

# Brunswick Park Primary School

## e-Newsletter



Friday 24 September 2021

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**Brunswick Park**  
Primary School

[www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk](http://www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk)

September's Focus Value is **RESPECT**

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have been back at school now for 17 days, and the atmosphere is happy and purposeful. Reception children are playing hard and managing full days and lunch with ease, Year 1 children have been searching for the Naughty Bus, that has wreaked havoc in all sorts of places, including my office – I was naturally appalled – Year 2 has boarded the train to Kent to explore the village of Eynsford, Year 4 and Resource Base have started swimming and Year 6 shared their learning so far this term with their families this morning. And everyone is playing at lunchtime with new playground equipment.

This letter is about partnership, and the support we need from you so your child can get the most from the opportunities provided at school.

First, we need you to make sure your child arrives on time for school every day. We have returned to welcoming all children on site from 08:45 with the expectation that they will be in their classrooms or with their teachers by 08:55.

Coronavirus flexibility has finished. If you arrive after the bell is rung at 08:55, your child is late. Brunswick is a big site and the children need at least 5 minutes to get to their classrooms, hang up their coats and get organised for learning that starts at 09:00. Being late is disruptive and affects everyone: the children who have arrived on time have to pause their learning whilst the late children come in, and the children who are late feel embarrassed because the teacher has to stop. Children need to be taught that being on time is polite and respectful. From Monday, all gates will be shut at 09:00 and the only access to the school will be via the buzzer on the Main Gate, where you will be directed to the School Office where your child will be marked late. Warm thanks as always to the vast majority of parents and carers who support us by ensuring their children's school days start punctually, with the understanding that punctuality is a lifelong skill. The secondary schools are draconian about punctuality. Support your children to form good habits now.

We also need you to encourage your child to make good eye contact with you when you are speaking with each other, and to speak to you in full sentences. We all need to build our children's cultural capital to give them the best life chances possible. Children who talk politely, with confidence, are more likely to be listened to. When we wish them 'Good morning', encourage them to return it whilst making eye contact with us for the duration of the conversation. They will then feel listened to, and empowered. Empowering children builds their esteem. Children with higher self-esteem are more resilient, and resilience enables children to learn from mistakes rather than be crushed by them. As Thomas Edison said, *'Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.'*

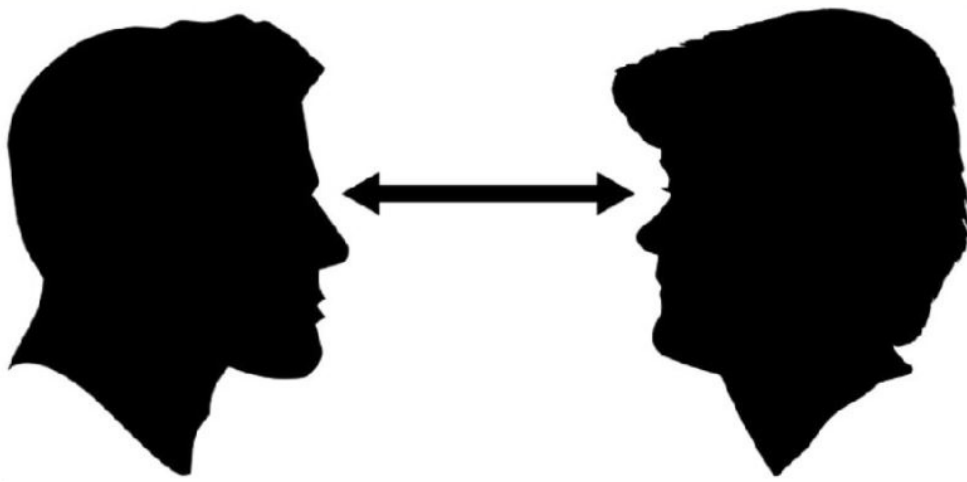
Finally – follow us on Twitter [@BrunswickParkPS](https://twitter.com/BrunswickParkPS). It's a great way to find out quickly what your children have been learning at school and information about what goes on here. And you can retweet us! Spread the word; if you trust us to care and nurture your children, everyone else needs to know why.

With best wishes for a safe and healthy fortnight ahead.

