

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

# Brookfield Newsletter

**30th January 2017**

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

**'LEARNING TOGETHER ACHIEVING MORE'**

## Events this week...

Tuesday - Nursery puppet making workshop  
Wednesday - Y5 drama workshop  
Friday - Y3 PAC Maths 9.00am  
Y4 to Neasden Temple

## Curriculum news

### 4Cs Class Assembly



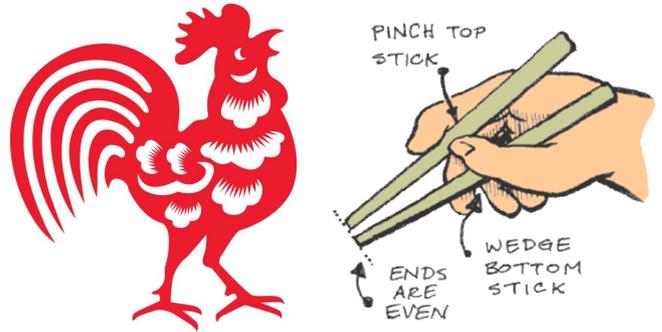
Congratulations to 4C for a really inspiring and thought provoking assembly on environmental issues, linked to the 17 global goals for sustainable development.

Inspired by work carried out in class, the children wrote and acted out a series of scenes where various issues were highlighted including an ill-fated trip to Borneo's rainforests and a rap stand off between Obama and Trump on climate change. The assembly finished with a spirited performance of Saltwater - one of the children's favourite songs. Thanks go to the children for a great example of collaboration, to Carla, Tom and Kate for all their encouragement and support behind the scenes and to all the parents / carers who attended. Next half term, we be looking at our next key global goal - eradicating poverty in whole school assemblies

### Chinese New Year

Many thanks to Ting (Sophia's mother) and children from Y1 who helped lead an assembly on Friday linked to Chinese New Year. The children ( Sam, Sonny, Sophia, Celia, Delilah, Siyana, Emily and Charlotte ) performed a delightful fan dance and Ting shared with the children some traditional Chinese greetings to be used at this time of the year.

Did you know that this year is the year of the rooster and 1/5 of the world's population will have celebrated Chinese New Year over the weekend, including an estimated 500 000 in central London?



In Friday's assembly I encouraged children to try out some Chinese Food and to use chopsticks, if available.

### Camden Maths Challenge Winners



In line with our value 'Achievement', I am very proud to report that last Friday, Brookfield won 'The Camden Maths Challenge'.

Our Y6 team of John, Bolade, Mortimer and Otto fought off 13 other schools to win the trophy and scored an impressive number of points over 6 rounds. This is the 2nd time we have won the trophy in the last 5 years - the only Camden school to have done so. Many thanks to Alex (Y6 TA) for his support on the day, Barnaby for his help and encouragement behind the scenes and to Eleanor Palmer for hosting this popular and competitive annual event.

Did you know, that KS2 children are currently involved in a times tables slam with 8 other Camden schools and have completed 2 rounds already? If you haven't done so already, do encourage your children to practise their x tables over the next few weeks to help them to do well.

## Girls Football League Winners



Again, in line with our core value, **Achievement**, I am also delighted to announce that the Y5/6 girls have won the girl's Talacre Football league - the toughest league in Camden).

The team comprising: Illiana (captain), Clara, Allia, Matilda, Scarlett and Paris played 10 matches altogether, winning 8, drawing 1 and losing 1. They will be picking up their trophy after half term.

## Random Act of Kindness Week



In line with our core value, **'positive and supportive relationships'**, in 2 weeks time, we will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Week.

During the week we will be thinking about how we can all show greater kindness towards one another. With this in mind, as part of next week's homework, children will be identifying random acts of kindness which they can share with others; including a family member, a class mate and a member of staff.

Everybody will be involved including staff and we hope that this wave of kindness will wrap up this half term on a really positive and affirming note.

Your support and involvement will be much appreciated.

## Sports News

**There is no KS1 ball sports this week.**

This Wednesday 1st Feb our Y5 dodge ball team take part in a competition. Let's hope they can emulate the Y3 triumph!

The gala trials continue; if your child was not able to attend then please let me know so they can take part another day. The Y6 gala trial will be after half term now. I will inform you of the date. Do check out the weekly challenge videos on the school website!

## News from the office

**The cost of school lunches for this half term is £64.40**

## Collecting children during the day

On Thursday and Friday of last week, 26 children had to be collected from their classrooms before the end of the day. This was tricky. Not only did this disrupt the various classes and the children's learning, but also involved the office in a considerable amount of time spent collecting the children.

As a reminder, we would expect routine appointments to be made out of school time, e.g. after 3.30pm or during the school holidays. Naturally, there are occasions such as hospital appointments for example, where this may not be possible.

We would also request that lunches, book bags, PE kits, musical instruments etc. are sent in with your children. If this is not possible, please make sure your children know that you will be bringing these items in later, and ask them to come to the office to collect them.

Between 10 and 20 items are dropped into school every day, and delivering these to the classrooms again impacts on the office's time. Many thanks for your co-operation. Mark

## Free and easy fundraising for Brookfield

Can't get here for cake sales? Want to make a contribution in a different way?

Our PTA have come up with a really easy way for you to contribute to their tireless fundraising for our school. Check out the [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) website.

It's just like using a price comparison website, but every time you purchase something for yourself, the site awards money to the school. We all think it's brilliant, and hope you all do to. See the PTA page attached for step by step instructions on how to join up.

## Governor's newsletter

Do look out for the latest governor's newsletter which will be emailed today

## A Kindness Quote to finish on

Our days are happier when we give people a bit of our heart rather than a piece of our mind.



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# Love is in the air!

Cake lovers get ready! The romantics of year 4 are organising the Brookfield Valentine's bake sale on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of February in both playgrounds. We need lots of cakes, biscuits, treats and edibles to sell. \* **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE A NUT-FREE SCHOOL** \* As usual, all money raised goes to the lovely children of Brookfield through projects funded by the PTA.

Looking for a unique gift this Valentines day? We will be selling beautiful handmade cookies, personalised with the name of your valentine. You can order your cookies via your class rep, more details to follow. These delicious treats will be made by cookie-expert Carol Dean a former Brookfield parent.



## Easyfundraising

Last week we sent out information in book-bags about our exciting new fundraising partner, Easyfundraising. It's a fantastic – and easy! – way of raising cash for Brookfield without you needing to do anything more taxing than spend money online. It doesn't cost you anything but has already made other Camden primary schools hundreds of £££££s.

It only takes a couple of minutes to sign-up, so start raising money for Brookfield straight away! If you have any questions, would like more information, or would like us to show you how it works, let us know [brookfieldschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:brookfieldschoolpta@gmail.com).



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