

Brunswick Park Primary School

e-Newsletter

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Friday 7 October 2022

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Primary School

www.brunswickparkprimary.co.uk

October's Focus Value is **EMPATHY**

Dear Parents and Carers

Yesterday Brunswick hosted Team GB athlete Frederick Afrifa, who did circuits with the children from Reception to Year 6, then shared his experience of becoming an athlete, which started with a race at school during which he fell flat on his face. As everyone ran past him he decided to pick himself up and carry on, and came second. His teacher was impressed by his resilience and speed, thought he might have the makings of an athlete and put him in touch with his first coach. His belief in doing the next right thing at a pace he could manage resulted in great success on the track, but not when he appeared on Ninja Warrior and was eliminated. He told the children that he learned from the experience, would practise harder and would do it again. Knowing that everyone has to try, regardless of their gifts and talents, is valuable, and Fred's honesty, humour and positivity resonated with the children, who really enjoyed asking him questions (his idol, and until recently his rival, is Usain Bolt).

There is now one week for the children to return their sponsorship money, either through an online fundraising page or in cash to the School Office, for the following incentives:

- £5.00 to £14.99:** A blue commemorative wristband
- £15.00 to £29.99:** A red wristband showing Frederick's autograph and a blue wristband
- £30.00+** An autographed poster, a red wristband showing Frederick's autograph and a blue wristband



The money raised will be used to provide more PE and play equipment for the children to encourage greater physical activity to support learning, improve retention and promote enjoyment.

Please ensure sponsorship money raised online is gathered before Thursday 13 October, and that cash sponsorship is returned by the same date to the School Office in an envelop marked with your child's name and class. Sports for Schools will process the funds then send the incentives.

October is Black History Month, and in this Newsletter there are details of how we will celebrate it at Brunswick Park, starting next week, and of a visit from author Banji Alexander. Busy times, and lots to look forward to.

With best wishes for a peaceful and enjoyable fortnight ahead.

Susannah Bellingham
Head Teacher



TEAM GB ATHLETE VISIT 6 OCTOBER: INSPIRING CHILDREN TO BE ACTIVE

Frederick Afrifa



Yesterday, sprinter Fred Afrifa visited us, with Anna from Sports for Schools, to take us through our paces doing circuits:



We had fun

We tried our best



And they were tiring!



We all enjoyed our visit from athlete Fred (Frederick Afrifa). He is an International Sprinter and a two time national gold medallist. He grew up nearby in Lambeth, and was London Schools Champion in 2011, World Youth Relay Champion in 2013, Surrey County Champion 2015 and National Champion 2018.

His dream is to one day represent his country at the Olympics. He shared times of success and of when events didn't go to plan, including his time on Ninja Warrior when he fell into the pool!

(Footage available on YouTube.)

He wants to practise harder, go back and do better.

Fred explained the importance of having a dream, and no matter what happens it is vital you '**keep moving forwards**'. We all achieve at different rates, and as long as we keep going - moving forward - we will get there.

His motto can be used for all our learning, not just for sports.



KEEP MOVING FORWARDS

You can sponsor your child by using the sponsorship form sent home two weeks ago, or by visiting:

<https://sportal.sportsforschools.org/events/landing>

and clicking on the button Set up a Fundraiser Page.

Please ensure that sponsorship forms and money raised are returned to the School Office by 13 October 2022

