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## **Right Start-Bright Future** Newsletter 16 June 2023

Dear Families

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What a superb week we have had in school. The children and 'grown-ups' have coped admirably with the warmer conditions and thank you for following our 'sun safety' guidelines. Our school choir has performed at the Floral Pavilion as part of the 'Amasing' music and dance ensemble. Below are some reflections from Naomi, Penelope and Ruby;

'This was truly an 'Amasing' experience! The atmosphere was amazing and Ruby thought it was fantastic! Naomi's favourite song was Rainbow'. Ruby loved singing 'Amazing' and playing the drums. Penelope's favourite song was, 'Be who you want to be' and she sang this as a solo on the stage'.

On the same evening, Mr Ellis stepped in and ensured that the school's football team took part in the football tournament at South Wirral High School. The team played with skill and demonstrating moments of great flair; drawing two and losing two matches. Mr Ellis was very impressed not only by their skill but also excellent attitudes and behaviours.

Please do take time to log-in to Tapestry, as we use this secure Brookhurst School platform to share pictures of events, rather than posting photos on the school newsletter.

**Friends of Brookhurst PTA**- Thank you for supporting the non-uniform day and the very generous donations for the **Summer Social** taking place at school on **Friday 30 June 4.00-6.00pm**. This is looking like being a very enjoyable family event. Our PTA have kindly paid for a number of 'data loggers' for our science curriculum. This equipment, totalling  $\pounds$ 1,200.00, will provide the children with another tool to work scientifically in their lessons. Please can we kindly ask for volunteers to help for a period of time on the evening, helping with setting up from 2.00pm and running stall and clearing away after 6.00pm. If every parent could give 15 minutes then it would enable all our families to have time with their children and enjoy the Summer Social. If you can help then please email pta@brookhurst.wirral.sch.uk.

**Staffing from September 2023 –** Next week, it is my aim to inform families and the children about school staffing for the new academic year. We have one more teaching assistant appointment to make next week. Children will get the chance to spend the whole school day in their new classes on Friday 7 July.

School Attendance Matters-We aim for 100% our target is 98%. Foundation 2 = 95%, Year 1 = 98%, Year 2 = 97.1%, Year 3 = 97.3%, Year 4 =96.1%, Year 5 = 98.6%, Year 6 = 94%. Overall school attendance 96.5%. Well done to Years 1 and 5 who achieved over 98%. Much improved attendance this week!

## **REMEMBER #EVERYDAYCOUNTS.**

## 'Magic Moments'

**F2** – Our text this week has been the Ugly Five by Julia Donaldson which the children have really enjoyed. As part of this, the children used Alex Scheffler's Flip Flap Safari Book to create their own unique animal and have completed writing describing their animal. We had amazing animals like the Elephon, Zebodile and Crocon.

**Year 1** — We have started to program a sprite in computing and have enjoyed the challenge of making it move in the correct direction. We have had great fun in science investigating the senses and found it quite tricky to complete certain tasks whilst wearing a blindfold.

**Year 2-** We have been computing superstars this week, learning how to create pictograms using software. We enjoyed going outside in the sunshine for a mini-beast hunt and making a tally chart of what we could see before creating a pictogram to show the results!

Year 3 – This week we were surprised to find that all our shelters had made it through the storms! We have learnt all about seed dispersal with some help from Sir David Attenborough and we also joined a live lesson about the Romans. This led us to learn about Roman Numerals in Maths. Next week we will be learning to tell the time!
Year 4 – The Viking day experience was full of facts and games. Year 4 had the opportunity to explore how the Vikings lived, what clothes they would wear and even what money they used! We had the chance to see how flour was made through the grinding of wheat. The games Vikings would play proved to be very popular along with writing the alphabet. With some letters not existing, writing names was tricky! Year 4 had the chance to hold swords spears and even shields. Some of these needed 4 individuals to hold! The children absolutely loved viewing these items and exploring how the Vikings lived.

**Year 5** – This week we have had a visit from 'All About STEM', who did a workshop about renewable energy. We made solar powered and wind turbine circuits which made a light bulb shine. We were really engaged and asked lots of fantastic questions.

**Year 6** – This week, we have learned more about the classification and organisation of living things as part of our science learning. The children have created classification keys to organise a selection of different daffodils. They have also learned about significant scientist Carl Linnaeus and the taxonomy system he created for classifying all living things.

Kind regards

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AND FINALLY...... Our focused author for the next two weeks is LAURA ELLEN ANDERSON. Not only does Laura write her own books, she illustrates them as well!

## Ready, Respectful and Safe