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## Year 6 Experience Life in Victorian Britain

Year 6 had the wonderful opportunity to step back in time and experience an engaging Victorian Workshop packed with lively, hands-on activities. The children discovered what school life was like during the Victorian Era, gaining insight into the stern classroom rules and harsh punishments that pupils once faced. They explored fascinating Victorian clothing, traditional toys, and intriguing household artefacts, while also learning about the striking contrast between the lives of wealthy and impoverished Victorian children. The workshop also revealed the demanding jobs many children carried out during the Industrial Revolution. Through exciting role-play activities, pupils immersed themselves in the lives of Victorian schoolchildren and investigated remarkable inventions and revolutionary



## A Journey Through Roman Times

On Friday 8th May, Year 3 took part in an exciting and interactive Roman Workshop led by Crew Workshops. The children travelled back in time to explore life in Roman Britain and learned all about the successful Roman invasion led by Claudius in AD43. Through engaging role-play activities, pupils became Roman legionaries, bath house slaves, and Romano-Britons, discovering what everyday life was like during the Roman era. They explored fascinating artefacts, learned about Roman culture and inventions, and found out how the Romans influenced Britain and shaped many aspects of modern life today. From training soldiers to investigating battles and even learning about unusual Roman foods, the workshop brought history to life and gave the children a memorable hands-on learning experience.



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### Show and Tell Fun!

The Nursery pupils had a wonderful time during their recent Show and Tell session, where they were invited to bring a special toy from home to share with their classmates. Each child took turns proudly showing their toy and explaining why it is important to them, helping to build confidence, communication, and listening skills. We saw a fantastic variety of toys, including cuddly teddies, action figures, dolls, cars, and creative toys. The children used simple sentences to talk about their toys, sharing their names, where they came from, and how they enjoy playing with them.



Some pupils also answered thoughtful questions from their friends, developing their speaking and thinking skills even further. The rest of the class listened beautifully, showed great interest, and asked kind questions. It was lovely to see the children making connections with one another, especially when they discovered shared interests and similar toys. Overall, the session was a fun and meaningful experience that supported the pupil's language development, confidence, and social skills while encouraging positive interactions with their peers.

### KS2 Pupils Shine at Tri-Golf Festival

On Friday 8th May 2026, a group of our KS2 pupils took part in the Tri-Golf Festival at Cranford Community College. The pupils demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, teamwork, and determination throughout the event whilst developing their golf skills through a range of fun and engaging activities. They represented the school brilliantly, showing encouragement and respect towards one another and other participating schools. Well done to all pupils involved for their fantastic attitude and effort!



### Well Done Year 6!

A huge congratulations to all of our Year 6 pupils for completing their SATs this week. We are incredibly proud of the hard work, determination, and resilience they have shown throughout the year and during the tests themselves. The pupils approached the week with a fantastic attitude and should all feel very proud of their achievements. To celebrate all of their efforts, Year 6 will be taking part in a variety of exciting activities over the coming weeks, so stay tuned for more updates and celebrations!

### Preparing for the Change in Weather – Summer

Now the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child comes to school wearing sun cream and is equipped with a bottle of water and a hat, as they will be taking part in a lot of outdoor activities. Thank you.



### Mental Health Awareness Week 2026

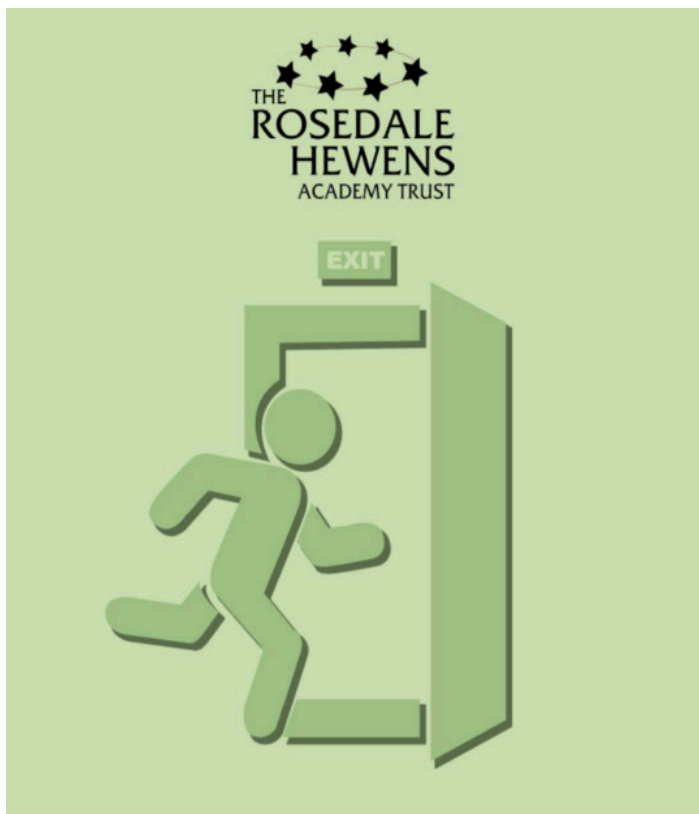
From Monday 11th May to Sunday 17th May, we will be recognising Mental Health Awareness Week. Throughout the week, the children will take part in a range of activities designed to promote positive wellbeing, kindness, resilience, and healthy ways to manage emotions. Mental Health Awareness Week is an important opportunity to remind children that looking after our minds is just as important as looking after our bodies. Through class discussions, mindfulness activities, creative tasks, and teamwork, pupils will explore ways to support their own mental health and the wellbeing of others. We encourage families to continue these conversations at home and help children understand the importance of talking about their feelings, staying active, getting enough rest, and showing kindness to themselves and others.