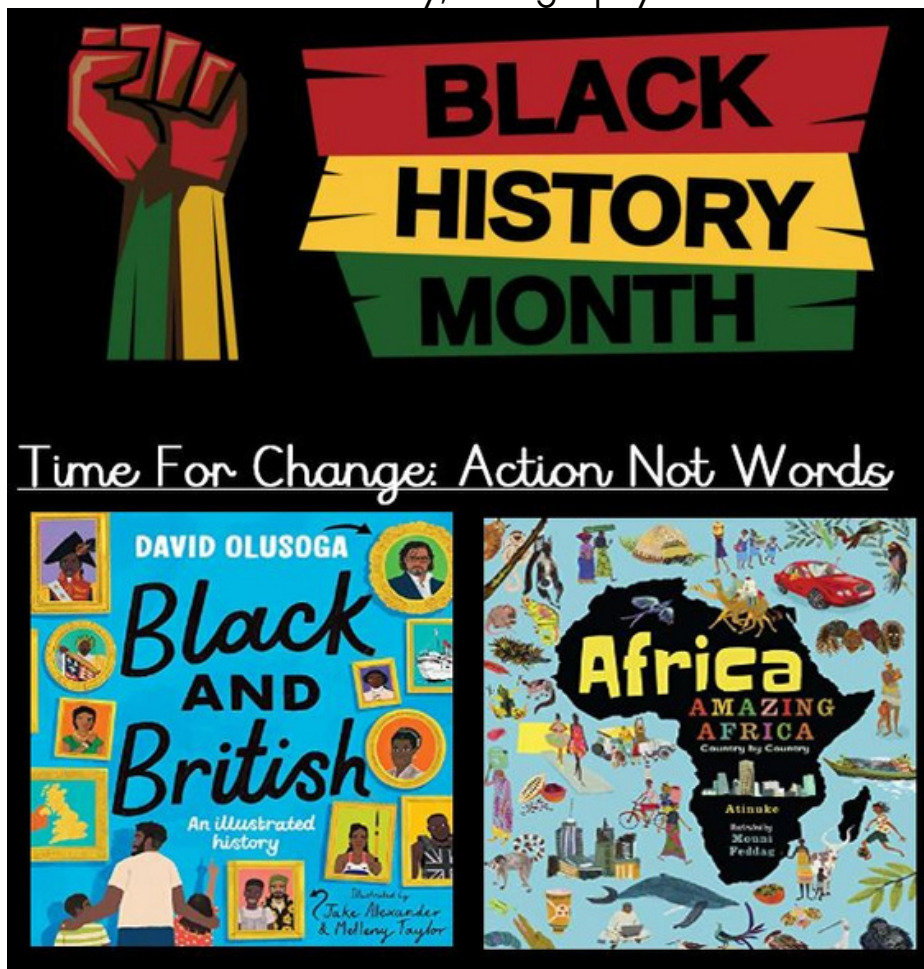
Time for Change: Action, not Words

Over the next two weeks we will be celebrating Black History Month. We are using two whole-school texts, ***Black and British*** by David Olusoga and ***Africa, Amazing Africa*** by Atinuke.

Each Year Group will be learning about the contribution to British history made by Black people; from the Romans to the Windrush when they read *Black and British*.

Each class has chosen a country in Africa to learn about when they read *Africa, Amazing Africa*.

The children will share their work with each other at the end of the topic, which focuses on History, Geography and Art.



Author Visit 20 October

A reminder that author Banji Alexander is visiting Brunswick on Thursday 20 October to read and discuss his book 'Lockdown Looms: Reggie's Birthday Party'. If you would like to buy a copy of the book, it is available via the school at the reduced price of £10 (usually £12.99). To pre-order one, please pay £10 in an envelope labelled with your child's name and class to the School Office. Banji will sign copies of the book during his visit.





On Tuesday 20 September 30 pupils from Years 5 and 6 took part in an inter-school Cross Country race at Burgess Park.

Everyone performed very well and should be proud of themselves for completing a tough distance.

Stand out results include:

Freddy, third in the Year 5 boys race;

Ejiro, eighth in the Year 5 girls race, and

Dave, fourth and Ethan eighth, both in the Year 6 boys race.

The team spirit and encouragement for each other were excellent from everyone but a special mention must go to Raiyah for her support of her team mates.

Well done!



**The next Brunswick Park Families Association
(BPFA) Bake Sale will be on:**

**Thursday 20 October at 3.15pm
Bantry Street**

**Delicious treats homemade by our school
community!**

All proceeds go to the BPFA, which raises funds to support the school.

Can you make Southwark

cleaner greener or safer?

We are inviting people who live or work in Southwark to propose ideas to make their local area a safer, healthier place to live.

What is the funding for?

