



Brookside Primary School

Learning for Life

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Dear Parents,

Children are continuing to enjoy learning and working hard within their bubbles. Attendance levels are high and it is good to see children taking part in lessons across the entire curriculum.

Hill End Visit

Year 5 and 6 were conscripted, between 23rd and 25th September, to join the army to help allied forces during World War 1. At Wytham Woods, near Hill End, they learnt how to attack across no-man's land, throw grenades as well as exploring the rediscovered training trenches dating back to 1914. It was great to get learning where history happened, and the children learnt a lot about life as a soldier.



National Space Centre Interactive Talk

On 1st October, year 5 and 6 were lucky enough to speak virtually and live to a space expert about the solar system. Beaming in from the National Space Centre, they learnt about all the different planets and parts of the galaxy, as well as having the opportunity to ask questions at the end. It really helped them to visualise the size of our universe as well as seeing close ups of different planets.

Keeping Safe

Please can you ensure that social distancing rules are followed whilst on the school site. We have given every class a staggered start and finish time so that the site does not get too busy. Please do not arrive too early to keep the number of people on the school site down. When talking to other parents please maintain a 2m+ social distance. Thank you for your cooperation.

School Photographs

As you are aware School Photos took place this Wednesday for all children in the school including sibling photos (for children in school only). This year all photos will be "contact free" and available to view and order online only. You should all have received an email from Tempest Photography yesterday evening with a direct link to the images for your children. Images are then ordered through the site and will be returned to the school for distribution as normal. If you do require home delivery this can also be selected but for an additional charge. If anyone has not received their images please contact the school office.

School Lunches

A copy of the new lunch menu is on the final page of this newsletter.

TikTok

A reminder to parents that TikTok is intended for users age 13 and over. You can report underage users by emailing privacy@tiktok.com

The Local Authority and Brookside School's view is that children of primary school age should not have a TikTok account or be allowed to post content on their parent's TikTok account.

More information about TikTok can be found here -- <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/social-media-guides/tiktok>

ParentHub

Teachers across the school are using ParentHub to communicate with parents in a safe way. If you do not have the app it is available to download on Apple and Android phones and tablets. Just go to the app store and search for 'ParentHub' or click the link below. When registered in the app, please tap 'Add a School' and enter the handle below @BrooksideBicester



[Parent Hub for iPhone](#)

[Parent Hub for Android](#)

E-Safety – Xbox

X-Box Family Settings - Microsoft have recently released some new management features that parents can use. It is free to download and has some great features e.g.

- Create new child accounts
- Manage screen time limits (including grant more time)
- Accept or decline friend requests
- View and manage friends list

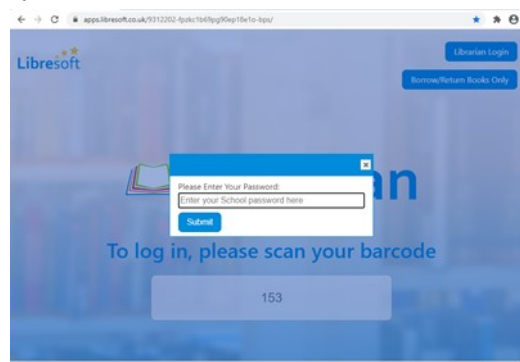
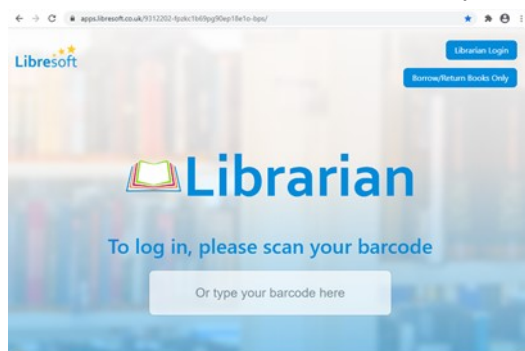
More information is available from - <https://news.xbox.com/en-us/2020/09/24/xbox-family-settings-app-launch/>

School Library News

I hope that your children have continued to read over the summer holidays and are looking forward to discovering new books now we are back at school. Unfortunately, we are unable to open Brookside library to students at the moment due to Covid restrictions, but the good news is, the library can be accessed online!

How do I login?

Children will be given an individual barcode number and password which will be stuck to the inside of their school reading diaries. When you visit the website <https://apps.libresoft.co.uk/9312202-fpzkc1b69pg90ep18e1o-bps> you will be asked to 'type your barcode'. Enter the barcode number and press return. Then enter the password in the box and click 'Submit'.



Where can I do this?

