

Brunswick Park Primary School

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November's Focus Value is **RESPONSIBILITY**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the first newsletter of the second half of the Autumn Term, and the first since Lockdown 2 began on Thursday 5 November. As schools are remaining open throughout it has made no difference to children's learning in classrooms, but to begin with it did affect our after-school activities, as the government's guidance prohibited them during lockdown unless they were for childcare. So we moved all football and gymnastics to lunchtimes and carried on; I am determined that COVID-19 restrictions cause as little disruption to children as possible. Thankfully, the government has seen the poor sense of this guidance - why is it OK for children to stay after school for childcare but not for a club or activity? - and allowed after school clubs once again, so from today all of Andrew and his coaches' activities move back to their original times.

The children had only been back in school on Monday 2 November for 2 hours before Ofsted phoned to announce a short visit under Section 8 of the School Inspection Framework to find out how Brunswick had responded to COVID-19. You may have heard about these visits on the News: 1200 schools across the country - primary, secondary and special - have been selected to provide information for government policy makers about what has gone well and what could be done better. They have visited about 900 so far, and Brunswick was one. I and the other Senior Leaders spent 5 hours on 3 November on Microsoft Teams answering questions from senior inspectors called HMI (Her Majesty's Inspectors) about the school's context and how COVID-19 has affected the children's behaviour, children and staff attendance, the school curriculum and how we will ensure children catch up on lost learning and our offer of remote and blended learning for use if children or staff have to isolate. These special visits are not inspections: they are conducted to find information, not to judge how well a school is doing. Therefore, the Inspectors' letter that will come out later this week will not say what Brunswick has done well, though anecdotally they told us that much of what had been done was 'inspiring', but will describe some broad themes in basic detail and thank the school for its help, which we were very happy to give. Anything that can be used to improve the situation in the future deserves sharing.

Some more important news to share:

1. This week is ANTI-BULLYING WEEK;
2. Individual photographs FOR ALL Year Groups will be taken on FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER;
3. Mrs Hales is making great plans so end of term shows/productions/events can still go ahead. We will keep you posted.

And finally, thank you for your participation in our first Zoom Parents' Evening. It went really well for those who attended and we've learned a lot to make it even better for next time. We need your feedback on this and on the other ways the school communicates with you. Please look out for a quick online survey to complete to help us do our best to support you and your families.

With best wishes for a safe and healthy fortnight ahead.

Susannah Bellingham

Head Teacher



Reminders

Face Coverings

Staff at the school gates wear face coverings at the beginning and end of the day as they come into contact with lots of adults.

Parents and Carers do not need to wear face coverings on the playground; they must wear them inside the school building.

New Lunch Menu

The hot lunch menu changed on 2 November to match Southwark's new dessert policy (more fruit/less sugar and fat) and to introduce more dishes we know are popular with the children. Please talk about it with your child so they are prepared to make the choice they want. It's on the next page.

Reception Transfer 2020

If your child will turn 4 before 31 August 2020,

you need to apply for a place in Reception by 15 January 2021.

- Visit the schools you wish to apply for.
- Complete the online application form.
- You need to do this even if you have a child who comes to our Nursery.
- If you need help with the application form, please speak to Anna in the Nursery.
- If your child has an EHCP and you are interested in a place in the Resource Base, please speak to Susanna Renwick, our SENDCo.

If you have any questions, speak to Anna or any member of the EYFS team.

Lunch Menu Winter 2020 Spring 2021

WEEK COMMENCING: 02 Nov / 23 Nov / 14 Dec / 04 Jan / 25 Jan / 08 Mar / 29 Mar

MONDAY

Il Pollo Pasta 
 Mozzarella & Tomato Puff 
 Squares with Boiled Potatoes
 Jacket Potato 
 with Spinach & Lentil Dhal
 Sweetcorn & Broccoli
 Peaches with Ice Cream
 & Fruit Melba Sauce

TUESDAY

Lamb Hotpot 
 with Garlic Bread
 Roast Vegetable Calzone 
 Jacket Potato 
 with Coleslaw
 Peas & Cauliflower
 Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken Breast 
 with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
 Cheese & Tomato 
 Pasta Bake
 Jacket Potato 
 with Tuna Mayonnaise
 Carrots & Green Beans
 Oaty Apple & Berry Crumble
 with Custard

THURSDAY

Meat Feast Pizza 
 Margherita Pizza 
 Jacket Potato 
 with Vegetable Chili
 Roasted Mediterranean
 Vegetables & Sweetcorn
 Cheese & Crackers