The Cleaner Greener Safer and Devolved Highways programmes fund improvements across Southwark, e.g. new playgrounds, food growing planters, lighting, cycle parking, and zebra crossings.

How do I apply?

Visit www.southwark.gov.uk/cleanergreener safer for more information and to submit an online application. If you are unable to apply online, call 020 7525 4077.

When do I apply?

The application period for the 2023/24 round is open from 1 September to 2 October 2022 (midnight).

Contact

Telephone
020 7525 4077
or email
cgs@southwark.gov.uk

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GET RID OF AND
—DONATE—

OPEN HOUSE

FREE CLOTHING, HOUSEHOLD,
TOYS & BOOKS

Come and choose what you need.
All items are FREE

WHEN?

Starting Monday 17th October
Open House - Coffee Morning at 10:00 - 11:30
No items will be available outside of
these times or on other days

WHERE?

St. Faith's Community Centre
Red Post Hill, Dulwich
London SE24 9JQ

Train: North Dulwich Station

Bus: 37 or P4

CONTACT US

07944 102 112

WWW.GETRIDOFIT-DONATE.COM





On the Homepage of Brunswick's website there is the Events Diary, our Twitter Feed and Quick Links to all the information you need.

Please use it to stay up to date; it is there to help you.

School Tours for New Parents/Carers

We are pleased to announce a series of Open Mornings now available where we will be happy to greet parents from 10am on the following dates:

- **Friday 14 October 2022**
- **Friday 21 October 2022**
- **Friday 11 November 2022**
- **Friday 25 November 2022**
- **Friday 9 December 2022**
- **Friday 6 January 2023**
- **Friday 13 January 2023**

If you would like to book one of the above open mornings, please contact us on 020 7525 9033 to book your slot.

We look forward to meeting you, and showing you around the school.

Uniform

Sweatshirts, cardigans, bookbags and swimming hats are available to buy from the School Office on Wednesdays from 3.30-4.00pm. It's cash only at the moment; please bring the right money as we cannot give change.

