

Brookside Primary School

Learning for Life **Newsletter Autumn Term Issue 7**



20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you enjoyed the recent Christmas productions and Carol Concert at Brookside. It was lovely to see so many of you watching your children perform and sing. Well done to all of the children, who all did brilliantly.

We hope you all have a good Christmas and New Year and enjoy the time with family and friends. We look forward to seeing you in 2025. The new term starts on Monday 6th January.

FoBS Christmas Bazaar

A huge thank you to the members of FoBS for organising and running the Christmas Bazaar on Wednesday. It was a wonderful event and it was good to so see so many children and parents enjoying the stalls, games and refreshments. Thank you also to the school staff who helped out. We are pleased to announce that FoBS raised £3195, the biggest amount ever for a Christmas event. With the Halloween disco and wreath workshops FoBS have raised £5200 this term which will really benefit all children at Brookside. Well done FoBS!

Arbor - New Management Information System

From the beginning of next term we will be using a new management information system (MIS) to take registers amongst many other things in school. Emails concerning your child will be sent from this new system from the beginning of term and you will no longer receive emails from Integris. More information about the new system will be shared with you, via email, in Ĵanuary.

Online Safety – The ABC Checklist (thanks to the Online Safety Weekly Update)

With Christmas just around the corner, the holiday period is a great time to take stock of the devices your children have (plus any new Christmas devices) and ensure they are set up correctly with any parental features you feel are appropriate for your

One frustrating issue is that the available features and how you set devices up differ, so to help parents Internet Matters have really good, non-techie guides which you can follow as part of their ABC Checklist. ABC stands for:

- A Activate parental controls.
- B Balance screen time.
- C Check and chat.

You can find a full explanation, set up guides and advice **HERE**.

Online Safety — Emotional Safety on Roblox (thanks to the Online Safety Weekly Update)
The Jed Foundation have put together a great guide for parents regarding emotional safety/wellbeing on Roblox. Although the guide refers to US teens, I would say this guide is appropriate for all children. It covers cyberbullying, signs a child might be struggling online and what parents can do.

You can find the guide **HERE**.

More information is available on the NSPCC website - https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/onlinesafety-blog/roblox/

School Uniform

If you are buying uniform in the January sales can we please remind you of the School Uniform Policy. All children who choose to wear trousers or shorts should ensure that these are 'school style' trousers or shorts. Leggings and tracksuit bottoms should not be worn on the days children are wearing school uniform. Black tracksuit bottoms (unbranded) can be worn on PE days. Socks should be plain. Some children may need their plimsolls replaced as they have outgrown them or they have worn out, please ask your child or their teacher. Please ensure your child brings a coat each day (even if the weather looks okay when they leave home) as we try to go outside in most weathers.

Safeguarding during the Christmas holiday

A reminder that should you have any concerns about a child during the holidays then you should contact Oxfordshire MASH on 0345 050 7666 or in an emergency the Police on 999. You can also contact the NSPCC Helpline by calling 0808 800 500 or emailing help@NSPCC.org.uk or completing the online form on their website.

Diary Dates

Spring Term commences - Monday 6th January 2025 Half Term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2025 End of Term - Friday 4th April 2025

Best wishes,

Mr Cornell and the staff of Brookside



WEEK ONE 4th Nov, 25th Nov, 16th Dec, 20th Jan, 10th Feb, 10th March, 31st March, 5th May

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Margherita Pizza (Cheese & Tomato) (V, EF) Veggie Fajitas (VG) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Sweetcorn & Baked Beans Chocolate Shortbread (V, DF, EF) with Melon	Traditional Cottage Pie (GF, EF) Veggie Cottage Pie (GF, EF) Tuna & Sweetcorn Bap (EF, DF) Broccoli & Vegetable Medley Strawberry Jelly (V, GF, DF, EF) with Peaches	Roast Loin of Pork (GF, DF, EF) Vegetarian Quorn Roast (V, GF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese & Coleslaw (V, GF, EF) Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding with Gravy Savoy Cabbage & Carrots Cinnamon Cookie (V, DF, EF)	Chicken, Spinach & Tomato Pasta (EF, DF) Fruity Vegetable Curry & Rice (VG, GF) Cheddar Cheese & Lettuce Wrap (EF) Sweetcorn & Green Beans Vanilla Sponge Cake (V, DF)	Flipper Dippers (DF, EF) Veggie Sausage Roll (V, EF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Chips or Pasta Peas & Baked Beans Strawberry Ice Cream (V, GF, EF)

