



## Nursery Elves at Work

With wonder and anticipation in their eyes, our Nursery pupils have been busy, creative, little elves, thrilled at the prospect of Christmas, as they designed shiny, glittery stars for the Christmas tree this week, which will be adorned virtually in front of parents, guardians and carers on Wednesday 9th December. Please see diary dates for more information.



## Let's Find some Invertebrates

Year 4 New Delhi and Kuala Lumpur, went on a playground excursion for their science lesson on Wednesday 25th November, to explore different types of invertebrate creatures that might exist in our local environment. In groups, pupils found snails, centipedes, spiders and many tinier creatures living in the soil, under rocks and other greenery. The class then went on to make a list of the species and describe their characteristics. The lesson was all encompassing, from identifying species, to highlighting characteristics and learning about their food intake and local habitat, and how animals seemed to be able to adapt to their environment.







### What can you Smell?

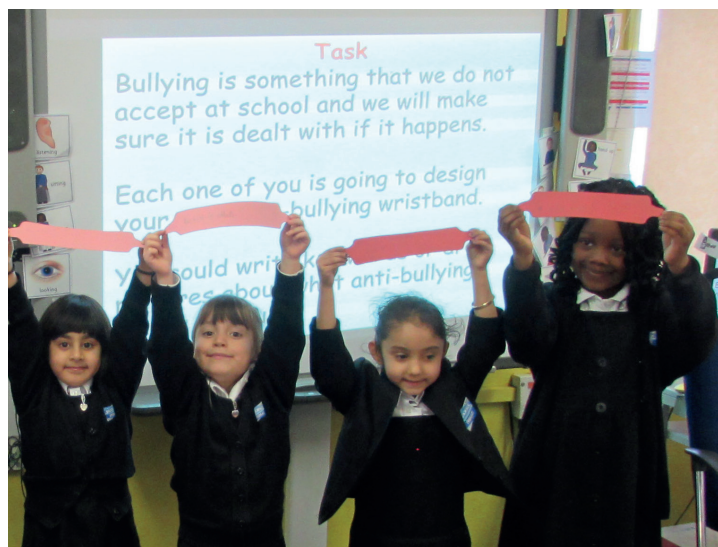
Year 1 pupils have been using their nose to explore their sense of smell during a science lesson on Friday 27th November. They engaged in compelling discussions about what our sense of smell can tell us about our environment and how we can recognise particular smells, for instance, pleasant smells like 'tasty' food, foul smells like dirty socks and dangerous smells like smoke from a fire. Pupils in Year 1 will continue exploring the importance of smell for the rest of the term.





## Anti-Bullying – Year 1

On Friday 27th November, pupils in Year 1 celebrated anti-bullying week by creating paper bracelets with varying statements such as, “No Pushing”, “Do not be Mean to Anyone” and “Names can never Hurt Me”. It was amazing to see all the pupils really engaged and focused by taking a stance against bullying!



## Individual School Photographs

The School photographer is scheduled to visit on Monday 7th December to take individual photographs of the children. Please be advised that children must wear full school uniform for individual photographs. Due to coronavirus (COVID-19), this year, the School will not be providing missing items of clothing for the purpose of the photographs.

## Parent Academic Conference

Please be advised that parent academic meetings will be cancelled this term and have been postponed for January 2021. Please continue to check the diary dates in the new year. Should you require any further information, please contact the School Office. Thank you for your continued support.

## Christmas Tree Decorating

This year, we would like the children to continue with the tradition of hanging their handmade decorations on the Christmas Tree and showcasing this to their families. With this in mind, we would like to invite all parents, guardians and carers to watch their child's Christmas Tree Trimming Assembly via Microsoft Teams using their child's login details, which can be found in their reading record. Please see the schedule in the diary dates to find out what time your child's assembly will be. Let's see if there will be a surprise visit from Father Christmas this year or if he has to quarantine after arriving from the North Pole!

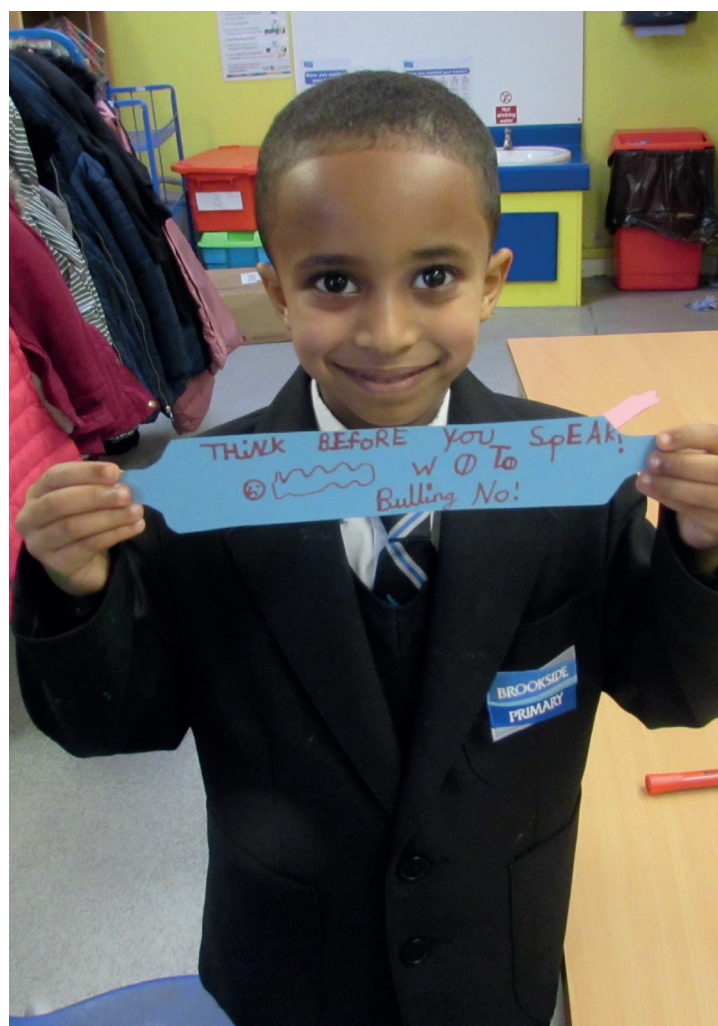
If you have any questions, please contact the School Office.

