

BROOK BILLBOARD

**Term Dates 2022 –
2023**

Summer Term 2

**Tuesday 6th June –
Friday 21st July**



R.E.S.P.E.C.T

A WELLBEING MINDSET

Dear Parents and Carers

It seems incredible that we are at the end of another academic year and it has been a very successful one for our children. I have enjoyed reading their reports and seeing how much progress they have made and what they have achieved. You will be receiving their reports electronically next week. I am sure you will join me in thanking our staff for what they do to keep our children safe and secure as well as being aspirational for them. We are also very appreciative of the support you give to us so that your children can thrive.

We have had some lovely events these last few days – the leavers' assembly always brings a tear to our eyes and we will really miss them all but we know they will be successful in their new schools and are more than ready to move onto pastures new. The Reception graduation was also a wonderful event, with parents joining in the music sessions and sharing quality time with us. The World of Work assembly showed our Year 6 children working hard at their taster sessions with local firms – we believe we are educating our children for the rest of their lives and work and contribution to their community is a vital part of that education.

We have had a visit from the London Fire Brigade as part of this World of Work curriculum and our children were able to see the jobs that the firefighters do, the uniform they wear and the equipment they use. This summer, when you are going shopping or to the dentist or on an aeroplane, bus or train do talk to your children about the work that the adults are doing in those locations.

Goodbye to staff

We are always sad to say goodbye to staff who have served us so well over many years. We are saying goodbye to:-



Marcia Belle
Ann Workman
Maria Preftitsi
Denice Carter
Petra Herzig

A big thank you to them all and we wish them every happiness and success in the future.

Back to School

Money is going to be very tight in school next year and that will mean that some of the things we might want to do, we cannot. We will always put your children's safety and wellbeing as a top priority as well as offering quality education, but it is a sad state of affairs that we are not funded appropriately.

We would appreciate **donations of snacks or a small monetary contribution** towards snacks if you are in a position to help us. We also have a charity and use that money to buy extra play equipment or take our children on an educational trip which is not one of our normal venues. If you, your friends or any business contacts you have would like to donate our details are:-

The Brook Special Children's Fund – Help us Build Brighter futures
Charity number 280180 Account number 65505297 and Sort Code 08 92 99

Term starts on Wednesday 6th September. All children MUST be back from holiday ready to start the new term on that date.

Have a lovely summer break.

Best wishes

From Maureen and the Brook Staff



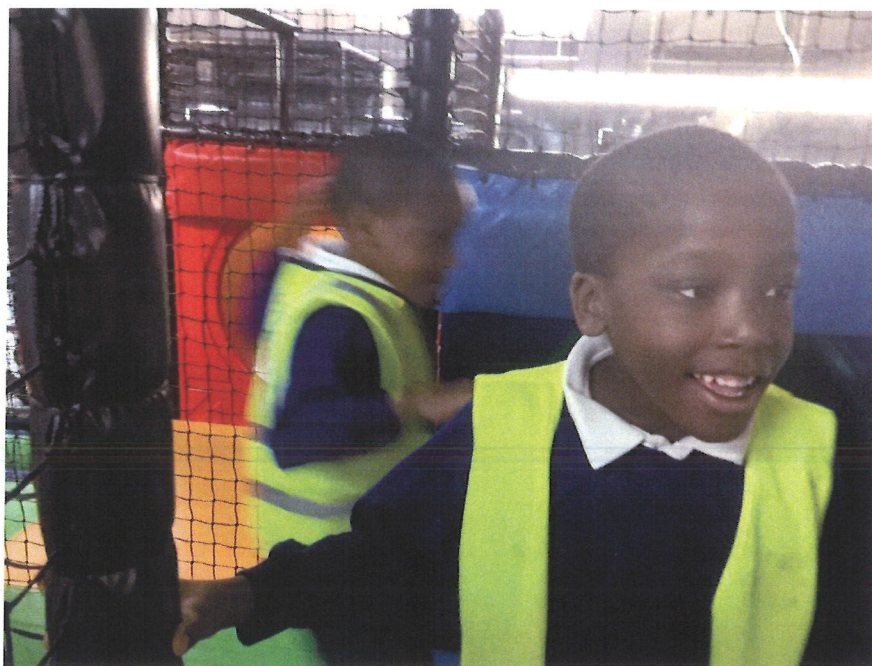
Brook Photo Gallery



In Ladybird Class we observed beans and identified the difference between shoots and roots