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers & Chips 
 Spicy Bean Burger 
 in a Bun with Chips
 Jacket Potato 
 with BBQ Baked Beans
 Peas & Baked Beans
 Fresh Fruit Salad
 with Natural Yoghurt

KEY



Vegetarian



Plant Based
Vegan Friendly



Halal Option
Available



MSC Fish

WEEK 1

WEEK COMMENCING: 09 Nov / 30 Nov / 11 Jan / 01 Feb / 22 Feb / 15 Mar

MONDAY

Honey & Ginger Vegetable 
 Strips Stir Fry with Noodles
 Quorn Patella 
 Jacket Potato 
 with Ratatouille
 Carrots & Vegetable Medley
 Fresh Fruit Salad
 with Natural Yoghurt

TUESDAY

Kheema Lamb Curry 
 with Rice
 Vegetable Lasagne 
 Jacket Potato 
 with Tuna Mayonnaise
 Green Beans & Cauliflower
 Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

Roast Garlic & Lemon Chicken 
 with Gravy & Roast Potatoes
 Goan Vegetable Curry 
 with Rice
 Cheese & Leek 
 Potato Boats
 Carrots & Green Cabbage
 Pear & Mixed Berry Pie
 with Vanilla Ice Cream

THURSDAY

Thai Red Chicken 
 Curry with Rice
 Roasted Vegetable Pizza 
 Jacket Potato with Vegetable 
 & Chickpea Balti
 Sweetcorn & Broccoli
 Cheese & Crackers

FRIDAY

Battered Pollock & Chips 
 with Tartare Sauce
 Quorn Frankfurter 
 Hot Dog with Chips
 Jacket Potato 
 with Baked Beans
 Peas & Baked Beans
 Fresh Fruit Salad
 with Natural Yoghurt

WEEK 2

WEEK COMMENCING: 16 Nov / 07 Dec / 18 Jan / 08 Feb / 01 Mar / 22 Mar

MONDAY

Lamb Spaghetti Bolognese 
 Jacket Potato 
 with Coleslaw
 Butterbean & Vegetable 
 Tagine with Couscous
 Carrots & Green Beans
 Peach Fool

TUESDAY

Chicken Sausage 
 with Mashed Potato & Gravy
 Quorn Sausage 
 with Mashed Potato & Gravy
 Jacket Potato with Vegetable 
 & Lentil Bolognese
 Green Cabbage & Cauliflower
 Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

Roast Turkey with Gravy 
 & Roast Potatoes
 Macaroni Cheese 
 Jacket Potato with Butternut 
 & Vegetable Curry
 Carrots & Broccoli
 Apple & Banana Cake
 with Custard

THURSDAY

Jerk Chicken & Rice Burrito 
 Red Onion 
 & Sweetcorn Pizza
 Jacket Potato 
 with Vegetable Bean Chili
 Sweetcorn & Roasted
 Mediterranean Vegetables
 Cheese & Crackers

FRIDAY

Breaded Pollock 
 & Chips
 Cheese & Broccoli Quiche 
 with Chips
 Jacket Potato 
 with Salmon Mayonnaise
 Peas & Baked Beans
 Fresh Fruit Salad
 with Natural Yoghurt

WEEK 3

What happens at lunchtime?

In Southwark, the Council pays for all children's lunches until they leave primary school.

Because of COVID-19 restrictions, we have to limit numbers in the Dining Hall.

So, most children have a hot lunch and a packed lunch on alternate weeks, all provided by the School Kitchen.

This week, Years 2, 4 and 6 will eat a hot lunch in the Dining Hall, and Years 1, 3 and 5 will eat a packed lunch in their classrooms.

The week after it will swap over:

Years 1, 3 and 5 will eat a hot lunch in the Dining Hall and Years 2, 4 and 6 will eat a packed lunch in their classrooms.

Children in Reception always have a hot lunch in the Dining Hall.

What do I do if my child is ill?

Government Guidance states:

'If anyone in school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and be advised to follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.'

This sets out that they must:

- self-isolate for at least 10 days*
- arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)*

If your child becomes unwell at home with any of these symptoms, you must inform the School Office then follow the guidance:

self-isolate and get a test.

If the test results are negative and your child is well, s/he should return to school.

If they are positive you must inform the School Office immediately so the Local Health Protection Team can take appropriate action.



