



Stay and Read

Brookside Primary School hosted a dress-up day to celebrate the anniversary of Roald Dahl's fascinating stories. Pupils dressed up as their favourite characters from Roald Dahl's books, such as Matilda, The Enormous Crocodile, Mr. Fox 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.



KS2 Stay and Read

During the reading sessions, teachers from Key Stage 2 reminded parents, carers, and guardians about the importance of reading to their children. They also shared tips and strategies to help improve reading 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.



Cycle to School Week

Do you want to save money, get healthier and protect the environment? Then make a pledge to pedal using the form below for Cycle to School Week, taking place this year between **Monday, 23 – Friday, 27 September**. When you make a pledge we'll send you an awesome activity pack too!

Pledging is for everyone, no matter how you travel. Show your support by pledging today, and you'll get an awesome activity pack, and entry into the prize draw to WIN a [Squish cycle](#) worth £329.99! T&Cs apply.

This year, Cycle to School Week is supported by [NatWest Rooster Money](#). Just like everyone at Bikeability, they believe in reinforcing positive behaviours from a young age, to instill confidence and independence. [Find out more about NatWest Rooster Money](#) and give your kids a head start with finances.



Hewens College Open Evening - Thursday 26th September

Visit at Hewens College on Thursday 26th September for an exciting Open Evening where you can explore the college, meet their team, learn about their curriculum and what they have to offer! This in-person event is a great opportunity to get a feel for college life and ask any questions you may have. Whether you're a prospective student or just curious about what they have to offer. Go and see for yourself why Hewens College is the place to be.

Guided tours start from 5:30pm.

Principal's speech will be held at 6:15pm.

Hewens College
OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2024

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School Uniforms

School uniform plays a valuable role in supporting positive behaviour for learning. It is designed to instil a sense of pride, identity and belonging. All children 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.

GIRLS UNIFORM		GIRLS PE KIT	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BLACK BLAZER (with badge) BLACK CARDIGAN (with badge) BLACK PINAFORE DRESS BLACK SKIRT BLACK PLAIN TROUSERS BLUE SUMMER DRESS WHITE SHIRT (with Revere Collar) BLACK SENSIBLE SHOES (Plain) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WHITE POLO SHIRT (with badge) BLACK PE SHORTS (with badge) BLUE SWEATSHIRT (with badge) Black trainers or plimsoles
BOYS UNIFORM		BOYS PE KIT	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BLACK BLAZER (with badge) BLACK JUMPER (with badge) BLACK PLAIN TROUSERS BLACK FORMAL SHORTS WHITE SHIRT TIE (School colours, worn with the two colour wave showing) BLACK SENSIBLE SHOES (Plain) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WHITE POLO SHIRT (with badge) BLACK PE SHORTS (with badge) BLUE SWEATSHIRT (with badge) Black trainers or plimsoles

Applying for Secondary School September 2025

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 that the closing date for applications for Secondary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon is Thursday 31st October 2024. You can apply for your child's secondary school at www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary. You will receive information with regard to applying for your child starting secondary school shortly via email.

Universal Free School Meals

We are delighted to announce that all pupils from Years 3 – 6 will continue to have access to school lunches free of charge. The funding for this venture will be provided by the Office of the Mayor of London. This will ensure that all pupils will have access to high quality meals on a daily basis.

Authorised and Unauthorised Absence

Your child's absence from school will only be authorised if:

- They are too ill to attend. In this case, you must ensure you contact the school on each morning of your child's absence by 8:45am. The only exception to this is in the case of long-term absence due to illness, in this instance we will require a letter from your GP or Hospital.
- Your child has a medical appointment and the school has been notified, however, whenever possible medical appointments should be made outside of school hours.
- Exceptional circumstances apply and the Headteacher has given permission.

If your child is absent from school and the school has not been informed of the reason, their absence will be recorded as unauthorised. Any absence other than in circumstances as described above, will be recorded as unauthorised. In this instance the parent, guardian or carer of an absent child may be issued a Fixed Penalty Notice by the local authority.

