



Brookfields Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your support this week with 'odd sock' Monday which kick-started Anti-bullying week and your generous donations for Children in Need on Friday.

We were so pleased to have so many parents attend our first parent committee meeting. The theme this time was improving the school menu. Sarah Cash, our head chef came to the meeting to listen to parents' ideas. She will be making changes to the menu to reflect these ideas for January. We will share the new menus with you. Please ensure you let the office know if your child has a packed lunch or school dinner so that we can prepare the food accordingly.

The **next parent committee** meeting, run by parents, for parents, is on Monday 11th December at 8.45am. Everyone is welcome to join.

Our **next coffee morning** which is a chance to chat to other parents in a warm, welcoming environment is on Thursday 30th November at 8.50am. Feel free to bring biscuits/cake to share, we will have some craft activities available for you to do.



Have a great weekend.

Mrs. L Mahony, Headteacher

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

See flyer below for support with safeguarding your children when using smart TVs





Parent Consultation about Admission arrangements

Every few years, schools consult about their admission arrangements, and it is that time for us here at Brookfields. The consultation goes live on Monday 20 November 2023 and will end on Monday 8 January 2024. Click/copy and paste the first link below to read the admissions policy and use the 2nd link to comment on the proposal.

If you have any questions about this, do come and speak to the office team.

Here is a link/URL, to where we have published a copy of our admissions arrangements on the Birmingham City Council School Admissions website: Proposed Admissions Arrangements 2025/2026 | Determined admissions arrangements 2023 | Birmingham City Council

Here is a link/URL, to where interested parties can comment on the proposed admissions arrangements on the Birmingham BeHeard website during the consultation period: Proposed Admission Arrangements for September 2025/2026 - Birmingham City Council - Citizen Space (birminghambeheard.org.uk)

Key Dates

- Wednesdays: 3H Swimming lessons
- Wednesdays 3.30 4.25: Homework club Y2 Y6 (Complete a form at the office)
- Thursday 30th November: Parent Coffee morning 8.50am
- Monday 11th December: Parent Committee Meeting 8.45am
- Friday 22nd December: Term Ends
- Monday 8th January: Pupils return to school after the holiday

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS? Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself: from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled — so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

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INCREASED SCREEN TIME

REMOTE-CONTROL

UNCONVINCING SECURITY

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A SILENT SPY?

HELLO

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

It's likely that your smart TV has built-in parental controls, which not only let you filter out age-inappropriate shows, movies and games but can also restrict in-app purchasing, so your child can't accidentally spend money through the device. When you've enabled these safieguards, have an open conversation with your child about the reasons, helping them to understand the potential risks.

Meet Our Expert



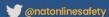
CREATE CHILD PROFILES

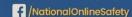
OSCAR Much like with smartphones and tablets, apps can be downloaded onto smart TVs: from free content platforms such as BBC iPlayer to paid-for services like Prime Video. Most of these apps allow you to create a separate account for your child which has different settin to your own – suggesting more child-friendly material and reducing the

CONSIDER THE LOCATION

If you're concerned about the online safety hazards that a smart TV might pose to your child, you could consider where in your home you put the device. The safest option would be to place the smart TV in a shared family space — so that an adult is usually nearby and able to supervise while your child's watching it — rather than in the relative privacy of a bedroom.











Next week Year 2 staff will be selling raffle tickets at the end of the day for £1 a strip. These are some of the prizes available:







Gliders will be on sale for 50p.

The draw will be on Friday 24th November 2023.