To try to make understanding its guidance easier, the Government has introduced HANDS FACE SPACE.

At school, primary-aged children do HANDS with extra washing and sanitiser, and FACE and SPACE by being kept in consistent groups and, if age-appropriate, facing forwards in class.

Parents, carers and visitors need to do all 3:

Regular handwashing/sanitising;

Wearing a face covering inside the school building;

Maintaining social distance inside the school building and on the school premises including Bantry and Picton Street.

ONE ADULT PER FAMILY IS PERMITTED TO COME INTO THE PLAYGROUND TO DROP OFF AND COLLECT. PLEASE KEEP YOUR DISTANCE FROM OTHERS.



Rose VOUCHERS for **fruit & veg**



Would you like to buy more fruit and vegetables?

The Rose Vouchers for Fruit & Veg Project helps families on low incomes to buy fresh fruit and vegetables, and supports them to give their children the healthiest possible start.

The scheme will:

- Give you vouchers to use at East Street Market and some stalls in Peckham to buy fresh fruit and vegetables.
- Get you more involved with your local Children's Centre.
- Make it easier for you to meet other local families and parents.
- Tell you about what's happening locally to support healthier, happier families.



Who is it for?

The project is for pregnant women and families with young children* who live in either **SE1, SE5 or SE17** and:

- Already receive Healthy Start vouchers or
- Are on a low income or
- Are refugees and asylum seekers (NRPF)



** You must be at least 10 weeks pregnant, or have a child under 5 who is not yet in Reception at school.*

How does it work?

- Once registered with the scheme, you will receive four £1 Rose Vouchers per week for every eligible child until they start in Reception, and 6 vouchers for 0-1 year olds. You also receive 4 Rose Vouchers for each sibling at primary school, as long as there is a child not yet in Reception class who is eligible.
- You may use these vouchers at stalls in East Street Market or Peckham who have a 'Rose Vouchers for Fruit & Veg' banner.



To find out whether you can receive vouchers and how to register, please phone 020 7740 8070 or email: childrenscentre@1stplace.uk.com



ROYAL ACADEMY OF DANCE



Join the Royal Academy of Dance for its
Nutcracker Children's Repertoire Workshop
on 19 December

at its Battersea Headquarters in London.

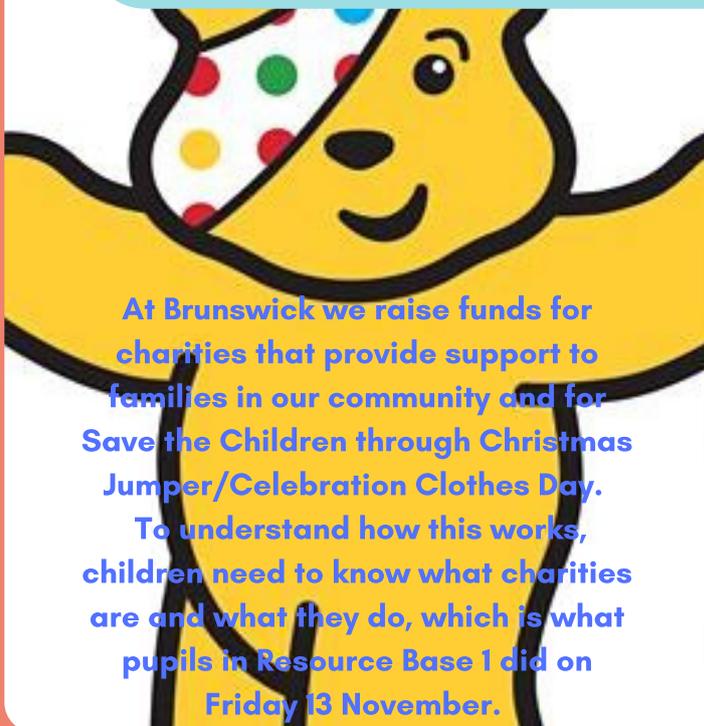
Suitable for young dancers from beginners up to Grade 4,
they will discover the world of classical ballet through
dance, music and mime this Christmas.

The workshop is split into six groups depending on age
and experience, and taught by professional artists with
live piano accompaniment.

