Braeside School

NEWSLETTER



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Headmistress's Message

Dear Parents

Thank you so much for supporting our various events by purchasing tickets, attending and supporting performances and for giving up your time to volunteer to help these events run. The school value of friendship is truly strengthened when pupils get to spend time with their school friends enjoying what has been a busy and purposeful school year.

Aladdin was a huge success and the pupils who performed were incredibly proud of their efforts on stage with singing, dancing and reciting their lines. Events like these are supported by every member of staff in the school in some capacity and also supported by our Senior Drama and Music Ambassadors. I know the pupils who took part worked very hard to make a very special evening.

Our Early Years children continue to learn through the rich experiences we provide for them. They have been on trips locally and have taken part in events such as the taxi experience (to strengthen communication skills) and have bought an ice cream to enjoy (where they learned about using the correct money for items). Learning through real life experiences continues to support our youngest pupils on the start of the school journey.

I wish you a restful break over the summer.

Best wishes Mrs Chloe Moon Headmistress



EARLY YEARS NEWS

The **Kindergarten and Reception** children were all lucky enough to get a visit from Ches, a real London taxi driver. He explained the history of when the taxi service started and taught the children how we can catch a taxi in London. We all really enjoyed his visit. Thank you Ches!



As part of their summer topic, Braeside **Kindergarten** all enjoyed a special visit from the ice-cream van. They all chose their favourite flavour, bubble-gum proving the most popular! Fun was had by all!



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JUNIOR NEWS

Braeside School's production of Aladdin Jr. at Redbridge Drama Centre was a spectacular success!

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All pupils in the Juniors were involved, including our youngest stars who danced, sang, and provided amazing backing for all the songs.

The children put so much effort into their rehearsals, and all the hard work really paid off with excellent singing, perfectly timed comedy, and great acting. Well done, everyone!















JUNIOR NEWS

On Moving Up Day, our current Year 5's had a lovely time exploring FORCED PERSPECTIVE.

Forced perspective is a technique that uses perspective to manipulate how the human mind perceives elements of the photo. It was a great opportunity to work as a group with students taking turns to photograph, model and direct. We had lots of fun and produced these cool photographs. Well done everyone great work!





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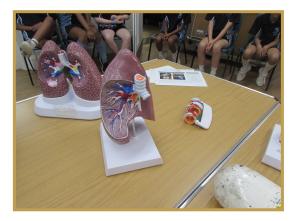
Year 6 pupils and new pupils that are joining us for Year 7 in September had great fun on Moving up day! They spent the day getting to know each other by taking part in games that required teamwork and communication. They experienced a taste of Senior lessons and had a picnic lunch in the sun!





SENIOR NEWS

Year 6 and 7 were lucky enough to have been given a talk and practical workshop by Ms Crump who is a respiratory nurse in the local area. She came in to speak to Year 6 and 7 about lung health and function and to dispel some common misconceptions about the organs. Pupils were able to look at equipment and see real-life models of the function of lungs to enhance their knowledge of biology and the body. We are ever so grateful to Ms Crump.



PUPIL NEWS

Ava wins U14 Tennis Tournament

Well done to Ava in Year 8 who won the U14 Tennis Tournament in Croydon.

Braeside School are very proud of you!



Eliza wins Gold at the Hull Box Cup 2024!

A big well done to Braeside pupil Eliza who secured gold at the prestigious Hull Box Cup!

We are incredibly proud of all you are achieving.







SPORTS DAY 2024

We had a fantastic afternoon at Braeside's Sports Day!

The whole school took part, from Lower Kindergarten all the way up to Year 10. Pupils competed in a number of races, including flat sprints, 200m races, skipping races, obstacle races, and the classic egg and spoon race. We also added some field sports to the programme including long jump and javelin. The afternoon finished with a series of exciting relay races.

It was lovely to see all of our pupils cheering each other on and supporting each other in every race. A huge congratulations to everyone who won a medal, and to Fry House who the winners of Sports Day 2024.















CULTURE DAY

Braeside had their first ever Culture Day! We're very proud of our broad spectrum of cultures and wanted to celebrate this as a school wide event. The day consisted of a range of activities all designed to educate students across the school about different cultures from around the world and not just the Braeside community. The event was led by the Senior pupils but also included Junior pupils on the day.

The Senior year groups all opted to represent a different continent, they were as follows:

Year 7 - Asia

Year 8 - Europe

Year 9 - Africa

Year 10 - South America

They worked very hard in creating a range of informative and educational "display stalls" relating to different countries within their chosen continent. Each stall featured a range of facts and were visited by the Junior classes to help them learn about different cultures in a "marketplace" style environment, where they went from stall to stall, learning new facts along the way presented to them by the Senior pupils.

