



# Brookside Primary School

*Learning for Life*

Newsletter Autumn Term Issue 2

[www.brookside.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.brookside.oxon.sch.uk)

20th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

All children have had a busy two weeks and are now settled into their new classes. It is good to see children enjoying their learning across the curriculum and making good progress.

## Book Fair

Next week we will be holding our usual autumn book fair to encourage all our pupils to share a love of reading.

The fair will be straight after school 3:15 to 3:45 in the dinner hall from Wednesday 25th September to Monday 30th September. Do please come along and have a look; there are books for all ages and reading abilities. If possible please bring cash although you can pay via a QR code which you can scan at the fair to pay via the website. As always a good percentage of the sales gets given to the school to allow us to purchase books for classrooms and the library.

Happy reading!



## New Flat Roofs

Oxfordshire County Council are funding the replacement of the flat roofs on the single storey buildings at Brookside. This will also include new insulation, fascia boards and gutters being fitted. During the works scaffolding will be in place and fences erected around the scaffolding to ensure that the children are safe. Work is due to start in early October and will take a few months to complete.

## Video Games and Children

Unicef have shared an article with some nice, clear and simple advice for parents/carers about online gaming. The article covers how to create a positive and safe gaming environment, how parents can engage with their children, what the benefits or gaming are and more. You can view the article on the Unicef website [HERE](#).

## NSPCC Online Safety Workshop

The NSPCC will be holding an Online Safety Workshop for all parents of pupils at Brookside on Wednesday 16th October at 7.30pm. Please add this date to your diary and more information, including how to join will be sent nearer the time.

## Early Help in Oxfordshire

Staff at Brookside are able to provide support for families by listening to your concerns and worries and working closely with you to make sure you and your family get the right support at the right time. At times children and families need a bit of extra support – and when it happens, it's okay to ask for help. More information is available on this website - Should you wish to discuss possible support for your family please contact the school office and ask to speak to Mr Watt or Mrs Swinburn (Home School Link Worker).

## After School Club at Brookside

A reminder that our after school club is available each day that school is open. More information is available from the school office and booking is available on ParentPay. Parents whose children attend after school club regularly will have received an email with the weekly programme on it so you can discuss with your child what they have done during after school club. This also includes the menu for the snack which is served at 4.30pm., for those children staying for the full session.

## Free School Meals

Some children in school are eligible for free school meals, depending on the income of their parents. Please take a moment to check this [website](#) to see whether your children are eligible – if you think you are then please contact Mrs Ashcroft in the school office for more information. If your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y2 then they receive free school meals anyway, but if your child is likely to be eligible for free school meals in Y3 then please let us know so we can check now.

## Strengthening Family Relationships

Oxfordshire County Council have put together a [website](#) to support families when disagreements take place that can help reduce or improve conflict at home. Please contact Mrs Swinburn (Home School Link Worker) via the school office should you wish to discuss this further or want some additional support.

## Diary Dates

School Photographs—Wednesday 2nd October

Half Term—Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November

**INSET Day - Monday 4th November (school closed to pupils)**

KS1 Christmas Production—Tuesday 10th December 1:30 p.m. and Wednesday 11th December 1:30 p.m.

EYFS Christmas Production—Wednesday 11th December 9:30 a.m. and Thursday 12th December 9:30 a.m.

FoBS Christmas Bazaar (3:15 p.m.) and KS2 Carol Concert (5:00 p.m.)—Wednesday 18th December

End of Term—Friday 20th December

Best wishes,

Mr Cornell and the staff of Brookside

**Brookside Primary School Term and holiday dates  
2024 - 2025**

	Sep-24					Oct-24					Nov-24					
<b>Monday</b>		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25
<b>Tuesday</b>		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	
<b>Wednesday</b>		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27	
<b>Thursday</b>		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	
<b>Friday</b>		6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
<b>Saturday</b>		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	
<b>Sunday</b>	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		
	Dec-24					Jan-25					Feb-25					
<b>Monday</b>		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24
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<b>Sunday</b>	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		
	Mar-25					Apr-25					May-25					
<b>Monday</b>		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26
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	Jun-25					Jul-25					Aug-25					
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INSET DAYS - SCHOOL CLOSED
  BANK HOLIDAYS  
 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