Primary School Admissions 2025

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon is **Wednesday 15th January 2025**.

To ensure your application arrives on time and in order to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications prior to the Christmas holiday period. Further information can be found on (www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary). You will receive information with regard to applying for your child starting primary school shortly via email.

Become a Parent Governor

Use your skills to support your school

BROOKSIDE PRIMARY

Why not collect further information together with an application form to become a member of the Governing Body? Please ask at Reception.

Asthma Advisory Notice

The Hillingdon Champions of Asthma Team have requested we advise parents, guardians and carers of children who suffer from asthma to ensure their children take their **preventative inhaler regularly every day**, even if well, as we head towards the middle of September. This advisory has been published as this time of year normally proves to be the most troublesome time for asthmatics.



Tesco Stronger Starts - Vote In Hillingdon Stores for Brookside Primary School Now!

Stronger Starts

Vote in HILLINGDON STORES NOW!

Brookside Primary School - After School Childcare

We would like to support our working families by offering a wide range of after school clubs and activities for our children, five days a week.

Stronger Starts TESCO Every little helps

Helping children thrive

THE ROSEDALE HEWENS ACADEMY TRUST

BROOKSIDE PRIMARY

We are delighted to let you know that our After School Childcare Project for **Brookside Primary School** has been shortlisted for the **Tesco Stronger Starts Fund** and will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores in Hillingdon!

Voting has now commenced in Hillingdon stores and will be advertised **until the end of September 2024**.

The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500.

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value and you will receive one token per transaction.

Please visit our website for a full list of stores in Hillingdon: <https://trhat.co.uk/tesco-stronger-starts-fund-brookside-primary-school/>

Don't forget to cast your vote in Hillingdon stores for the After School Childcare Project for Brookside Primary School- Every little helps!

BROOKSIDE
PRIMARY

Week Commencing: *Monday, 23rd September*


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

Terms and Holidays

AUTUMN TERM 2024	
Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 2nd September 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 3rd September 2024 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 4th September 2024 (All year groups)
Half Term:	Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024
Term Ends:	Friday 20th December 2024
SPRING TERM 2025	
Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 6th January 2025 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 7th January 2025 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 8th January 2025
Half Term:	Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2025
Term Ends:	Friday 4th April 2025

 **September - November 2024**

SEPTEMBER		
Monday, 23rd - Friday, 27th		Cycle to School Week
Monday, 30th		Booster Classes Begin
Monday, 30th		After School Fun Clubs Begin
OCTOBER		
Tuesday, 1st - Thursday, 31st		Black History Month
Thursday, 3rd		National Poetry Day
Friday, 4th	8:30 a.m.	Nursery Stay and Play AM
Friday, 4th	12:15 p.m.	Nursery Stay and Play PM
Friday, 4th - Thursday, 10th		World Space Week
Thursday, 10th		World Mental Health Day- Hello Yellow
Monday, 14th - Sunday, 20th		National Recycling Week
Tuesday, 15th		Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 5
Wednesday, 16th		Practical Pedestrian Training- Year 4
Wednesday, 16th		World Food Day
Monday, 21st		Individual Photograph Day
Monday, 28th - Friday, 1st November		Halfterm Break
NOVEMBER		
Monday, 4th	8:30 a.m.	Autumn 2 Term begins
Tuesday, 5th		Guy Fawkes Night/ Bonfire Night
Friday, 8th		World Science Day
Monday, 11th		Remembrance Day
Monday, 11th - Friday, 15th		Anti-Bullying Week
Friday, 15th		BBC Children in Need- Non Uniform
Sunday, 17th - Saturday, 23rd		Road Safety Week
Monday, 18th - Friday, 22nd		Phonics, Rising Stars and SATS Assessment Week
Thursday, 28th		Last Day of Autumn Boosters
Thursday, 28th		Last Day of After School Fun Clubs
Friday, 29th		St. Andrew's Day