Age 13 - adult sweatshirts = £10.00

All other sweatshirts = £8.00

Age 13 - adult cardigans = £13.00

All other cardigans = £11.00

Book Bags = £4.00

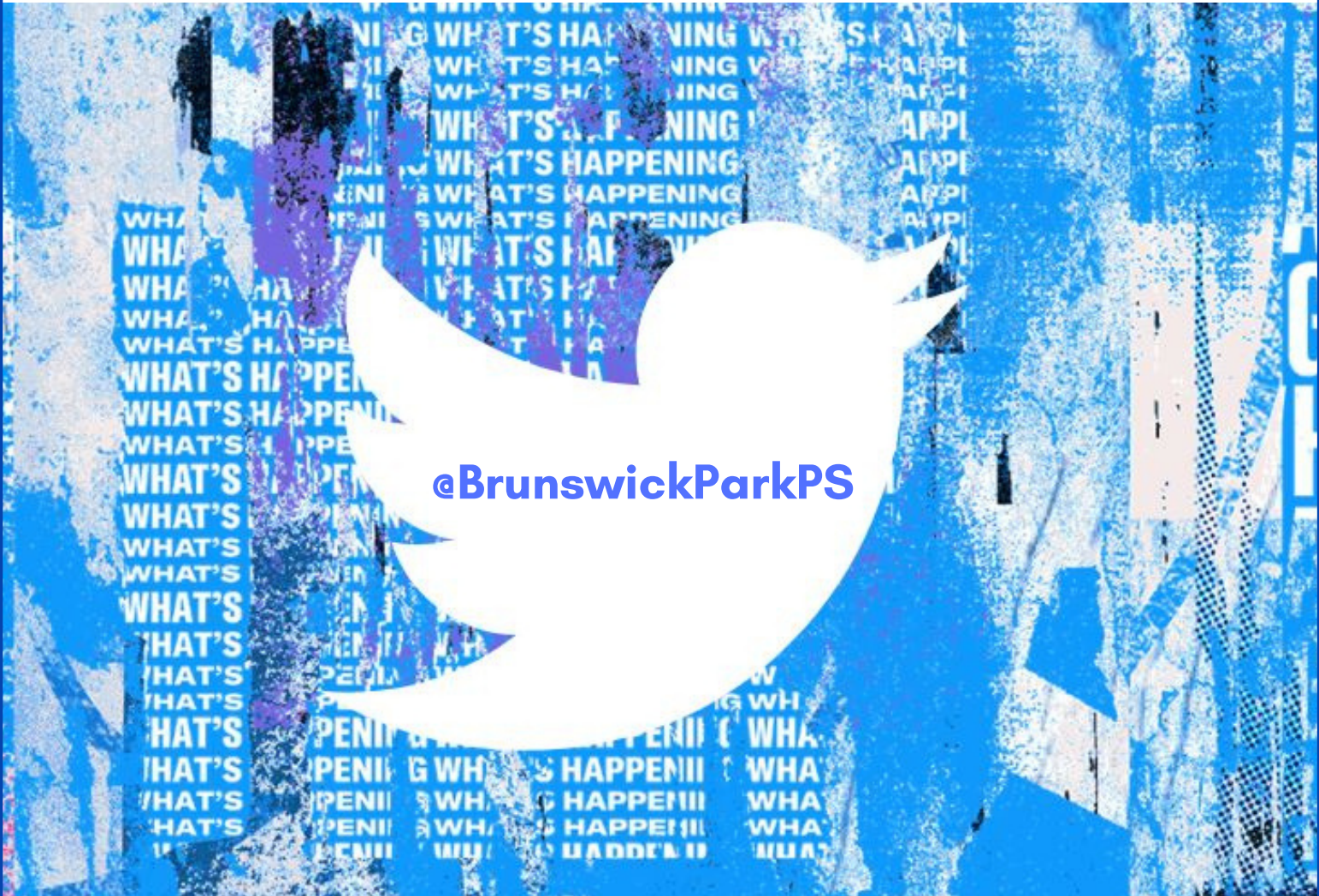
Swimming Hats = £1.00

Clothing with the old shoulder logo is available at the reduced price of £5.50



Follow us on Twitter

Classes and Year Groups Tweet regularly throughout the week to keep parents and carers up to date with what the children are learning and doing. Here are this year's Twitter usernames:



[@BrunswickParkPS](https://twitter.com/BrunswickParkPS)



Inclusion Team
[@InclusionBPPS](https://twitter.com/InclusionBPPS)



EYFS
[@EyfsBPPS](https://twitter.com/EyfsBPPS)



Years 1 and 2
[@Years1and2BPPS](https://twitter.com/Years1and2BPPS)



Year 3
[@Year3BPPS](https://twitter.com/Year3BPPS)



Years 4 and 5
[@Years4and5BPPS](https://twitter.com/Years4and5BPPS)



Year 6
[@Year6BPPS](https://twitter.com/Year6BPPS)



The Play Shelter After School Club @ Brunswick Park

£55 per week

£20 per day

3.30 - 6.00pm Monday - Friday

To register your child, contact the Centre Manager on **07905 007964**
or visit the After School Club in the Dining Hall.

