



Brookland Infant and Nursery School

Enjoyment of learning, achievement for all

Autumn 1-September 24

NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to school

We hope you have all had a lovely and restful summer break. We were delighted to welcome the children back to school this week and to meet the new parents and children who have joined us this September.

We would like to welcome you to our school, and hope that your children enjoy the start of their learning journey with us.



School Meals

Children in reception will be having a school lunch from Monday 9th September. All children in the infant school are eligible for a free school lunch and have a variety of freshly prepared meals to choose from every day, which have to be booked in advance on the SchoolGrid website.

- Lunch orders need to be placed or cancelled before 8:30am on the day
- If your child is absent from school, please remember to cancel their meal order
- If no lunch order is received before 8:30am, a Jacket Potato will be provided for your child
- You can place meal orders up to 10 weeks in advance



If you need any support with the SchoolGrid system or have been unable to access your account please contact the School Office.

If your child has an allergy or dietary requirement, please ensure you have contacted Herts Catering to register for a special menu for your child. More information can be found on the HCL website <https://specialmenu.hcl.co.uk/>

Cancelling Lunches:

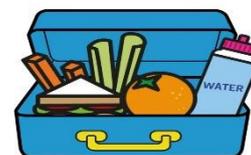
If your child is absent or you provide a home packed lunch you must cancel their lunch order by 8:30am.

If you don't do this the school will still be charged for the lunch and will pass this charge on to you. Parents who do not cancel their child's meal if their child is absent from school will be charged for the meal at the current rate of £2.53

Home packed lunches

If your child is having a home prepared packed lunch, please support us with providing a healthy meal that meets the following guidelines:

- NO nuts or nut based foods such as Nutella or some cereal bars.**
- One sandwich or other similar carbohydrate alternative
- Bite sized pieces of fruit or vegetables eg Strawberries/cucumber or 1 piece of larger fruit (Please ensure that if grapes are provided they are cut in half lengthways)
- A small treat such as a biscuit- please do not provide sweets, chocolate or marshmallows.
- Please only include items in packaging that the children can undo independently



Year 1 and 2 'Meet the Teacher' Parent Workshops

We would like to invite year 1 and 2 parents to our 'Meet the Teacher' events which give you the opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher and to find out more information about their new year group.

Year 1- 2:45pm	Year 2- 2:45pm
Beech Class - Monday 9 th September at 2:45pm	Maple Class - Tuesday 10 th September at 2:45pm
Ash Class - Monday 9 th September at 2:45pm	Hazel Class - Tuesday 10 th September at 2:45pm
	Oak Class - Tuesday 10 th September at 2:45pm

These events will take place in your child's classroom, please ensure you arrive on time

Forest school and PE timetable

Forest School:

Forest school sessions for the first half of the Autumn term will begin next week for children in Year 1 and Year 2. Reception and Nursery child will be having their forest school adventures after October half term.

Your child must come dressed for forest school on the day their session is due to take place. Forest school sessions take place in all weathers including snow, rain and heat so please always assume your child's session will take place.

- Legs must be covered (eg full length leggings or joggers)
- A long-sleeved top (jumper, sweatshirt or long-sleeved T-shirt in warmer weather)
- A warm waterproof coat
- Hat and gloves (In colder weather)
- Wellies in a named plastic bag together with a spare change of clothing in case your child gets wet or muddy

Please ensure your child's wellies are cleaned after each forest school session.

PE:

Children should come to school dressed in their PE uniform on their allocated PE days. PE will take place whenever the weather allows. Please dress your child in the following for their PE lesson:

- Black/navy shorts, leggings or joggers
- White or light blue T-shirt
- School jumper/cardigan
- Trainers

	Forest School	PE
Holly	-	Wednesday
Mulberry	-	Wednesday
Ash	Tuesday	Thursday
Beech	Friday	Thursday
Hazel	Tuesday	Thursday
Maple	Tuesday	Thursday
Oak	Friday	Tuesday

Jeans for Genes Day- Friday 20th September



We will be supporting research into genetic abnormalities through the [Jeans for Genes day](#) which will take place on Friday 20th September. Children are invited to wear jeans on this day for a suggested donation of £2 - we will send details on how you can donate to this fantastic cause next week.

Please could children still wear their school jumpers/cardigans on the day

Year 1 & 2 Morning Sports Club



We are delighted to introduce a morning sports club for children in Year 1 and 2 starting from Monday 9th September. The benefits these clubs will bring to the children include:

- Improving children's learning by getting them involved in physical activity before starting their day.
- Encouraging and promoting a healthy lifestyle.
- Developing children's social skills and positive interaction.
- Children enjoying having time to socialise and have fun with their peers through engaging in physical activities and games.

Morning sports club are being run by GC Sports in the school hall and will be available to book through Arbor Parent Portal . Sessions can be booked in advance until 4pm the day before you wish your child to attend.

Athletics

Basketball

Hockey



Morning Sports Club runs every day of the week

Start Time: 8:00am

Finish Time: 8:45am (children will be taken to their classrooms when the session finishes)

Year Groups: 1 and 2

Cost: £3 per session



Bounce Clap

Fun Circuits

Dodgeball

Football

Multi-Skills

Food is not provided during these sessions, please ensure your child has breakfast before they attend. If your child currently has 1-2-1 adult support when attending school, please speak to the school office prior to booking sessions for your child.

Diary Dates

Please note: dates below may be subject to change at short notice

September 2024

Monday 9 th September	Year 1 Meet the Teacher event at 2:45pm
Tuesday 10 th September	Year 2 Meet the Teacher event at 2:45pm
Friday 20 th September	Jeans for Genes day- Children can come to school dressed in Jeans

October 2024

Monday 14 th October	Individual children school photographs
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