Susannah Bellingham

Head Teacher





Encourage your child to make and maintain eye contact with the other person when speaking; they may find this uncomfortable at first, but persevere and give them praise when they do



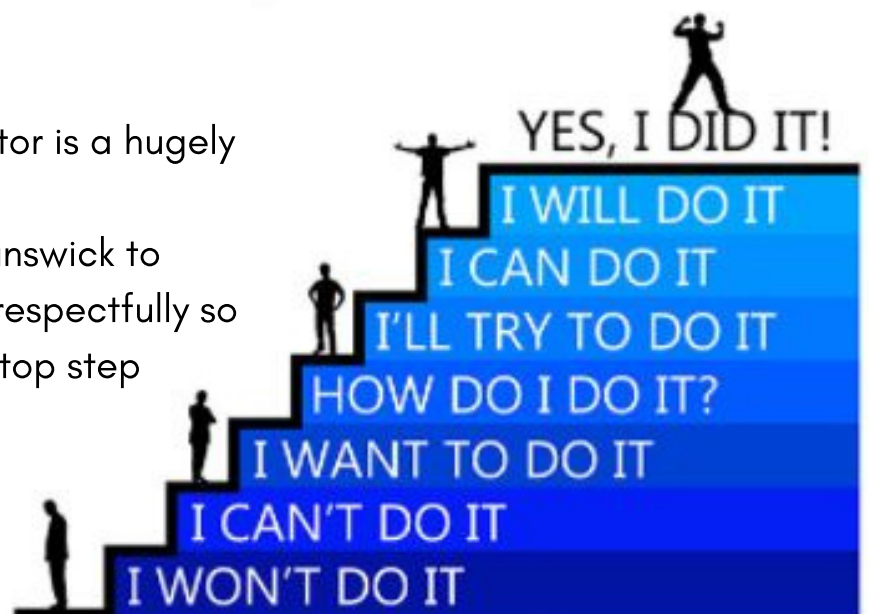
Encourage your child to answer questions in full sentences and to make 2-way conversations where possible



Praise your child when they talk to people with confidence to develop their self-esteem and belief in the power of effective communication

Being an effective communicator is a hugely powerful life skill.

We want every child at Brunswick to communicate confidently and respectfully so they feel they are on the top step





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**Year 6**  
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Starts again on

**Wednesday 29 October at 08:40**

on the Key Stage 2 Playground!

All are welcome to jog/walk briskly for a mile before learning starts – parents and carers come and join your children – it's fun!

**Please check your emails and your children's bags  
for information about:**

**Twitter**

**Home Learning**

**Reading**

**Swimming in Year 4 and Resource Base**



Parents and carers often approach staff at Brunswick to countersign passports, provide information for Home Office Documents and references for applications for British Citizenship. Whilst we are happy to support you with these, they are not school business and take up precious time.

**To acknowledge this, the Governing Body has approved the introduction of a nominal £5 charge for the completion of all such documentation.**

Funds raised will be spent on the children.

# Southwark Foodbank's Funds and Food 2021 Harvest Festival Appeal

Southwark Foodbank would like to thank all the staff, parents, and children for your support over the years. COVID-19 has seen the demand for our service increase considerably. During COVID-19, the foodbank received daily referrals from several schools who had identified families in need of food support. Over the course of the last year, Southwark Foodbank fed 7,091 children.

At the beginning of the lockdown, the government introduced a £20 weekly increase to those claiming Universal Credit. This increase is due to be cut at the end of September 2021. As a result, the foodbank will see an increase in uptake for our services.

## We would like to invite you to take part in our 2021 Funds and Food Harvest appeal.

Brunswick can help to support the foodbank this Harvest by making an online donation or donating a food item from the poster.

Here is the link to our campaign page:

<https://pecan.enthuse.com/cf/southwark-foodbank-harvest-2021---funds-for-food>

Donating funds will enable us to purchase items we are most in need of to provide food parcels with all the essentials for a nutritionally balanced diet. Funds will also help to meet the cost of vehicle hire to distribute food to our centres.