email: admin@theplayshelter.co.uk

website: www.theplayshelter.co.uk

Brunswick Park Breakfast Club

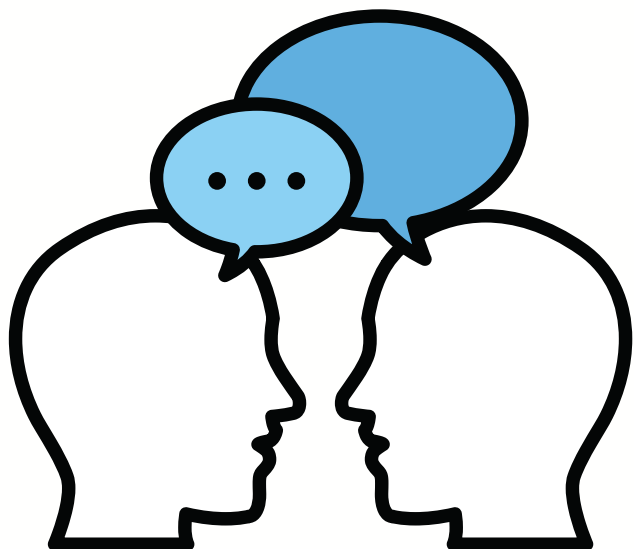
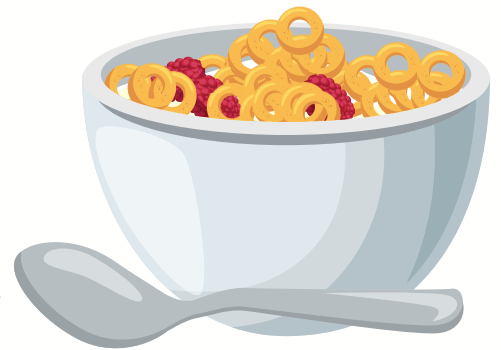
Reception - Year 6

£12 per week

regardless of the number of days children attend,
payable a week in advance at the School Office

7.45am until the start of the school day, Monday - Friday

In the Dining Hall, run by Brunswick's own staff: Mikaela, Linda and Karen
Nursery Breakfast Club details are on the next page



We need you!

To keep improving, we need to know what you think. We will send you Parent/Carer surveys termly, and are very grateful for all constructive feedback that can be used to help us make our provision for the children even better. The first is will be sent the week before Half Term.



Nursery Admissions

OPEN

September 2022

Brunswick Park Primary School offers:

15 hours childcare

Free

30 hours childcare

Free (subject to eligibility)

Breakfast Club from 7:45am

£16 per week

After School Club until 6:00pm

£50 per week

We ensure a safe, nurturing, home from home environment where children's needs and interests inspire planning to extend learning. Children make use of a range of indoor and outdoor spaces with the best resources which allow children to maximise their learning experience. All of our staff members are carefully selected. We foster a culture where staff are warm and caring to ensure supportive relationships with children and families.

To book a visit or reserve a place please contact the office

or scan the QR code:



020 7525 9033

office@brunswickpark.southwark.sch.uk

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Term Dates 2022/2023

ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023

Autumn Term

HALF TERM 1: Thursday 1 September 2022 to Friday 21 October 2022

**INSET DAYS ON THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER AND FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER -
CHILDREN RETURN ON MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER**

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 24 October 2022 to Friday 28 October 2022

HALF TERM 2: Monday 31 October 2022 to Friday 16 December 2022

INSET DAY MONDAY 31 OCTOBER - CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER

Spring Term

HALF TERM 3: Tuesday 3 January 2023 to Friday 10 February 2023

INSET DAY ON TUESDAY 3 JANUARY - CHILDREN RETURN ON WEDNESDAY 4 JANUARY

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 13 February 2023 to Friday 17 February 2023

HALF TERM 4: Monday 20 February 2023 to Friday 31 March 2023

Summer Term

HALF TERM 5: Monday 17 April 2023 to Friday 26 May 2023

(May Day bank holiday will be taken on 1 May)

HALF TERM BREAK: Monday 29 May 2023 to Friday 2 June 2023

HALF TERM 6: Monday 5 June 2023 to Friday 21 July 2023

INSET DAY MONDAY 5 JUNE - CHILDREN RETURN ON TUESDAY 6 JUNE

Children finish at 2.00pm on 16 December 2022, 31 March 2023 and 21 July 2023

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 Champion 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 and Twitter 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>

Attendance Update

Highest attendance of the fortnight is Reception and Class 4/5A

Lowest attendance of the fortnight is Class 3A

Class with the most lateness is Class 1/2C

Whole school attendance of the fortnight is 94%

If your child needs to be absent from school for exceptional reasons, you need to complete an Exceptional Leave Request Form in good time beforehand, available on the website and from the School Office.

Remember - don't book holiday in term time - even if the tickets are cheaper - as it cannot be authorised.

Whole School Attendance Target: 97%

Right to Reply:

07/10/22: 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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