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Margherita Pizza (Cheese & Tomato) (V. EF) Five Bean Chilli with Rice (VG, GF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V. GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Peas & Baked Beans Lemon Drizzle Cake (V. DF)	Pork Sausages (EF) Veggie Sausage (vG) Ham Bap (v. 0F) Mashed Potatoes, Curly Cabbage & Vegetable Medley Melting Moment (V. 0F, EF) with Pineapple	Roast Chicken Breast (GF, DF, EF) Vegetarian Quom Roast (V. GF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese & Colesiaw (V. GF, EF) Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy Carrots & Cauliflower Rice Crispy Cake (V. DF, EF)	Mac 'n' Cheese (V, EF) Pizza Pinwheel & New Potatoes (V, EF) Tuna & Cucumber Bap (EF, DV) Peas & Green Beans Shortbread (V, EF, DF) with an Orange Wedge	Flipper Dippers (DF, EF) Veggie Samosa's (VG) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) of Baked Beans (VG, GF) French Fries or Pasta Baked Beans or Sweetcorn Ginger biscuit (V, EF, DF) & Raisins

WEEK THREE 18th Nov., 9th Dec, 13th Jan, 3rd Feb, 3rd March, 24th March, 28th April, 19th May

MUNDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Margherita Pizza (Cheese	Meatballs in a Rich	Roast British Gammon	Oriental Chicken	Battered Fish (DF, EF)
& Tomato) (EF, V)	Tomato Sauce (GF, DF, EF)	(GF, DF, EF)	Noodles (DF)	Crispy Quorn Dippers (VG)
Veggie Nugget Wrap	Veggie Meatballs in a	Vegetarian Quorn Roast	Rustic Tomato Pasta Bake	Oven Baked Jacket Potato
(DF, EF)	Rich Tomato Sauce (VG)	(V, GF)	(EF, DF)	with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or
Oven Baked Jacket Potato	Salmon & Cucumber	Oven Baked Jacket Potato	Cheddar Cheese &	Baked Beans (VG, GF)
with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF)	Pasta Salad (EF, DF)	with Cheese & Coleslaw (V. GF, EF)	Cucumber Bap (EF)	Chips or Pasta
	Fluffy Rice, Carrots	Yorkshire Pudding, Roast	Broccoli	Peas & Baked Beans
Sweetcorn & Baked Beans	& Peas	Potatoes & Gravy	& Sweetcorn	
Sultana & Syrup		Cauliflower & Green Beans	Chandala Canana 88	Rocket Lolly
Cookie (V, EF)	Cranberry & Oat Biscuit		Chocolate Sponge (V)	(VG, GF)
	(V, EF)	Iced Sprinkle Cake (V, DF)	with Pears	

Available daily - Natural yogurt, fresh fruit, fresh bread, salad bar and lots of fresh water!

Allergy advice - all our food is prepared in a kitchen where nuts, gluten and other ingredients are present and our menu descriptions do not include all ingredients. If you have an allergy, please let us know before ordering. Full allergen information is available from your school. Any fish we serve will vary depending on availability.

We only select fish from sustainable sources.

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Amplify their confidence!

With Rocksteady Music School, your child can learn to play an instrument in their own band with no experience necessary. Our fun, inclusive in-school band lessons tune into children's creativity, amplifying their self-belief and igniting a sense of confidence that carries far beyond the classroom!

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His progression playing the keyboard has been amazing. Neil



I had tears watching her perform. Amazing skills that will help her for the rest of her life! Amita

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