

Brentfield News

Autumn Term 1

DATES TO REMEMBER

Meet the new teacher meeting

Mon 11th September at 8.45 & 2.50 Year 5

Tues 12th September at 8.45 & 2.50 Year 4

Wed 13th September at 8.45 & 2.50 Year 2

Thurs 14th September at 8.45 & 2.50 Year 3

Fri 15th September at 8.45 & 2.50 Year 1

Class Assemblies

Tues 26th September Purple Class Assembly at 8.45

Tues 17th October Lilac Class

Assembly at 8.45

Year 6 Secondary school applications deadline 31st October

INSET
School closed
Friday 20th October
2023

Dear Families of Brentfield,

I hope you had a fantastic Summer Break! It was great to see the children return refreshed and smartly dressed in their school uniform. We have only been back at school a week but I am delighted to inform you that the school has gained a Silver Arts Mark in recognition of all the creative work that goes on in the school. The Arts Mark Award is awarded to schools who are committed to delivering high quality arts and cultural education. I would like to thank all the staff for planning and delivering the lessons and a big thank you to Ms. McKinson who is leading this project.

Meet our new staff

I would like to welcome Ms Said, Ms Guede and Ms Ali as our new teaching assistants. You will also have met our new office staff Ms Raymond and Mr Karoui. I am sure you will join me in welcoming them to Brentfield.



Our popular Place2Talk lunchtime service from Place2Be will continue this year and we will assume continued parental consent form parents. An information sheet about this service is available on the Place2Be section of the school website or in paper form at school reception. If you have any questions, would like to know

more please or opt your child out of this service, please make an appointment with your Place2Be School Project Manager, Ms Adri-Soejoko, whose working days are Mon-Wed.



School Uniform

All children must wear the correct school uniform, including a tie in year 6. Branded uniform is available to purchase online at www.uniformoutlet.co.uk for click and collect from school.

You can visit the shop at 1290 Greenford

Road, Greenford, UB6 0HH or call: 020 3876 5717 On PE days children wear their PE kit, including their House T shirt to school. **Please label ALL pieces of school uniform.**



School Meals

For the academic year 2023/24 the Mayor of London's' initiative is to give Free School Meals to all primary age children. This will be reviewed in July 2024. You do not need to do anything, your child will inform the class teacher when they complete the lunch register every morning. Our current menu is available on our website under Parent & Carers/School Meals.

Packed Lunch

All children choosing to have a packed lunch at school should be sent in with healthy options. Sandwiches, fruit, yoghurt, cheese and plain biscuits can be provided. No chocolate bars, sugary biscuits or crisps should be provided. Children do not need to bring in drinks or probiotic drinks. Drinking water is available at school.

Due to children in our school suffering from nut allergies, we respectfully ask that <u>no items</u> <u>containing nuts</u> are sent as part of your child's packed lunch.

Attendance

Your child is expected to come to school every day and on time.

If your child is unwell, please call the school and select option 1 to leave a message to report your child's absence.

If you do not report your child's absence your child will be marked as 'unauthorised absence'.

Punctuality

You are expected to bring your child to school every day, the school day starts at 8.35. When children arrive late, they miss out on learning and their arrival disrupts the learning for the rest of their class. Persistent late arrivals will result in a meeting at school and a referral to the Brent Welfare Service as a safeguarding concern.

Appointments

<u>Medical Appointments should be taken outside of school time</u> and in the school holidays where possible. You will be required to show proof of appointments during the school day. Please bring your child to school before or after their appointment. Please inform the school in advance of any appointments.

If your child's appointment falls during their lunch time, they will need to be 5 minutes before the start of their lunchtime and they should return to school having had lunch in time for their afternoon registration.

After School Collection

Please collect your child at pick up time (Early Years, Year 1 &2 at 3.10 and Years 3,4,5 & 6 at 3.15) Any child NOT collected on time will be taken to afterschool club and you will be charged £9.00. If on the rare occasion you are delayed, please ring the school office in advance to inform us.

Breakfast and afterschool Clubs

We offer a breakfast club (7.45-8.35) at a cost of £2.25 per day and an Afterschool Club (3.10 - 5.30) at a cost of £9.00 per day. If you would like to use any of these services, please

complete the application form on our school website (Parent & Carers/clubs). Children must be booked into these club in advance. Sibling discounts are available.

Curriculum Clubs

We run a variety of free after school clubs through the year which run from after school until 4.15. you can sign up for them on Edu Spot. Please make sure your child is collected on time from the clubs as late collection will result in the place being withdrawn.

Home learning

Home learning is now moving to Microsoft Teams. Children will be shown how to access it and we will run a coffee morning for parents on 4th October at 8.45. It will be set on Friday and due in on Tuesday.

Birthday Celebrations

We understand that birthday celebrations are important but we are unable to give out party bags or cake in school. We have a high number of children with allergies in school and need to keep them safe. If parents wish to give out party bags at the front of the school at the end of the day, please give them directly to the parents who can check for allergies and if the items contained are suitable for their child.

Safer Schools Scheme

We are part of the Safer Schools Scheme which restricts access to cars in front of the school. Please make sure that you observe the restrictions at the beginning and end of the school day. The local authority will issue penalty notices to cars entering the zone during the restricted times.

I will send newsletters out every half term but please keep up with all the latest news and events by following us on Instagram @brentfieldsch.

Best wishes Mrs Harmer