# Your School Lunch

Let's Eat  
• TOGETHER •

**WEEK ONE** June 3<sup>rd</sup>, June 24<sup>th</sup>, July 15<sup>th</sup>, Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Classic Margherita Pizza (Cheese & Tomato) (V, EF) Spicy Veggie Burrito (VG) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Sweetcorn & Baked Beans Peach Sponge (V)	Beef Bolognese with Twisty Pasta (DF, EF) Veggie Bolognese with Twisty Pasta (V) Cheddar Cheese & Lettuce Bap (V, EF) Vegetable Medley & Fresh Green Salad Flapjack with Raisins (V, DF, EF)	Roast British Gammon (GF, DF, EF) Vegetarian Roast Quorn (V, GF) Power Pasta Salad (VG) Crispy Roast Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding with Gravy Curly Cabbage & Peas Golden Cornflake Cookie (V, DF, EF)	Turkey & Leek Pie (DF) Chunky Bean & Veggie Chili with Rice (VG, GF) Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayo (V, EF, DF) New Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots Lemon Oat Cookie with Melon (V, DF, EF)	Battered Fish (DF, EF) Veggie Hot Dog (VG) Tuna & Cucumber Pasta Salad (DF, EF) Chips or Pasta Baked Beans or Peas Vanilla Ice Cream (V, GF, EF) with Peaches

**WEEK TWO** June 10<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, October 21<sup>st</sup>, November 18<sup>th</sup>, December 9<sup>th</sup>

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Classic Margherita Pizza (Cheese & Tomato) (V, EF) Roasted Vegetable Couscous Salad (V, DF, EF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Peas & Baked Beans Iced Sprinkle Cake (V, DF)	Chicken, Tomato & Sweetcorn Pasta (EF, DF) Cheese & Onion Pinwheel (V, EF) Free Range Egg Mayo & Lettuce Bap (V, DF) Carrots & Broccoli Ginger Biscuit (V, EF) with Pears	Pork Bangers (EF) Veggie Bangers (VG) Tuna & Cucumber Pasta Pot (DF, EF) Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans & Cabbage Strawberry Jelly (V, GF, DF, EF) with Peaches	Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce (GF, DF, EF) Veggie Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce (VG) Jacket Potato with Cheddar Cheese (V, EF) Fluffy Rice, Carrots & Peas Chocolate Crispie Cake (V, DF, EF)	Golden Fish Fingers (DF, EF) Crispy Quorn Dippers (VG) Ham & Cucumber Wrap (DF, EF) Chips or Pasta Baked Beans or Sweetcorn Shortbread (V, EF, DF) with an Orange Wedge

**WEEK THREE** June 17<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, September 16<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup>, November 25<sup>th</sup>, December 16<sup>th</sup>

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Classic Margherita Pizza (Cheese & Tomato) (EF, V) Cajun Chicken Wrap (DF, EF) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Cheese (V, GF, EF) or Baked Beans (VG, GF) Peas & Baked Beans Chocolate & Mandarin Brownie (V, DF)	Pork Hot dog (DF, EF) Veggie Hot dog (V, DF, EF) Rainbow Pasta Salad (VG) Sweetcorn & Coleslaw Sultana & Syrup Cookie (V, EF)	Roast Chicken Breast (GF, DF, EF) Vegetarian Quorn Roast (V, GF) Cheddar Cheese & Tomato Bap (EF) Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy Cauliflower & Carrots Orange Jelly (V, DF, EF) with Melon	Mac 'n' Cheese (V, EF) Mid Veggie Curry with Rice (VG) Oven Baked Jacket Potato with Boston Beans (VG, GF) Vegetable Medley & Fresh Green Salad Crunch Cookie (V, DF, EF)	Flipper Dippers (DF, EF) Veggie Sausage Roll (VG) Ham & Lettuce Bap (V, DF) Chips or Pasta Baked Beans or Peas Rocket Lolly (V, GF, EF, DF)

Available daily – Natural yogurt, fresh fruit, fresh bread, salad bar and lots of fresh water!

Allergy advice - all our food is prepared in a kitchen where nuts, gluten and other ingredients are present and our menu descriptions do not include all ingredients. If you have an allergy, please let us know before ordering. Full allergen information is available from your school. Any fish we serve will vary depending on availability.

We only select fish from sustainable sources.

Suitable for vegetarians or vegetarian option available.

Our fish and chicken dishes may contain bones.



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KEY:  
V VEGETARIAN  
VG VEGAN

EF EGG FREE  
DF DAIRY FREE  
GF GLUTEN FREE