



Brookland Infant and Nursery School

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Enjoyment of learning, achievement for all

Thank You & Reminders

Thank you to all those parents/carers who are respecting the social distancing rules and for those of you who are wearing face coverings. We realise that social distancing is very challenging with so many parents and children accessing our schools, however it is very important to keep us all safe.

Thank you also to everyone for following the many other rules that we have had to put in place in these strange times to keep everyone safe. There are lots of reminders again below as we are doing our best to keep our school open.

- Please ensure only 1 adult brings your child to school and only 1 collects to help reduce the number of people on our school site.
- Please keep your children with you while on the school site and do not allow them to play on the trim trail, climbing frame, MUGA or any of the equipment in the Early Years garden.
- Please arrive on site for drop off/pick up not more than 10 minutes before your child's allocated start/finish time. We do, however, understand that if you have more than one child this may not be possible.
- Please leave the site as soon as you have dropped off or collected your child to help reduce the number of people on site at any one time.
- Please remember you should not send your child to school if they are ill.
- If your child becomes ill during the day we will contact you and expect you to come and collect them immediately. PLEASE let us know if you change phone numbers or want to add new contacts to your child's records. Ensure you check your phone regularly.
- Please keep the school up to date if your child or anyone in your household has symptoms and is being tested and let us know test results when you receive them. Email to admin@brooklandinfants.herts.sch.uk - we will continue to respond to email throughout half term.
- Our children are now able to enjoy hot meals at lunchtime. Please remember that we need two weeks notice if your child wishes to change to school meals.
- Class emails should only be used to communicate to teachers about school work. Please do not use these email addresses for messages that the office need - eg absences, illness, appointments, school meals, test results.

PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGE FOR IMPORTANT DETAILS ABOUT FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS

Forest School

Forest School sessions start again after half term with all children having a Forest School session once a week.

The table below shows which day each class will have their Forest School session.

Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Magnolia Class Oak Class Rowan Class	Beech Class Maple Class Mulberry Class	Ash Class Hazel Class Holly Class	Cherry Class (am and pm)

Forest School happens in all weathers (unless extreme and deemed unsafe by the leader) including snow, rain and heat. If it is your child's Forest school day please assume it will happen whatever the weather.



Children in Year 2, Year 1 and Reception:

- need to come to school dressed ready for forest school
 - legs must be covered so leggings/joggers
 - long sleeved top (jumper or sweatshirt)
 - warm waterproof coat
 - hat and gloves
 - with their Wellingtons in a named plastic bag
- and bring a change of leggings/joggers in a named bag for if needed to change into after their session in the forest

Children in Nursery:

- need to come to school dressed ready for forest school
 - legs must be covered so leggings/joggers
 - long sleeved top (jumper or sweatshirt)
 - warm waterproof coat
 - hat and gloves
 - Wellies
- Pair of shoes in a named plastic bag to wear after forest school session

PLEASE CLEAN YOUR CHILD'S WELLIES AFTER THEIR FOREST SCHOOL SESSION

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHILD NEEDS TO COME DRESSED FOR FOREST SCHOOL ON THEIR FOREST SCHOOL DAYS

In reception and nursery the children will begin by learning the forest school rules and the resources in the forest school classroom. They will then learn about about animal homes, seasons and begin to learn about simple tools, how to use them safely and what they can be used for.

In Year 1 we will be learning how to use knots to help their dens stay up. The Year 2s are now professionals at doing knots so they will be building their dens independently. They will be making their own small dens to put up around Elmwood Forest using tools and ropes to build them. Good luck everyone and have fun!!

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Maple Class



Holly Class

Throughout all year groups the children have really impressed Mr Pritchard and their class teachers, especially after having a long time off school!

Nursery and Reception children have been working on fundamentals skills, learning how to travel and having loads of fun!

Year 2 and Year 1 children have been learning invasion games which they have loved! Challenge your child to tell you what they have learnt about the topic 'invasion' with Mr Pritchard. We're sure you will be impressed!!

Messages from Hertfordshire County Council

Hertfordshire County Council have asked us to encourage you all to continue playing your part following Government and Public Health guidance over the half-term break.

Play your part and have a safe half-term

We know that the autumn half-term is a favourite time for families, especially with Halloween falling in the same week. [This year we are asking everyone to have a safe half-term and help protect your loved ones and your community.](#)

Practice firework safety this Bonfire Night

When a home firework display goes wrong it can set fire to sheds, fences, and foliage and potentially cause serious injuries. [If your local display has been cancelled, we're urging you to think carefully before you buy fireworks for home use.](#)