## Half Term Break – Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

The School will be closed from Monday, 25th May to Friday, 29th May for the Half Term holiday. The School will reopen on Monday, 1st June at 8:30 a.m.

## Supporting A Safe Evacuation for Everyone - New Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan (PEEP) Healthy Lunch

We operate a system of assisted evacuation for disabled persons and others who may need help in an emergency. Please speak to our Reception Team and we will provide you with a suitable strategy. We have trained members of staff who can assist you if it is necessary to evacuate. These staff will be constantly aware of your location in the premises. In the event of an emergency, we want to ensure that we provide you with assistance in the most appropriate way for you. You must follow instructions given by staff for your own safe evacuation. <https://www.brooksideprimariesch.co.uk/latest-news/supporting-a-safe-evacuation-for-everyone>



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## Enriching Wraparound Care Sessions!

In January 2026, we launched our brand-new Wrap-around Care Programme—designed to make after-school hours stress-free for families and enriching for pupils. With a wide range of activities including dance, sports, creative arts, as well as mindfulness and relaxation sessions, children benefit from a safe, structured, and inspiring environment every day. We encourage all parents, guardians, and carers to explore the available sessions and secure a place for their child via iPayimpact. With flexible pick-up times, affordable pricing, and special offers available when booking multiple sessions, our programme is a fantastic way to support both busy families and happy, engaged children. Don't miss out—book now to guarantee your child's place!

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BROOKSIDE PRIMARY

NEW OFFER

Brookside's **NEW** After-School Care Sessions - Starting January 2026

7:45am to 6:00pm  
Monday to Friday  
**First Session**  
**Completely FREE!**

Golf, Dance, Tennis, Football, Basketball, Homework & Crafting

## After School Fun Clubs

After School Fun Clubs will begin on the week beginning Monday 27th May 2026. To ensure that every child has a fair opportunity to take part in a club, each child will be limited to one club. Letters were sent out on Friday 24th April and must be returned to the school office by Monday 28th April. Please note that after school clubs end at 4:00 p.m., and once your child has been allocated a confirmed club, you must ensure they are collected promptly. After school clubs will run from Wednesday 29th April to Thursday 2nd July 2026.



## May and June 2026

May	
Monday 18th	International Museum Day
Monday 18th	Year 1 Pirate Workshop
Wednesday 20th to 25th May	Walk to School Week
Wednesday 20th	KS2 Quad Athletics
Friday 22nd	Year 1 Pirate Assembly
Monday 25th - Friday 29th	Half Term Break
Tuesday 26th or Wednesday 27th	Eid Al Adha
June	
Friday 5th	NSPCC Childhood Day - Big Break
Monday 8th	Key Stage One Phonics Screening Check Begins
Monday 8th	Year 6 KISS Workshop

SPRING TERM 2026	
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation - afternoon and early evening]
<b>Term Begins:</b>	<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>
<b>Half Term:</b>	<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026</b>
<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>
SUMMER TERM 2026	
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation - afternoon and early evening]
<b>Term Begins:</b>	<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>
<b>Bank Holiday:</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026 (May Day)</b>
<b>Half Term:</b>	<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>
<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>
<b>Staff Training:</b>	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>
<b>Staff Training:</b>	<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026</b>

## Year 6 Post-SATs Activities

Congratulations to all of our Year 6 pupils for completing their SATs! We are incredibly proud of their hard work, resilience, and positive attitude throughout the week. To celebrate the end of SATs, pupils will be taking part in a range of exciting trips and activities over the coming weeks. Further information, including payment details, will shortly be available on iPay, so please keep an eye out for updates.

BROOKSIDE PRIMARY		Week Commencing: <i>Monday 18th May 2026</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> )		
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Salad and Beans		
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>			

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