

# BROOKDALE BULLETIN

Brookdale Primary School's Weekly Newsletter

### **HEADTEACHER MESSAGE**

At the end of a very busy term, I want to thank the wonderful Brookdale community for another fantastic year. I have enjoyed the opportunity to visit classes regularly and our Brookdale children have continued to be engaged, enthusiastic and caring learners who work hard to live out our school values of respect, determination, teamwork, friendship, responsibility and compassion.



It has been my pleasure to work with our dedicated team of staff who go the extra mile to ensure the safety and happiness of our children as well as helping them to learn, develop and grow as individuals.

Finally, I have been so grateful for the support of our wonderful Brookdale families and look forward to continuing our partnership in 2023 and beyond.

On behalf of myself, the staff and the Governors, I wish you a joyful and restful Christmas break and a healthy and happy new year.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 9th January 2024.** 

Kate Ball (Headteacher)

## **Online Safety**

At this time of year, it's highly possible that you have a new phone, games console or other digital device stashed somewhere at home, ready to be unwrapped.



<u>This guide</u> shepherds you through the process of establishing parental controls on new internet-enabled devices, from smartphones to laptops to consoles. Simply find the device in question and read on to find out what options you have and how to enable them – letting children enjoy their shiny new gadget, without so much of the worry over where it might lead them.

### **Attendance**



Good attendance at school is very important. If you are not here, you can't learn! We always aim to have an attendance percentage of 100%!

The table below shows you the attendance percentage this week:

F2	96.7
Year 1	96
Year 2	93.7
Year 3	90.7
Year 4	95.5
Year 5	88.8
Year 6	94.8
Whole School	93.7

## **Next School Week**

#### **Monday 8th January 2024**

SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY

#### **Tuesday 9th January**

• School Re-opens to pupils

# **BPS Vision Statement**

'Inspiring, engaging and nurturing our children to achieve and flourish as citizens of today and the future.'



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# The Festive Spirit at Brookdale

The festive fun has continued this week at Brookdale:

On Monday, we held our Santa's Breakfast event for the whole school. The man himself even found the time to visit every class with his favourite elf to drop off some presents for each of the children. With a tasty breakfast of waffles, ice-cream and hot chocolate, this was a lovely start to the week!













On Tuesday, children from F2 to Year 6, along with all the staff and some willing parent volunteers, walked to St John's Church to take part in a whole-school Christmas service, led by the staff and governors. It was a lovely way to get us into the festive spirit and remember the true meaning of Christmas.







we collected lots of donations to the Charles Thompson Mission which were collected on Thursday. The Charles Thompson Mission has been serving the people of Wirral since 1892. The Mission helps people who are homeless, poor and needy, to get out of poverty. They provide hot food, clothing, toiletries, other basic essentials, along with much love, care and compassion. The mission have thanked us for our donations and sent us the photo below of where it all went. They have given out 300 hampers so far and our contributions will go towards creating more before Christmas Day.





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## **Brookdale Christmas Quiz 2023**

Each year, on the last day of term, I host a quiz for the whole school which includes 3 rounds: Christmas General Knowledge, a Photo Round and a 'Name that Tune' Round. Here's the photo round for you to have a go at home... I'll give you a clue: they're all members of the Brookdale team!





















answers are available on the next page....



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### **Year 1 Welcome Afternoon**

As part of their work on History and their big question for this term 'How do we make others feel welcome?', Year 1 welcomed members of their families into school to for a coffee and a chat. The adults told the children all about their childhood toys, parties, 'crazes', schools and games.









## **New Year, New Start**

In preparing the children to return to school in January, I would appreciate it if you could ensure that your child has:

- ⇒ Plain black school shoes
- ⇒ Grev or white socks
- ⇒ A coat in school every day
- ⇒ A water bottle in school every day
- ⇒ A full PE kit (plain white T-shirt & black / navy shorts)
- ⇒ Long hair tied back
- ⇒ No nail varnish
- ⇒ No jewellery (if earrings must be worn, small, plain studs only)



#### **Guess the Santa—Photo Quiz Answers**















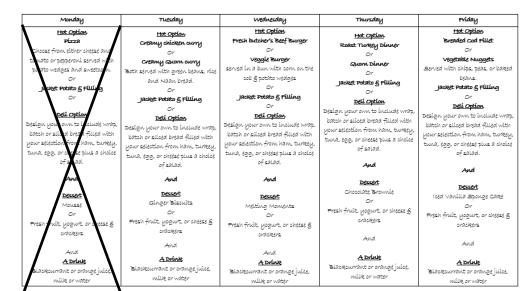






# **BROOKDALE BISTRO**

**Lunchtime Menu for Week Beginning Monday 8th January** 



Click here to go to our website for the full 3-week menu