As well as this, students dressed in clothes that related to their culture of heritage and took part in a whole school "fashion show". The day concluded with a fun "Guess the flag activity" where all classes participated in a quiz via Zoom to determine who really knows their Geography!



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SPORTS NEWS

After being successful in the Wimbledon schools ballot, 8 pupils from Years 7-10 got the privilege to experience the first day of Wimbledon! We watched 3 top class matches on Court 2, ate strawberries and cream, discovered what it's like to be a ball girl and were spotted on TV! It was an inspiring day out enjoyed by all.

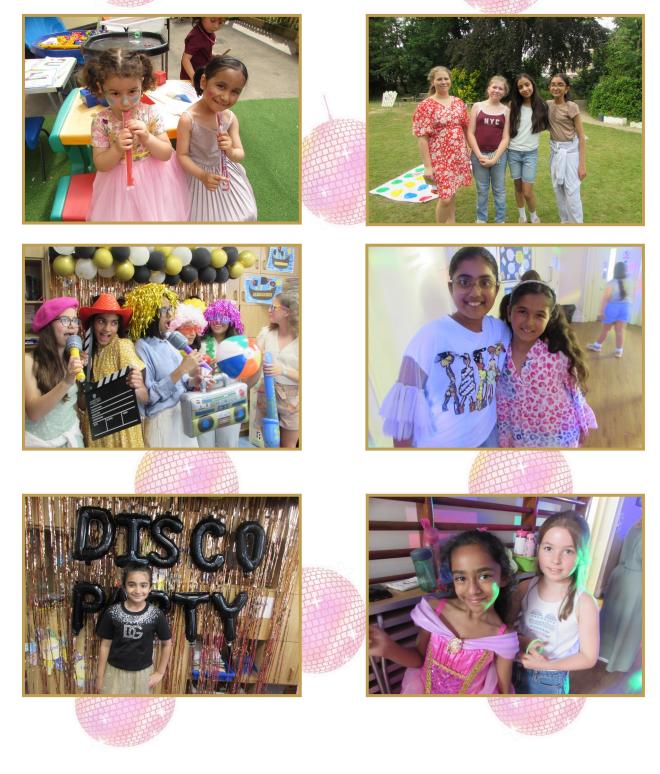
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FOBS Disco

Our bi-annual FOBS Disco and Festival was another success. Thank you to FOBS and the parent helpers who helped make the afternoon possible! We were lucky enough to secure a DJ and party entertainer as well as a circus act. Teachers and Year 9 supported with face paint and festival glitter. We sold much needed ice lollies after bouncing on the inflatable castle. Year 9 (Rosie and Tian-Li) hosted the garden games and Year 6 and our senior pupils loved the pop up photo booth. The gorgeous weather together with fun and friendship made for a wonderful afternoon of fun!





Speech Day

On Friday 5 July we held our annual Speech Day and Prize Giving, the perfect opportunity to celebrate the many achievements and successes of our pupils throughout the year.

The pupils put on wonderful performances, entertaining the audience of friends and family with instrumentals, lots of singing, solos, and poems from our LAMDA pupils. 'Slipping Through my Fingers' by our Year 7 to 9 pupils was particularly impressive, as were the '7 Years & All of Me' by our Choir, and 'Titanium' by the Key Stage 3 band. Years 1 to 6 also entertained everyone with a medley from their recent Aladdin production.

The roles of responsibility for next year were handed out to deserving pupils by our leaving Head and Deputy.

Our guest speaker this year was Teresa Watts, the Pearly Queen of Clapton. Teresa lives in Loughton and is an ambassador for 3Food4U. She also runs a baby bank providing essentials including buggies, baskets, nappies, milk and much more.

It was a fantastic afternoon full of proud pupils, staff, friends and family. Congratulations to all of our prize winners!







Early Years Celebration of the Year

We had a fantastic afternoon on Friday celebrating the development of our Early Years children. The marquee was filled with energy as the children entertained us with an array of songs and percussion pieces.

The children enjoyed telling the audience of friends and family about their highlights of the year. Kindergarten were excited to tell everyone about their recent visit from the ice cream van and their favourite ice cream flavours.

Well done everyone, you should be very proud of what you have achieved this year!



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FOBS have kindly organised Doughies Pizza Making Kits for pupils and staff at Braeside School. We usually have these in the Autumn and Summer Term. Year 9 pupils offered to make up the kits according to the order and deliver to pupils and staff throughout the school.



A Message From FOBS

In the last month, FOBS have arranged another event with Doughie's Pizza which we hope you all enjoyed! Provided the winners medals for sports day and helped organise the Braeside Summer party.

We hope all the children had fun at the disco and enjoyed the face painting, photo booth and bouncy castle. We would like to thank all the parents who volunteered, your support is hugely appreciated and I think you will all agree this year's party was one to remember!

FOBS would like to wish everyone a great summer and we will be back in September for more updates and events to arrange!

