

The Brookfield Bulletin



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Welcome to our first newsletter

The Curriculum Council decided that they wanted to have their own newsletter, sharing pupil news with pupils. We put our ideas to Mr South and our newsletter was born! We will be working with both the Well-being Council and the Environment Council to share news and events, but also sharing other news from our school that we think you will find interesting or exciting. We are even going to interview members of staff for each edition, as this is our first edition, we wanted to start with Mr South!

What's In This Month's Issue?

- Interview with Mr South
- Exciting allotment news
- Catch up with our swimmers
- News from all of our councils.

Putting Mr South in the hot seat by Finn, Sophia and Amelie

Who's your biggest inspiration?

My son, Dominic, he motivates me.

What was your favourite year when you were at school?

Year 4, I went to a small countryside school and there were only 12 people in my class.

What was your favourite subject at school and do you still enjoy it now?

Music and I still enjoy it. If I was to be in school again, I would probably enjoy other subjects that I didn't back then.

Who was your favourite teacher at school and why?

Mr Rizbaf-Naubari, although I did not enjoy the subject he taught, he had a lot of faith in me.

Who was your best friend at school and are you still in touch with them?

Kenny, he now lives in Malaysia so I am not in touch with him.

What is the most challenging part of your job as Headteacher?

Being responsible for all the adults and dealing with their needs as well as the needs of all the children.

What is the best part of your job?

Seeing happy, thriving children and parents and the school working together.

What is one piece of advice you would give your younger self?

To cherish the fun moments before they are gone.

Bonus information...Mr South was sent to his headteacher for not holding hands with the girl next to him in country dancing!



Awesome Allotment



We are excited to announce that we have begun the planning and building of our new allotment space. We have bought some raised beds and hope to plant them with flowers and vegetables. We even hope that the vegetables we grow, can be used at school in our Flourish Food!

by Reuben, Isabelle and Amelia

Food Waste...is it Important?

In the Environment Council, we have been looking at food waste and the questions around it. These questions are mostly based around: Why is it important? It is important as it is similar to recycling and helps our eco-system. What are the benefits? It helps our plants grow and flourish (even helping new food grow!)
By Emmi.

Recycle

If us humans don't stop our harsh behaviour to the environment, we could face irreversible consequences that could change our world forever. That is why we should act now to reverse the harm we have already done to the Earth and return it to its lovely, natural state. What could we do?

Switch to solar panels, re-use plastic, reduce food waste and plant more trees. Every little counts and we can make the world a better place.

By Diane



Poster design

Super Swimmers

We competed against 32 other schools at The Medway Park Leisure Centre. Overall, we were placed 12th, which we were pleased with. Indi came first in 2 of her heats and 2nd in one! Amazing achievement! One of the best parts were the heated seats, so when we got out of the pool, we warmed up quickly! All in all, it was a great day and we would definitely like to do it again!

by Indi and Jackson



'WELL-BEING' IS THE STATE OF BEING COMFORTABLE, HEALTHY OR HAPPY

In the Well-being council we make sure that we show positive behaviour and use active listening when listening to others as we know that being empowered and supportive to others can make a difference to someone's well-being and their mental health.

We make sure that we listen to what our peers are saying as being in the school council we are their voice and we represent them all. We encourage children to ask for help or seek support letting them know that this is not a weakness but a strength.

Last term we worked together with the Environment Council on a project that we were all passionate about and we now have a 'Buddy Stop' sign in the playground.

The children wanted to tell you all know about the day that they spent with Mrs Prince and myself who recently worked with Year 5. They had a whole day learning about becoming 'Well-being Ambassadors' for the school. They partook in lots of different fun activities during the day. They learnt how to define wellbeing and looked at different strategies that help to develop personal wellbeing and how to act as a role model to support their peers with strategies that they were taught.

Two or three children will wear high vis jackets that they will wear during break times so that they stand out to other children. The children have volunteered themselves to do this and Mrs Prince has made up a rota.

During this time, they will be supporting the children on the playground alongside all of the adults that are out there. They will help the children if they can't find a friend or if they want to play a new game and are unsure of how to play. The children will also signpost them should they need to the appropriate adult.

by Gabby