The poster features a blue header with the text 'HARVEST APPEAL' in white and the Trussell Trust logo on the right. Below this is a green section with the text 'HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOODBANK WITH FOOD AND FUNDS THIS HARVEST'. The main body is divided into two columns. The left column has a green background with the heading 'DONATE FOOD' and text 'Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure we can provide food to help people in crisis.' Below this is an image of various food items. The right column has a white background with the heading 'SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS' and a list of items: Toothpaste, Shower Gel, Fruit Juice (orange/apple), UHT Milk (full cream), Tinned Meat Soup, Scotch broth, Tinned Ratatouille, Tinned fruit, Vegetarian curry/chilli, and Chocolate bars/treats. Below the list is a handwritten-style note: 'Don't forget... You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too.' At the bottom, there is a blue footer with the Southwark Foodbank logo, the website 'southwark.foodbank.org.uk', and the text 'Registered Charity in England & Wales (801819)'. The entire poster is framed by a decorative border of golden wheat stalks.

## HARVEST APPEAL

the trussell trust  
Stop UK Hunger

### HELP SUPPORT YOUR FOODBANK WITH FOOD AND FUNDS THIS HARVEST

#### DONATE FOOD

Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to ensure we can provide food to help people in crisis.



#### DONATE MONEY

Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.



#### SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS

- Toothpaste
- Shower Gel
- Fruit Juice (orange/apple)
- UHT Milk (full cream)
- Tinned Meat Soup
- Scotch broth
- Tinned Ratatouille
- Tinned fruit
- Vegetarian curry/chilli
- Chocolate bars/treats

Don't forget...  
You can help transform more lives with a financial donation too.

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**Items from the list can be left in the donations box in the School Office Reception**

Today in Science, 2A explored our school playground to find objects that belonged to the living, once lived and non-living categories. We then discussed how each object fit into each category and sorted them accordingly. We also discussed the difference between each category- breathing, eating, growing and movement.



Let's try sort these pictures into the correct category.

**Challenge:** think about why each picture belongs to each category.

Living



Once Lived



Non-living



### TRIPS ARE BACK! YAY!

On Tuesday 21 September, the Year 2 children visited Eynsford Village in Kent.

The purpose of this trip was to compare a village location to Camberwell. The children did lots of walking on the day and asked for their lunch several times, but it was worth it, as a great time was had by all. The children were a credit to Brunswick and the sun shone for us.

Thank you to all the parents and staff that accompanied us on the day to make the trip such a success. Here are just a few of the photos:

Leah Philips and Joya Roychoudhury (Year 2 Teachers)



# Parents/carers of children in Year 6: choosing a secondary school for September 2022

The time has come for you to research secondary schools for your Year 6 child to select up to 6 preferences.

**Secondary schools are starting to hold their Open Days for parents/carers now.**

Please use the list below to visit individual school's websites for details of their Open Day dates and times.

It is very important you do this before making your application by the end of October.

You will receive a separate letter about the application process.

## Southwark Secondary Schools

Ark All Saints Academy

Ark Globe Academy

Ark Walworth Academy

Bacon's College

Compass School Southwark

Harris Academy (Bermondsey)

Harris Academy (Peckham)

Harris Boys' Academy (East Dulwich)

Harris Girls' Academy (East Dulwich)

Kingsdale Foundation School

Notre Dame RC Girls' School

Sacred Heart RC School

South Bank University Academy

St Michael's Catholic College

St Saviour's and St Olave's School

St Thomas the Apostle College

The Charter School (North Dulwich)

The Charter School (East Dulwich)

The City of London Academy (Southwark)