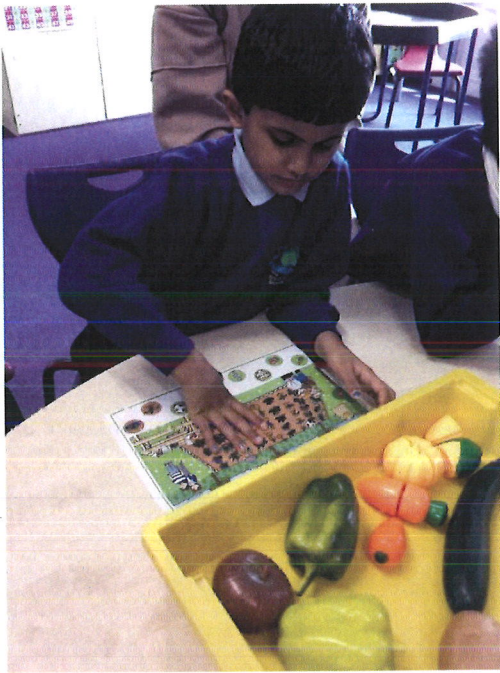






Lacewing Class enjoying the school fire engine visit and soft play outing





Bumble Bee Class during numeracy lesson activities



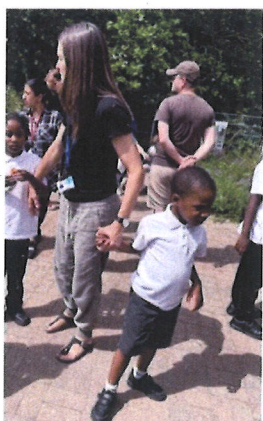
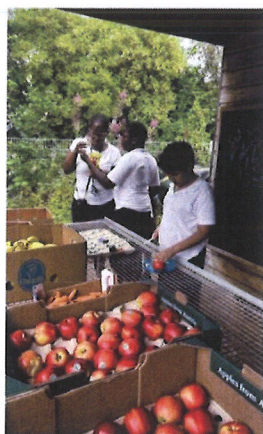
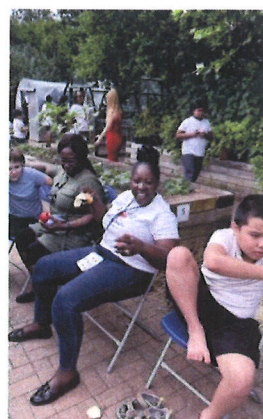
Sports Day 2023



WOW World of Work Assembly



Brook Garden Party



I would like to help The Brook Special School Charity!

Registered Charity Number 280180

The Brook Special School Charity seeks to raise funds to offer enrichment opportunities and experiences to our children in order to provide them with life chances. Anything you can donate will make a tangible difference to our children. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Donor Information

BUSINESS/ INDIVIDUAL NAME:	NAME OF CONTACT:
ADDRESS:	EMAIL:
CITY & POSTCODE:	PHONE:

Donation Description

CHECK ONE: <input type="checkbox"/> MONETARY DONATION* <input type="checkbox"/> PRODUCT / ITEM <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	
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<p>For Monetary Donations cheques can be made payable to The Brook Special School or you can donate via BACS to Account number: 65505207 Sort code: 08 92 99</p> <p>THANK YOU</p>	

Charity Contact Information

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Date: July 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Protect your children from Measles and Polio

Measles

Recently, there has been a steady increase in measles cases across London in children and young people who are not fully vaccinated. The UK Health Security Agency now estimate the likelihood of a measles outbreak in London to be high.

Measles is a highly infectious disease that spreads very easily from person to person and can cause serious health problems, such as ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, damage to the brain and death. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they come in contact with.

Two doses of the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccine (which are usually administered by the age of 5) offers 99% life-long protection and helps to reduce further spread of the infection in the community through herd immunity. Measles is not just a problem posed to young children, it's particularly important that teenagers and adults are also fully protected by vaccinations.

Polio

Polio is a serious disease which can cause severe illness and paralysis in children. Following recent detection of polio virus in the sewage in London, it is important that children who are not fully protected are vaccinated as soon as possible to reduce their risk of getting the disease.

The best way to prevent polio is to check your child is up to date with vaccinations. Children need to have had 5 vaccinations to be fully protected, and vaccinations are usually given from 8 weeks to 14 years old.

These vaccines are safe and effective

These vaccinations have been administered for decades and are considered safe and effective at preventing illness. Many studies have taken place to look at the safety and effectiveness of the MMR vaccine. The evidence is clear that there is no link between the MMR vaccine and autism.

How to check if your child is up to date and/or get your child vaccinated

It's vital that all children and young people catch up on any missed vaccinations. Please check your child is up to date with their MMR and Polio vaccinations before the school holidays. It is important to ensure your child is protected from these diseases as we enter

the school holiday period where children and families are likely to mix more regularly or may be travelling to other countries overseas.

- Check your child's red book or you can contact your GP surgery to check if your child is up to date for vaccinations against these two diseases. If your child is not fully protected, schedule to have the vaccination as soon as possible.
- If your child is in Primary or Secondary school, you can book into a clinic online with the school-aged immunisations provider Vaccination UK:
<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics/polio-mmr-catch-up-clinics>
Alternatively, you can book an appointment by calling 0208 017 4292.

Other useful information

- Washing your/your children's hands with soap and water or using hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day also helps you avoid catching and spreading viruses.
- As a parent/adult, if you are unsure/not protected against Polio & Measles, check with your GP. **It's never too late to get vaccinated!**
- For further information about the Polio and Measles infections, please check out the information below:
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/polio/>
- For further information about the vaccines schedule:
www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them

Kind regards,



Dr Will Maimaris,
Director of Public Health, Haringey