## Christmas Meals

On Friday 11th December, we will be offering the children who wish to have a school dinner, a traditional Christmas meal and a dessert at a small cost of £2.40.

All information regarding Christmas meals is available on IPayimpact. You will be required to log into your child's IPay account and select their meal preference at your earliest convenience. Please ensure your child's account is topped up with sufficient funds if you would like them to enjoy the festive meal. Once this is received, staff will then be able to pre-order to guarantee your child's meal choice.

Please also note that on Thursday 10th December, there will be a menu change.



 <h2 style="text-align: center;">DECEMBER 2020</h2>		
DECEMBER		
Monday 7th		National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) Height and Weight Checks – Reception and Year 6
Monday 7th		Individual School Photographs
Wednesday 9th	9:00am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Nursery AM
Wednesday 9th	9:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Madrid
Wednesday 9th	10:00am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Berlin
Wednesday 9th	10:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Stockholm
Wednesday 9th	2:00pm	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Helsinki
Wednesday 9th	2:30pm	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Nursery PM
Thursday 10th	9:00am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Ankara
Thursday 10th	9:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Kiev
Thursday 10th	10:00am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Ottawa
Thursday 10th	10:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Brasilia
Thursday 10th	2:00pm	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Kuala Lumpur
Thursday 10th	2:30pm	Tree Decorating and Carolling - New Delhi
Friday 11th	9:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Pretoria
Friday 11th	10:00am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Dakar
Friday 11th	10:30am	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Wellington
Friday 11th	2:00pm	Tree Decorating and Carolling - Canberra
Friday 11th		Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 11th		Christmas Meal

### Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 11th December, all the children are invited to wear their favourite Christmas jumper to school! We respectfully request that each child brings the sum of £1 to school on this day to help us raise as much money as possible for extra classroom resources. We look forward to seeing many happy and excited children wearing their favourite Christmas jumper to school on this day, whilst helping the School receive extra funding for new resources for the classroom! We thank you in advance of your generosity.

<div><div>BROOKSIDE</div><div>PRIMARY</div></div>		Week Commencing: <i>Monday 7th December</i>	
		SPECIAL MENU 1	
			
MONDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Chicken Goujons with Potatoes and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
TUESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Ratatouille Spaghetti	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Jam Sponge</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
WEDNESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Lightly Spiced Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Lemon Tart</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
THURSDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges		
Meal Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 3	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	<i>Fresh Fruit Salad</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
FRIDAY - <i>'Christmas Meal'</i>			
Meal Choice 1	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Gluten free Rich Onion Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy and a Pork Chipolata wrapped in Smoked Bacon	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 4	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Gluten free Rich Onion Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free Non Halal	
Meal Choice 5	Cheddar Cheese, Tomato and Basil Tart with an Onion Marmalade	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 6	Whole Roasted Cauliflower with Garlic, Thyme and Black pepper	Gluten/Dairy Free Vegetarian	
Vegetables	Roasted Rosemary and Thyme Potatoes, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Honey Glazed Baby Carrots and Baby Buttered Brussels Sprouts		
	Gluten Free Sage and Onion Stuffing		
Dessert Choice	<i>Rich Chocolate Cake with a Caramel Fudge Sauce</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
Gluten Free Dessert Choice	<i>Gluten Free Chocolate Fudge Cake served with Fresh Strawberries</i>		
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>			

### Hearing and Vision Screening

On Monday 14th December, the School nurses will be visiting the School to undertake a Hearing and Vision Screening for all Reception children. The local Nursing Team will carry out the tests in a private area. The team will also test your child's vision. The screening will seem more like a game to the children and nothing will touch their eyes.

If your child wears glasses, they will not have their vision tested. If they are receiving treatment for a hearing problem or wear hearing aids, they will not have their hearing tested. If you have any questions in relation to the tests, please contact the School office.

### End of Term

Parents, guardians and carers are reminded that Friday 18th December is the last day of term. School recommences for the spring term on Wednesday 6th January.