



# Right Start-Bright Future

## Newsletter

12 October 2026

**“The standard you walk past - is the standard you accept”**

**“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit!”**

Dear Families

Unfortunately, last week I failed to avoid the severe pesky bugs that are about. I was kept informed of all the goings on at Brookhurst and I did try to return on Friday, but it was just too soon and the staff sent me back home!!

### **Year 6 - Whole School Leadership Roles:**

**Head Pupils:** Arabella, Ava and Aris

**Sports Captains:** Joshua, George, Matilda and Jake

**Arts Council:** Lucas

**BRIMSTAGE:** House Captain -Scarlett, Vice Captain - Ben

**DIBBENSDALE:** House Captain - Frankie, Vice Captain - Eliza

**EASTHAM:** House Captain - Oliver, Vice Captain - Lily

**PORT SUNLIGHT:** House Captain – Austin, Vice Captain - Evie

Pupil Parliament elections will take place this week for Year 3 – Year 6.

**“World Mental Health Day - Friday 9 October –**Thank you for supporting this event. This year we raised **£240.99- BRILLIANT !** This means that over the last two years we have raised a fantastic **£639.46 for YOUNG MINDS.** A fantastic and vital use of funds in supporting the future work of Young Minds.

**School Attendance Matters-**We aim for 100%, our target is 98%.

Little Oaks Family = 95.9%, F2 Family = 91.7%, Year 1 Family = 96%, Year 2 Family = 96.7%, Year 3 Family = 99.6%, Year 4 Family = 99.3%, Year 5 Family = 98.1% , **Year 6 Family = 100%.** **Overall school attendance = 97.3%. Well done to Years 3, 4, 5 and 6!! Key Stage 2 are all 98%+**

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## 'Magic Moments'

**Little Oaks Family-** Little Oaks have loved the Nursery Rhyme 'Humpty Dumpty' this week. We have been building walls that are stable and strong and testing them out by sitting on them ourselves. The best bit was falling off them! On Friday we thought Mrs H Williams had gone a little bit silly when she dropped a real egg on the floor and it smashed to pieces. Little Oaks were then challenged to make a protective nest for the remainder of our real eggs - we had to test out which materials worked best. 2 of the 4 eggs were still intact by lunchtime!

**F2 Family-** We have had a great week in F2 exploring how we can work with our friends to create new colours. A particular highlight was using different primary colours to make handprints and then soft high 5s to mix their colours to make a new colour handprint. We loved having parents in for our reading session on Thursday too!

**Year 1 Family-** Our Magic Moment in Year 1 was getting to wear something that makes us happy! We have all enjoyed wearing something yellow or the outfits that make us happy, everyone looked amazing. As part of our Mental Health Day. We have enjoyed getting an afternoon of playing in provision!

**Year 2 Family** - This week, we discovered who Christopher Wren was and explored his plans for rebuilding London after the Great Fire. We thought carefully about which materials would be safest to use and discussed how changes to the buildings and streets could help protect people from future fires. It was fantastic to hear the children explain their ideas and make links between the Great Fire and the safer London that was rebuilt afterwards.

**Year 3 Family** – What a wonderful week of learning we have had in the Year 3 family. In History, we have been learning all about Stonehenge and discovering why this famous prehistoric monument is so special. The children enjoyed the challenge of building their own versions of Stonehenge using smaller wooden blocks, carefully thinking about how the stones might have been arranged and balanced.

In Science, we investigated a range of materials to discover which were magnetic and which were not. The children made predictions, tested different objects and recorded their findings. There were some surprising results along the way, which encouraged us to ask questions and think carefully about what we had discovered!

**Year 4 Family** – This week, the Year 4 family have been working on rounding to 10, 100 and 1000. Using the rhyme '1 to 4 down to the floor, 5 to 9 up to the sky', we've been able to follow steps and complete tricky questions. We also enjoyed a fantastic PSHE lesson linking to our project where we created a mini-democracy in our classroom by working in teams to create a new playground. We then presented our ideas to the class along with reasons why we should be voted for. Finally, we voted and counted to see the winning team! Finally, today, we marked World Mental Health Day by wearing something that makes us HAPPY!

**Year 5 Family-** This week Year 5 have been working hard on their writing, carefully selecting characters and vocabulary to create a story based upon Great and the Giants. The children will bring home a copy of this writing next week to share with you. We have also been researching Greta Thunberg this week, ready to create an autobiography about her remarkable life. The highlight of this week has to be the URENCO workshop we had chance to take part in! It was fantastic, hands-on and we all had lots of fun! We recognised World Mental Health Day and there were many smiles!

**Year 6 Family** – This week, Year 6 have been working on their team work and problem-solving team throughout our P.E. sessions. It has been brilliant watching the children grapple with puzzles and problems while developing their communication and management skills. Year 6's first P.E. Session was based around working in large groups to solve a range of puzzles including raising a hoop off the floor using only the group's feet; transporting a ball around the school hall using hockey sticks to hold the ball in the air and transporting members of each group over an imaginary river using a limited number of imaginary life jackets. Later in the



week, Year 6 worked in pairs to complete a map reading challenge in our second P.E. Lesson. The children had to use their map to traverse the hall while reading number clues on a selection of cones. Each pair then used the cones to solve long number sentences.

**Sporting Achievement:** Once again, our Year 6 football team played superbly as they represented Brookhurst in the Tranmere Rovers Utilitia Cup. They finished top of their group by winning three matches and drawing the other. This was a tremendous achievement. Unfortunately, the Final clashes with their residential visit to North Wales.

Kind regards

*S. Williams*

Steve Williams

**AND FINALLY..... THIS WEEK.....**

### **‘Reading is Our Rocket Fuel’**



After School until 3:40pm- Under the canopy by the school hall, Monday – Friday.

Our Reading Ambassadors have created a literature focus on Black History Month – ‘Discover Amazing Stories’ in our school Library.



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