



Newsletter

12th October 2018

Year 6 have started their biography unit by playing 'Guess Who?' They've been asking lots of questions to establish who their partners have given them. Why not try this at home?



We also welcomed Mel Jordan from Chorlton High School who ran a drama workshop looking at new beginnings as part of our transition to high school - Miss Taylor & Mr Alderdice



As a result of parent feedback on our current messaging system and in the interest of further improving our systems of communication to parents/ carers we have taken the decision to transfer over to another app called **Parent Mail on 1st November 2018**. This app will enable us to continue updating you on the necessary information, letters, invites and news but also allows us to send notifications to individual, groups and classes. The link to the letter on our web-site is **new-app-letter-nov-2018.pdf**. We apologise for any inconvenience this will cause but hopefully moving forward this app will improve communications with yourselves.

KS1 Mystery Readers

If you haven't already signed up to be a mystery reader and would like to do so please speak with your child's class teacher - thank you



MCFC in the Community are using the 'JIMU app' to code a robot with **Year 5**. The children problem solved together to build the robot and designed an obstacle course for the robot to manoeuvre around - Mrs Cannon & Mrs Dudgeon

Sport



Our Handball team played fantastically well this week showing great team spirit and lots of grit and determination considering they had only 1 week to practice the skills required. It was clear to see these new skills develop with each match they played.

We are also pleased to announce that we are through to the cross country final - more details to follow!

Well done, Mrs Dudgeon



School Photographs - Please ensure you return your envelope **by Tuesday 16th October**

Christmas Cards - Artwork and payments must be returned to school **no later than Wednesday 17th October**

Secondary School Applications - The deadline for applications is **31st October**. For more details please visit https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500322/secondary_school_admissions

Reception have been learning about all things India. Please don't forget that on Monday your child needs to bring a bike or a scooter and parents are welcome to come along for stay and play from 2.15pm - Mrs Conlon & Miss Kingsford



SEN Coffee morning

It's our SEN coffee morning on Tuesday 16th October at 9.15am for parents of pupils who are on the SEN register. It's an opportunity to chat with other parents and for Mrs Smith to share any recent SEN information. If you're not sure if your child is on the SEN register, please check with your class teacher. We look forward to seeing you.



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Attendance Awards w/e 5th October

Punctuality w/e 5th October



Y1A - 100%

Y2A - 99.3%

1B - 99%

Y4A - 99.7%

Y3A - 98.7%

Y5B - 98.3%

16 late arrivals, to school this week.

Please ensure your child is in school for 8.50am

PTA News



It's the Halloween Disco next Thursday 18th October - please book via Parentpay as soon as possible if your child would like to attend. Please also note that the KS2 Disco finishes at **6.30pm** prompt.

We are already thinking about Christmas and your child should be bringing home their cauliflower card designs this week. Orders must be returned **by Wednesday 17th October** to your class teacher. Correct cash or a cheque made out to 'Brookburn Primary PTA' only please.

There is also still opportunity for anyone with a small business to sponsor our school calendar, please email friendsofbrookburn@gmail.com for details

Dates for your Diary

October

16th - Y2 visit from astronaut
16th - Y4 Trip to Bramhall Hall
16th - SEN Coffee Morning
18th PTA Halloween Disco
18th LINK LT Pay committee meeting
19th - Break up for half term.
22nd-26th - half term break
29th - School re-opens for Autumn term
29th - Nasal Flu Vaccination
31st - Deadline for High School Applications.

November

12th-16th - Anti Bullying week
14th - Child Measurement Programme
16th - Children in Need
19th - Parents Evening (until 6pm)
20th - Parents Evening (until 7pm)
29th - Y1/2 Christmas Play

December

5th Nursery Christmas Singalong
6th Reception Christmas Production
7th PTA Winter Fair
13th Y3/4 Christmas Production (9.30am & 2pm)
18th Y5/6 Christmas Production (9.30am & 2pm)
13th LINK LT Trust Meeting
20th Brookburn's Got Talent
20th Senior Citizen's Christmas Party (2pm)
21st School Closes at 2pm

Dolphins News

This week at Dolphins we have been concentrating on activities surrounding Black History Month. This is a very interesting topic for the children to engage with as it includes a broad range of elements including social awareness, history, and engagement with different cultures.

Kente weaving (a form cloth making native to the Akan ethnic group of West Ghana) where many colours are interwoven to produce fascinating results. The children loved choosing the different colours and decorating Kente patterns, seeing how they weaved in and out of each other.

We also made large necklaces, such as the Zulu woman of S. Africa might wear, using a combination of paper plates and craft materials to produce a lively and charismatic mixtures of designs. Finally the younger children had a great time on a Safari roleplay, dressing up as different animals and acting out their roles.