Book by 23 November: <https://bit.ly/3e382ne>

Black History Month - Year 2

In their learning for Black History Month, Year 2 pupils studied the inspirational Maggie Aderin-Pocock who is a space scientist. They learned about her life, her struggle with dyslexia and finally her many achievements. They created a timeline of her life, investigated the strengths of dyslexia and finally wrote a report about her. In Art, they used paint to create images of the night sky and the universe. They also made models of the planets using paper mache. Here is their wonderful work on display:

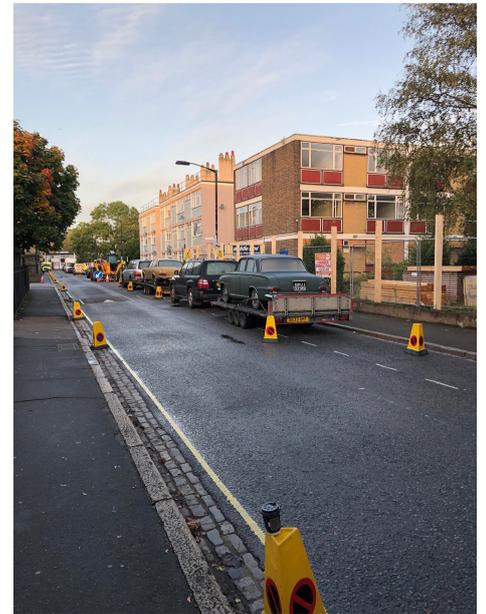


At Brunswick we raise funds for charities that provide support to families in our community and for Save the Children through Christmas Jumper/Celebration Clothes Day.

To understand how this works, children need to know what charities are and what they do, which is what pupils in Resource Base 1 did on Friday 13 November.



Remember this?



October 2019, before masks and quarantine, when Brunswick and Picton Street were transformed into Brixton's riots of 1981 for Season 4 of The Crown. It's out now on Netflix; great lockdown entertainment!



Term Dates 2020/2021

Autumn Term

HALF TERM 1: Wednesday 2 September 2020 to Friday 23 October 2020

INSET DAYS WEDNESDAY 2, THURSDAY 3 AND FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER – CHILDREN RETURN ON MONDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 26 October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

HALF TERM 2: Monday 2 November 2020 to Friday 18 December 2020

Spring Term

HALF TERM 3: Monday 4 January 2021 to Friday 12 February 2021

INSET DAY MONDAY 4 JANUARY – CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 5 JANUARY

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 19 February 2021

HALF TERM 4: Monday 22 February 2021 to Wednesday 31 March 2021

Summer Term

HALF TERM 5: Monday 19 April 2021 to Friday 28 May 2021

(May Day bank holiday will be taken on 3 May)

INSET DAY ON MONDAY 19 APRIL – CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 20 APRIL

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

HALF TERM 6: Monday 7 June 2021 to Friday 23 July 2021

Children finish at 2.00pm on 18 December 2020, 31 March 2021 and 23 July 2021



Reminders to all Parents and Carers

Correct School Uniform:

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform. All children must wear black shoes, black or grey school trousers or skirts and socks and Hijabs should be plain white, black or grey. Grey or black shorts or purple checked summer dresses can be worn in warm weather.

Punctuality:

Please ensure your child arrives to school on time every day; arriving late is embarrassing and missed learning time affects achievement and stops your child from reaching his or her potential.

Parking:

Picton Street is now closed to traffic from 08:30 - 09:15 and 15:00 - 16:00. If you arrive by car please factor this in, as you will need to park elsewhere and walk into Picton Street.

Safeguarding Information

The designated team for Safeguarding at Brunswick Park Primary is

Susannah Bellingham
Andrea Inniss-Griffith and
Thomas Moudiotis.

If you have any concerns about any child, please contact us.

We are committed to Safeguarding all children and members of our school community and take all concerns seriously.

For your information, key school policies are available on request from the School Office and can be downloaded from the school Website under the 'Our School' tab.

Please check the website for further details about what children have been doing and learning in school.

Missed a newsletter? All newsletters are available for download from the School Website under the 'News' tab.

<http://www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk>

Please look at our website www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk for links to useful activities and information and our updated Safeguarding Policy in light of the Coronavirus Restrictions.

School attendance is now mandatory once again.

If your child is absent from school we will continue making first day absence calls. Home Learning will only be offered to children who cannot attend school for clinical or public health reasons. If you choose not to send your child to school we will happily discuss this with you, but please be aware that non-attendance may result in further action in line with our Whole School Attendance Policy.

Right to Reply:

16/11/20: Please email the address below to give us constructive suggestions or comments, including your name and your child's class.

Thank you.

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