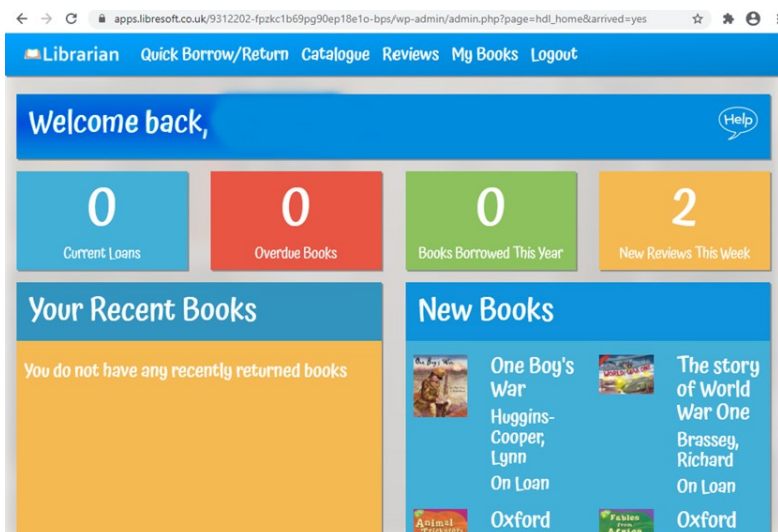
Our online library service can be accessed either at home or at school. Initially the children will be shown how it works at school, but they can also go online at home in their own time. There is also a direct link to the library service via the school website home page.

What can I do?

- When children are logged in to their personal account they are able to:
- check what books they have borrowed recently, or still have on loan
- browse the catalogue to find a book
- reserve books which will be delivered to their class
- write reviews of books they have read

At present they will not be able to use the Quick Borrow/Return function. Once reserved books are taken out on loan, they will be added to the child's account by the librarian.

If you require any further information or advice, Mrs Conway can be contacted by email at library@brookside.oxon.sch.uk



Dates for your diary 2020/2021

Friday 23rd October—End of the first half term

Monday 26th—Friday 30th October—Half Term Break

Monday 2nd November—INSET Day (school closed to pupils)

Term dates for [2020/2021](#) can be found on our website.

Best wishes,

Mr Cornell and the staff of Brookside

WEEK 1 (28 th Sept, 19 th October, 16 th November, 7 th December, 11 th January, 1 st February, 1 st March, 22 nd March)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MARGHERITA PIZZA	TUNA MELT & SALAD	VEGETABLE SAMOSAS	CHEESE & VEG PASTY	FISH FINGER BAP
CARROT BATONS	CRUDITES	SALAD	CRUDITES	SWEETCORN
CHEESE & CUCUMBER BAP	EGG & CRESS BAP	CHEESE & SALAD BAGEL	EGG & CRESS WRAP	TUNA & SWEETCORN SANDWICH
HAM & TOMATO SANDWICH	CHICKEN SALAD WRAP	TUNA & CUCUMBER SANDWICH	HAM & TOMATO PASTA	BLT SUB
FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT
GINGER CAKE	CRANBERRY COOKIES	CHOCOLATE CRISPY CAKE	SHORTBREAD	MANGO SMOOTHIE

WEEK 2 (5 th October, 3 rd November, 23 rd November, 14 th December, 18 th January, 9 th February, 8 th March, 29 th March)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MARGHERITA PIZZA	CHICKEN & VEG PASTA	TEX MEX BOWL (Quorn Mince and beans)	STUFFED POTATO SKIN (Cheese)	HOT DOG
CARROT BATONS	CRUDITES	SWEETCORN	CRUDITES	CORN ON THE COB
TUNA & CUCUMBER SANDWICH	CHEESE SALAD WRAP	TUNA AND CUCUMBER SANDWICH	EGG AND TOMATO WRAP	CHEESE AND CUCUMBER SANDWICH
HAM AND TOMATO BAP	EGG AND CRESS BAGEL	HAM AND CHEESE BAP	CHICKEN AND SALAD SUB	HAM SALAD BAP
FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT
GINGER COOKIE	JAM SPONGE	CHOCOLATE CORNFLAKE CAKE	MELTING MOMENTS	RASPBERRY SMOOTHIE

WEEK 3 (12 th October, 9 th November, 30 th November, 5 th January, 25 th January, 22 nd February, 15 th March)				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MARGHERITA PIZZA	TUNA AND SWEETCORN PASTA	BAKED BEAN AND SAUSAGE PASTY	CHEESE WHIRLS	VEGGIE SAUSAGE ROLL
CARROT STICKS	CRUDITES	SALAD	CRUDITES	CORN ON THE COB
EGG AND CRESS WRAP	CHEESE AND TOMATO TOASTIE	TUNA AND CUCUMBER BAP	EGG SALAD SANDWICH	CHEESE AND CUCUMBER SUB
HAM SALAD BAP	BBQ PULLED PORK SUB	CHICKEN SALAD WRAP	HAM AND CUCUMBER BAGEL	TUNA SALAD WRAP
FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT	FRUIT OR YOGHURT
SULTANA CAKE	FLAPJACK	LEMON AND GINGER COOKIE	CHOCOLATE BROWNIE	ICE CREAM