



# Newsletter

## Friday 13th January 2023

Welcome to our first newsletter of 2023! We hope you enjoyed the Christmas break and we wish you well for the year ahead. Here are some things to be aware of for this term:



International Day will take place on Thursday 16th February. The theme for this year's international celebration is 'famous people from around the world'. Children will be able to come to school in their favourite country's colours or international dress - more information to follow from Madame Warrington shortly!



Year 3 & 4 classes will be putting on class assemblies next half term to share, showcase and celebrate their learning and knowledge with parents. All assemblies start at 9.15am.

Please note the dates for your diary:

3A Mrs Connaughton's class - 16/3/23

3B Miss Kingsford's class - 9/3/23

4A Ms Faulder's class - 24/3/23

4B Mr Sumner's class - 30/3/23



Bikeability tutors will be in school from 20th - 28th March to deliver a cycling proficiency course with some of our Year 5 children. Children taking part will need a good fitting cycle helmet and a safe, roadworthy bike so please check these things before then. Thank you.



As pupils return to school following the Christmas break this week, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) is reminding people that winter illnesses continue to circulate at high levels, but following simple steps can help protect children, minimise the spread of illness in education and childcare settings and protect wider communities. Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

### What you can do



Keep your child off school or nursery if they have a high temperature. Do not let them go back until they feel better and the fever has gone.



Tell your child to wash their hands with soap and water.



Get them to cough or sneeze into a tissue, then put it in the bin.



If you do not feel well, stay at home. If you have to go out, wear a face mask.



If you are ill, do not visit care homes or people in hospital unless it is urgent.



Get your Covid and Flu jab - see our website: [www.manchester.gov.uk/getmyjab](http://www.manchester.gov.uk/getmyjab)



The UNICEF councillors have been busy! They have been collecting and collating suggestions from their peers about how to make positive changes at Brookburn.

The UNICEF Councillors then met with Mrs Owen to discuss the implementation of these ideas. We are dedicated to listening to children's voices and taking their ideas seriously.

Watch this space!

Miss Kingsford



## Don't leave it too late.

Apply for your child's primary school place online now.

[manchester.gov.uk/admissions](http://manchester.gov.uk/admissions)

**The Deadline is Monday 16th January 2023!**



Mr Sumner is delighted to announce the return of his Rock Band. Their first session was this week and they certainly are a talented bunch that played really well together. We look forward to hearing them progress over the coming weeks!

Drums: Kit and Joe

Guitar: Tas (bass), Alex, Samuel

Vocals: Gali and Juno



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**COMING UP NEXT!**

**16-20th Jan**

Week 2 Menu

**16th Jan**

Woodwind lessons (am)

Guitar lessons (pm)

Steel Pan lessons (pm)

**18th Jan**

Strings lessons (am)

Year 4 swimming lessons (pm)

**23-27th Jan**

Week 3 Menu

**23rd Jan**

Woodwind lessons (am)

Guitar lessons (pm)

Steel pan lessons (pm)

Year 4 swimming lessons



**Well Done to our TT Rockstar Champions!**

Week ending:	Most Improved	Highest Score
6th January	Emily 5A	Alessandro 6A
13th January	Chloe 4B	Milo 3B



**U16 National Basketball Finals in Manchester!**

Manchester Mystics and the Magic basketball teams have made the U16 girls and boys Sure Shot National Cup Finals! The competition will

take place at the National

Basketball Performance Centre in Manchester over the weekend of the 21 and 22 of January.

Tickets can be bought at:

<https://shop.basketballengland.co.uk/collections/event-tickets>

Adults: £5

U18/Student/OAP – FREE



### Medical Conditions and Medication

We are currently doing an audit on the medical information and medication we have on file for children in school meaning you may be contacted by the school office or class teacher. If your child's medication has expired, you will be asked to provide a replacement as soon as possible.

If you would like to inform us of any changes to your child's medical needs, please email Mrs Asher in the school office: [admin@brookburn.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:admin@brookburn.manchester.sch.uk).

It is important that we have the most up to date information so that we can keep your children safe in school.

Thank you.

### Term Dates

#### Spring Term

Fri 17 Feb – Break up normal time

Mon 27 Feb – Return to school

Fri 31 Mar – **Break-up 2 pm**

**NO After School Club**

#### Summer Term

Fri 17 April – Return to school

Mon 1 May – School closed Bank Hol

Thu 4 May School closed – Polling Day

Fri 26 May – Break up normal time

Tues 6 Jun – Return to school

Friday 21 July **Break up 2 pm**



### A few reminders for parents:

- The doors to school open at 8.50am and close at 9am prompt. If your child arrives after 9am, please come through the school office.
- If your child will be absent from school, you must call the school office between 8.30am and 9am **each** day of absence.
- You must provide 2 weeks notice to change lunchtime arrangements.
- Lunches should be paid for in advance.
- School is unable to provide class lists of children's names to parents due to data protection.

The Place2Be website has a range of parenting support and information including practical tips to support children's wellbeing and behaviour on a wide range of topics from sibling rivalry, to anxiety and battleground mealtimes to building secure relationships and a whole host more of valuable support. To find out more please go to:

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>



Improving  
children's mental  
health

All National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

# STAY SAFE ON NEW DEVICES

Whether you're an internet newbie or a pro at surfing the web, it's always important to keep online safety in mind. We've pulled together a list of top tips to make it easier for you to protect yourself and your devices in the digital world - helping you steer clear of hazards like misleading information and vicious viruses. There's never a bad time to refresh your internet safety knowledge, but it's an especially smart thing to do before you start using any shiny new devices!



 **National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday