#### Braeside School

### NEWSLETTER



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#### Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents,

It has been heart-warming to see pupils across the whole school enjoying events together. The friendships that have developed across the school this year between senior and junior pupils have been facilitated by the cross school events such as the Platinum Jubilee Celebration that we had earlier in the month.

Pupils have shown great determination and courage by taking part in events and such as the Oak-Tree Group Spelling Bee and the ISA National Athletics Competition. It is through pushing ourselves to do something different that we grow and develop. I have most definitely seen this over the past few weeks and I am incredibly proud of our pupils who show this courage.

I do hope to see you all at Sports Day, the Early Years Celebration and Speech Day. Kind Regards,

Mrs Chloe Moon

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#### **Oak-Tree Spelling Bee**

Eight children from each school took part in the Oak-Tree Spelling Bee this year, two from each year group from Year 3 to Year 6. It was a wonderful opportunity to link with all the Oak-Tree schools and compete against each other. The event was hosted by Coopersale Hall School. Each year group were given 20 challenging spellings linked to their age and curriculum. The four heats were rotated and points added up after each round. The children were challenged and they did us all proud.

The results were as follows: Braeside School -  $1^{st}$  Place Normanhurst School -  $2^{nd}$  Place Coopersale Hall School -  $2^{nd}$  Place Oaklands School -  $3^{rd}$  Place



All the children across the group enjoyed partaking in this competition and we will definitely have another challenge next year! We want to congratulate and thank each of the children who participated in this event. Well done Braeside and everyone who took part.

#### Year 4's Fantastic Trip To The Petrie Museum

On Wednesday 25th May, Year 4 visited the Petrie Museum and the British Museum. In the morning, they visited the Petrie museum where they went on a hunt to find certain artefacts and answer questions about them. They could not believe how many items in the museum linked to Ancient Egypt.

In the afternoon, they visited the British Museum and saw the collection of mummies. It was amazing to see just how many were there and all of the different objects that were placed inside their tombs with them. The pupils had a fantastic day and came away with so many new facts to tell their families that evening.



#### Success At The 2022 Intermediate Maths Challenge

On Wednesday 2 February 2022, pupils from Years 9, 10 and 11 joined schools from across the UK and took part in the UKMT Intermediate Mathematical Challenge.

Year 9 - Lauren, Adiba, Hazel and Eva

Year 10 - Aina, Iman, Emerald, Nadia and Isabelle

Year 11 – Emilie

This is a national challenge that encourages mathematical thinking by solving 25 demanding and tricky questions in one hour. Students from around the world take part and the best performing students are awarded bronze, silver and gold certificates.

Iman achieved the highest score and received the award for 'Best in School' as well as a 'Gold' award. Emilie received the award for 'Best In Year' as well as a 'Gold' award. Iman received the award for 'Best in Year' as well as a 'Bronze' award. Isabelle received the 'Silver' award and Eva, Emerald and Nadia all received the Bronze award.

Three students were selected for the follow up 'Kangaroo rounds'. Emilie took part in the 'Pink Kangaroo 2022' and achieved a 'Certificate of Participation'. Iman and Isabelle took part in the 'Grey Kangaroo' and also achieved a 'Certificate of Participation'. Congratulations and a big thank you goes out to all of the pupils who participated!



#### **2022 UKMT Junior Maths Challenge**

In April 2022, 10 Braeside pupils from Years 7 & 8 took part in this year's Junior Maths Challenge, run by the UK Mathematics Trust.

Year 7 – Maya, Sienna and Riana

Year 8 – Talia, Maya, Ava, Sareen, Zaynab, Eliza and Amaya.

This is a national challenge, similar to the Intermediate Maths Challenge and also provides an opportunity for students to think and solve problems. All students take the same paper regardless of age.

The Challenge involves answering 25 multiple-choice questions in one hour and is normally sat at school under normal exam conditions.



A special well done goes to Amaya who achieved 'Best in School' and the Silver award, Maya in Year 7, who achieved 'Best in Year' and the Bronze award and also Sienna, Rianna and Maya in Year 8 who were awarded the Bronze awards.

All students received a certificate of participation. Congratulations to all who took part!

#### Year 10 Try Their Hand At Portraiture

Year 10 are exploring portraiture this term to produce personal portraits of themselves. They have been experimenting with a range of techniques using line tone and texture through interesting viewpoints, close-ups and possessions to express elements of their own personalities. Great work Year 10!







#### Year 9's Paintings Look Pretty Sweet

Year 9 have been exploring the work of British artist Sarah Graham. Sarah is an artist that loves to paint large bright vibrant canvases taking inspiration from her childhood. They started by photographing different compositions and then selected one to enlarge and paint.

The final paintings speak for themselves!

#### Year 10 Picnic Breakfast

Year 10 enjoyed some relaxation time after a stressful few weeks of exams. While the sun was shining, the pupils had a delicious breakfast in the school gardens.







#### **Oak-Tree Tennis Tournament 2022**

On Friday 27 May, all 4 of the Oak-Tree Schools got together for a Junior Tennis Tournament. The tournament was held at the Chingford School of Tennis, and the weather was perfect. Pupils enjoyed taking each other on in short double and singles matches.

Not only did the children have a lot of fun and improve their tennis skills, but it was also a great opportunity for pupils to get to know each other a little better and make new friends.



#### Year 1 Compete In The ISA Multi-skills Festival!

Year 1 had a great time competing at the ISA multiskills festival!

They had a go at jumping as far and fast as they could in the sack race, using all their strength in the tug of war and even worked as a team to get to the finish line without touching the floor! It was a very tricky task, but the children did brilliantly.

They worked together as a team and showed excellent sportsmanship!



#### **ISA** athletics national finals

A huge well done to Darcy, who won the Year 4 long jump competition at the ISA athletics, giving her the opportunity to go to Manchester for the ISA athletics national finals.

Up against some tough competition, she came 5th which is a massive achievement. We are all very proud of her, well done Darcy!





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#### Kindergarten Have a Roar-some Time

The Children in Kindergarten are loving this term's topic of 'Dinosaurs'. The Early Years outdoor space has been turned into a spectacular Dino-world, complete with a dinosaur park ranger hut and bone and fossil wall.

The children have had so much fun taking part in activities such as a forest trek to look for dinosaurs with their new binoculars and an arty mask making session.





Kindergarten collected lots of natural materials, like stones and leaves from around the garden to help build their dinosaur forest. The children took lots of time and care to make sure the forest was the perfect habitat for their toy dinosaurs to live in!

#### **Olympic Park Visit**

#### Years 3 & 5

Years 3 and 5 travelled to the Olympic Park for a cycling session at the velodrome. They improved their bike handling and were challenged to the limbo, whilst on bikes! They had to get hoops onto a cone and ride in and out of the cones at the same time, it was definitely a challenge. The girls really enjoyed themselves and gained confidence throughout the session.

The pupils also had the opportunity to explore the Olympic park and play in the playgrounds, as well as enjoy a picnic lunch and an ice cream!





#### Year 4

Year 4 travelled to the Olympic Park where they got to take part in a cycling session at the velodrome to improve their bike handling and safety when riding. It was an amazing opportunity to cycle on the same track as some of the best cyclists in the world.

They then walked over to the orbital where the pupils had the opportunity (if brave enough!) to go down the slide as well as seeing some amazing views of London.

Year 4 had a picnic lunch and spent the afternoon playing in the parks in the sunshine. After a busy day, they returned to school for pizza and time to relax around the fire pit before watching a film and sleeping in the school!

What a day!



#### Year 6

Year 6 also got the amazing opportunity to visit the Velodrome, taking a close look at the track and training facility, before heading off for a bike ride around the park!



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Year 8 presented a wonderful Platinum Jubilee assembly to celebrate the life and reign of Queen Elizabeth. The pupils did lots of research to find interesting and unknown facts to entertain their audience, as well as creating their own props!



Pupils were also treated to a wonderful Jubilee celebration in the sun. The catering team cooked up a summer picnic feast for the whole school, which consisted of salads, sandwiches, sausage rolls, pork pies, scotch eggs, fruit salad, and of course a bowl of strawberries and cream!

The youngest children made crowns and coloured flags, and enjoyed their food picnic-style in the grounds.

After eating, the older pupils lead games and other Jubilee-themed activities. What a lovely way to end a busy half term!