## Lambeth Secondary Schools close by

Saint Gabriel's College

Archbishop Tenison's School

The London Nautical School

## Southwark Secondary Specialist Provision

*(for children with EHCPs for whom the need for*

*Secondary Specialist Provision is identified at their Year 5 Annual Review)*

**urgent!!!**

Highshore School  
Spa School  
Spa School Camberwell  
Tuke School

**urgent!!!**

# School Times from September 2021

**All children need to be at school by 08:55,  
when the bell is rung.**

<b>Reception</b>		
Gates open	08:45	Key Stage 1 Gate and Black Fire Gates
Learning starts	09:00	
School finishes	15:30	Collect from the Reception Outdoor Area and outside Reception B Classroom
<b>Year 1</b>		
Gates open	08:45	Key Stage 1 Gate
Learning starts	09:00	
School finishes	15:30	Collect from outside the Year 1 classrooms
<b>Year 2</b>		
Gates open	08:45	Teachers will collect children from the Key Stage 1 Playground Race Track at 08:55
Learning starts	09:00	
School finishes	15:30	Collect from the Key Stage 1 Playground Race Track
<b>Years 3 and 4</b>		
Gates open	08:45	Main Gate. Year 3 children go straight up to class using the right-side stairs. Year 4 children go straight up to class using the left side stairs.
Learning starts	09:00	
School finishes	15:30	Collect from the Key Stage 2 Playground. The children will be in lines with their teachers.
<b>Years 5 and 6</b>		
Gates open	08:45	Black Fire Gates. Children go straight up to class using the entrance by the School Office.
Learning starts	09:00	
School finishes	15:30	Collect from the Key Stage 2 Playground. The children will be in lines with their teachers.
Nursery arrangements are shared directly with parents as they are specific to the children.		

Children aged 11 and under have never been required to wear face coverings at any time.

## **Face coverings for adults are now optional.**

Please continue to provide your child with a daily bottle of plain water. Hand sanitiser is offered on request and in wall dispensers at the school gates, and is available in all classrooms.

Children continue to wash their hands regularly.

The school is kept as well ventilated as possible whilst maintaining a comfortable temperature.



# Classes and Teachers 2021-22

## EYFS

Nursery: Mr Joshua Bowdery  
RA: Ms Nicola McMenamin  
RB: Ms Sarah Witowski-Baker

## Key Stage 1

1A: Miss Hanna Bremner Tattersall  
1B: Ms Chantelle Hughes  
2A: Mrs Joya Roychoudhury  
2B: Ms Leah Phillips

## Lower Key Stage 2

3A: Mrs Edel Fallon  
3B: Ms Christina Huszar  
4A: Ms Evie McDonnell  
4B: Ms Shalwa Nantume

## Upper Key Stage 2

5A: Miss Nicola Scott  
5B: Mrs Beverley Russell-Burke  
6A: Ms Tobi Akinlade  
6B: Ms Dina Achilleos

## SEND

Resource Base: Ms Caroline Champion and  
Mr Jonathan McElvanna

## Specialist Teachers:

Music: Mrs Paula Hales is on maternity leave.  
Mr Dave Fudge and Mr Darren Mason  
will teach music until she returns in 2022.  
PE: Mr Andrew Payne and his coaching team

# Term Dates 2021/2022

## Autumn Term

**HALF TERM 1:** Wednesday 1 September 2021 to Friday 22 October 2021

**INSET DAY ON WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER - CHILDREN RETURN ON THURSDAY 2 SEPTEMBER**

**HALF TERM BREAK:** Monday 25 October 2021 to Friday 29 October 2021

**HALF TERM 2:** Monday 1 November 2021 to Friday 17 December 2021

## Spring Term

**HALF TERM 3:** Tuesday 4 January 2022 to Friday 11 February 2022

**INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 4 JANUARY - CHILDREN RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 5 JANUARY**

**HALF TERM BREAK:** Monday 14 February 2022 to Friday 18 February 2022

**HALF TERM 4:** Monday 21 February 2022 to Friday 1 April 2022

## Summer Term

**HALF TERM 5:** Tuesday 19 April 2022 to Friday 27 May 2022

**INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 19 APRIL - CHILDREN RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL**

(May Day bank holiday will be taken on 2 May)

**HALF TERM BREAK:** Monday 30 May 2022 to Friday 3 June 2022

**HALF TERM 6:** Monday 6 June 2022 to Friday 22 July 2022

**INSET DAYS ON THURSDAY 21 AND FRIDAY 22 JULY - LAST DAY IN SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN IN WEDNESDAY 20 JULY 2022**

**Children finish at 2.00pm on 17 December 2021, 1 April 2022 and 20 July 2022**

## 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 or plain black trainers, 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  
Caroline Campion 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](http://www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk) for links to useful activities and information and our updated Safeguarding Policy in light of Coronavirus protocol.

### School attendance is mandatory.

If your child is absent from school we make first day absence calls/messages. Home Learning is 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:

24/9/21: Please email the address below to give us constructive suggestions or comments, including your name and your child's class.  
Thank you.

[office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk)