd	12th	19th
May	1st	10th	17th
June	5th	14th	21st
July	3rd	12th	19th
August	7th	16th	23rd
September	4th	13th	20th

For more information contact Sarah on:
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Our goal is to empower parents to feel safe, strong and healthy, whilst building resilience and confidence in your parenting decisions, with the support of a community network.

BROOKSIDE PRIMARY		Week Commencing: <i>Monday, 4th March</i>	
MENU 2			
MONDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Meatballs with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Mousse with Fresh Strawberries</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
TUESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Creamy Pasta Bake	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Lamb Patty with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Chocolate Sponge</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
WEDNESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Baked Jacket Potato with Fillings <i>[sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna]</i>		
Meal Choice 2	Sweet Potato with Fillings <i>[sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna]</i>	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Salad and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Fruit Tarts</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
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	Vegetable Tart	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Vanilla Cheesecake</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
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	Vegetable and Cheese Pasta Bake	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Apple Pie</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>			

Term dates

SPRING TERM 2024	
Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 8 th January 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 9 th January 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation - afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 10 th January 2024
Half Term:	Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th February 2024
Term Ends:	Thursday 28 th March 2024
SUMMER TERM 2024	
Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 15 th April 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 16 th April 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation - afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 17 th April 2024
Bank Holiday:	Monday 6 th May 2024 (May Day)
Half Term:	Monday 27 th to Friday 31 st May 2024
Term Ends:	Monday 22 nd July 2024
Staff Training:	Tuesday 23 rd July 2024
Staff Training:	Wednesday 24 th July 2024

 March 2024	
MARCH	
Friday, 1st	St. David's Day
Monday, 4th - 8th	National Careers Week
Tuesday, 5th	Mars Day
Thursday, 7th	9:10 a.m. Year 1 Stockholm Parent Assembly
Thursday, 7th	World Book Day (Non-Uniform Day) Hearing & Vision Screening- Reception
Friday, 8th	International Women's Day
Friday, 8th - Friday, 15th	British Science Week
Sunday, 10th	Mother's Day
Tuesday, 12th	Liberal Jewish Synagogue Trip- Year 5 Pretoria
Thursday, 14th	Liberal Jewish Synagogue Trip- Year 5 Dakar International Day of Mathematics
Thursday, 14th	9:10 a.m. Year 4 Kuala Lumpur Parent Assembly
Thursday, 14th	Last day of Boosters and After School Clubs
Friday, 15th	Comic Relief Red Nose Day (Non-Uniform)
Monday, 18th	St. Patrick's Day- Wear something green
Monday, 18th - Friday 22nd	Rising Stars Papers, Year 1 & 2 Phonics, Year 6 SATS Practice Papers
Tuesday, 19th	Dr. Chocs Chocolate Factory Trip- Year 2 Kiev
Thursday, 21st	Year 6 Junior Citizens Event Dr. Chocs Chocolate Factory Trip- Year 2 Ankara World Poetry Day
Thursday, 21st	9:10 a.m. Year 1 Helsinki Parent Assembly
Friday, 22nd	9:10 a.m. Year 2 Kiev Parent Assembly
Friday, 22nd	World Water Day
Tuesday, 26th	9:10 a.m. Year 5 Pretoria Parent Assembly
Tuesday, 26th	Easter Bonnet Parade and Easter Egg Hunt
Wednesday, 27th	Sing! 24 Primary Singing Festival
Thursday, 28th	End of Term- Staggered Early Dismissal 11:45 a.m.- EYFS & KS1 12:00 p.m.- KS2
Friday, 29th - Tuesday, 16th April	Easter Holiday Break