

**'Appreciation'  
'Positive and  
supportive  
Relationships'**

# Brookfield Newsletter

**17th October 2016**

**'Achievement'  
'Confident and  
Independent  
Pupils'**

**'LEARNING TOGETHER ACHIEVING MORE'**

## Events this week

- Monday - Y2 open morning / 50 to CLC  
Tuesday - Y3 to British Museum  
2E to Museum of London  
Wednesday - 50 class assembly 10.25am  
Thursday - Grandparents' morning  
Rights ambassadors to Y Festival  
Friday - Y4 PAC Maths 9.00am  
Y5 and Y6 careers morning  
3.00pm 6R puppet Show  
3.15pm 6K puppet show

## Curriculum news

### Open Afternoon

Many thanks to all those who turned up last Thursday for our open afternoon. We had a very encouraging turn out and it was good to be able to share some initial thoughts and impressions. If you weren't able to make it for any reason, please get in touch with your child's class teacher to arrange an alternative appointment. We hope to see everybody within the next week or so.

### Grandparents' Morning



This Thursday, we are really looking forward to welcoming lots of grandparents to our school. Junior and his kitchen staff will be cooking an additional 80 school dinners, so please bear with us. The lunches may take slightly longer than usual to serve but will be well worth the wait!

Finally we are also delighted that so many grandparents have agreed to share a favourite book / some school memories with us. The children will be an attentive audience. See you at 9.am in the hall

## Albrecht Durer's hands

Linked to our current focus on collaboration, last Friday I shared the story behind the famous drawing of Albert Durer's hands.

Albrecht and Albert Durer were born into a large German family and both wanted to attend art school in Nuremberg. They knew their father could never afford the fees so they agreed a pact that



whoever won the toss of a coin would attend art school whilst his brother worked down the mine to provide the money.

Albrecht won the toss and went onto art school and soon commanded the attention and admiration of his professors and peers.

When Albrecht graduated from art school a celebratory meal was held in his honour. At the end of the meal Albrecht raised his glass to Albert and announced it was now his turn to attend the art school.

With tears in his eyes, Albert shared with Albrecht that it was too late to attend, as his hands were riddled with arthritis and bones had been broken on numerous occasions. He could barely raise a glass never mind hold a paintbrush.

Years later, Albrecht drew a picture of his brother's hands out stretched in prayer. This has become Albrecht's most famous masterpiece and a fitting reminder of the sacrifice which Albert made, and the collaboration that the two brothers demonstrated.

## Y5 and 6 careers morning

This Friday we will be holding a careers morning for Y5 and 6 pupils. We would like to thank all the adults that have accepted invitations to come and talk to the children about their various careers and vocations and to give an insight into what their working day actually involves. In the past, these sessions have proved interesting and inspiring to the children and judging by the range of speakers this time, it promises to be another huge success.



## Fundraising for Calais

On Sunday 6.11.16, I will be part of a Care4Calais aid run to support the refugees in the camp.

Care4Calais was founded by a group of volunteers with the sole aim of supporting the people of the Calais refugee camps, providing fresh meals, warm clothing, heating and important legal and medical support.

They are not political, just a group of people who simply believe that every human has the right to be treated in a fair and dignified way.

The majority of women and children in the camp now have accommodation, but many of the men remain in real need.

Care4Calais would be very grateful to receive donations of:

- Rucksacks and travel bag
- Old working smartphones
- Tents, sleeping bags and blankets
- Men's warm and waterproof winter coat
- Men's walking boots sizes 38-45
- Toiletries and toiletry packs
- Money to fund Care4Calais' ongoing work in the camp

My companions and I are paying our own expenses and 100% of your donations will go to Care4Calais. Please bring in your cash donations as soon as possible, as we plan to shop before we go.

**PLEASE BRING ANY GOODS TO THE OFFICE ON FRIDAY 4 NOVEMBER ONLY.**

Please try and keep packaging and plastic bags to a minimum as rubbish disposal is a real issue in the camp. Thank you so much. Haseeb

## Sports News

This Thursday morning selected Y5 and Y6 children take part in a hockey tournament at Talacre. Wish us luck and if you are around come along and cheer us on.

Sadly, our netball team did not qualify for the play offs; they played really well and have taken valuable 'match' experience away with them to apply to future fixtures.

After half term the unit we will be teaching is football. PLEASE send suitable footwear in PE kits!

On this note - Reception and Y1 parents PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILDREN'S CLOTHING AND LET YOUR CHILD DRESS THEMSELVES in the morning so they are able to do so after PE. We will continue to support those who need help getting dressed but it can take up a lot of the learning time which I am sure you can understand.

Look out for my weekly challenge which will start next half term. For now please start practising press ups and the plank for now!

## Clubs News

Letters will be going home this week regarding places in clubs, so please check book bags.

## News from the office

### Early Years Apprenticeship Opportunity

We are currently looking to recruit a new early years apprentice to work in one of our Reception classes. If you are aged 18-23 and you are interested in applying for this role, please contact Cee Rowlands in the school office on 0207 272 9627 or by emailing [admin@brookfield.camden.sch.uk](mailto:admin@brookfield.camden.sch.uk).

All of our apprentices are enrolled with Hawk Training and receive support from a Hawk tutor throughout the apprenticeship period. This role could be a level 2 or level 3 apprenticeship but please note that if you intend to pursue a level 3 apprenticeship there is a requirement that you have at least a C grade at GCSE in both Maths and English.

### School lunches

The cost of school lunches this half term will be £80.50. This is the last week of this half term, so please come and pay any arrears by the end of the week.

### Flu Immunisations

Year 1, 2 and 3 parents/carers should have received a letter last week regarding the nasal flu immunisation which is available in school for children in those year groups. **Please return your consent form by Friday 14th October**, as the immunisation will be given on Monday 31st October, straight after the half term holiday. We need to let the school nurse know the number of vaccinations needed before the holiday. Please note that you also need to return your form if you are indicating that you **DO NOT** wish your child to have the immunisation.

### Secondary Transfer for Y6 children

Please be aware that all applications for secondary school places must be sent to your local authority by 31st October. Failure to do so will result in your child not gaining a place in their chosen school. If you have any problems concerning this and would like advice, please contact your local education authority and ask for admissions.

### For your information

We have several cases of chicken pox in Y1 at the moment.

Also, we have been asked by teachers to remind you all to check your children's hair during the holidays. Headlice have been reported in many classes this half term. Some families have been very vigilant in supporting our request for regular checks, but we now make a plea to everyone to take extra care.

**Finally**, we look forward to seeing you again on Monday 31st October. Hope you have a wonderful half term.



# Brookfield PIA News

## October 17<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> 2016

### Thank-you

...to Y6 for kicking off the Bake Sale year at last week's Open Afternoon. We hope you were able to enjoy some refreshment.

### Fun-Run sponsor money

Also, hopefully you all handed in your well-earned sponsorship money for the Fun Run by last Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup>. If not, please drop it into reception - we won't tell.

### Grandparents Morning—Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

In order to make our lovely Grandparents' morning even more lovely, volunteers are need to help serve tea and coffee in the hall from 9.00-9.20am and after break between 10.45-11am in the music room.

Please contact Cee in the office if you are able to help!

### Christmas Fair: plea for organisers

We're still looking for people to take on the organisation of the Christmas Fair, which this year is on **Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. We and the Christmas Fair veterans can give you lots of support so please don't be daunted!

If no-one comes forward soon, it's unlikely to happen!

Talk to us if you're interested or email: [brookfieldschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:brookfieldschoolpta@gmail.com)

Have a great half-term break!  
Sonia and Charlie, PIA joint-chairs

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