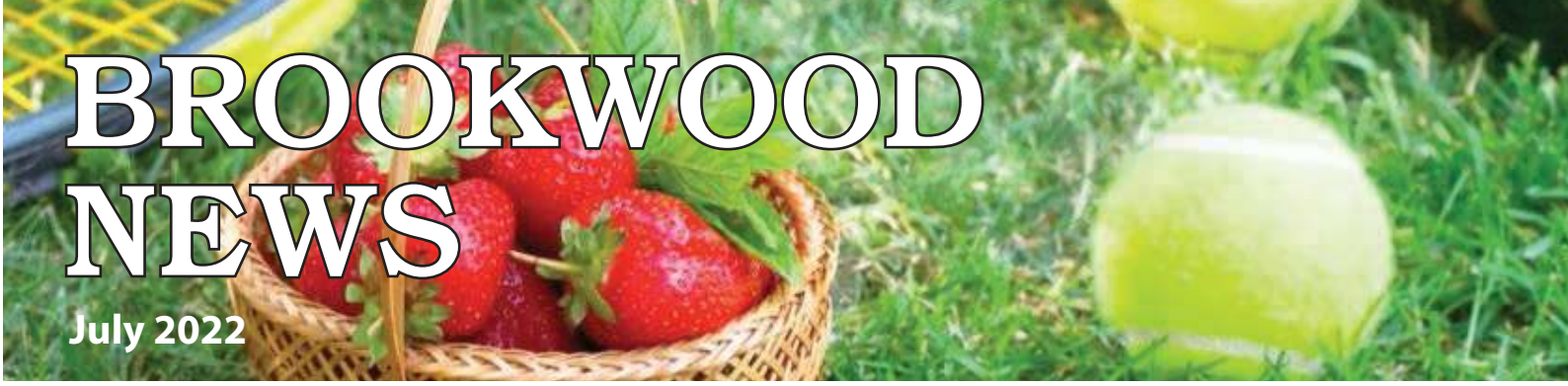


BROOKWOOD NEWS

July 2022

BROOKWOOD CELEBRATES!

It was wonderful to see so many Brookwood residents at the Memorial Hall celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Sunday 5 June. I arrived to see groups of people of all ages enjoying picnics, meeting up with old friends and making new ones, creating crowns and flags at the craft tables, and admiring the paintings from Brookwood Art Group. There were drinks, burgers, belly dancers, and dancing demonstrations. Business was bustling at the gin and beer tent, and the treasure trail was popular with adults and children alike. The afternoon ended with a good old sing-a-long and flag-waving session including Sweet Caroline and the National Anthem. Many thanks to all those who organised and helped at this great event, especially Am Conway, Louise Norris and the Memorial Hall committee.









'We ought to do this more often' we say, but it takes a great deal of work and organisation to put together an event. The halls are completely run by volunteers. If you came and enjoyed the party, please consider volunteering to join the management team at Brookwood Memorial Halls. Contact Louise at secretary@bmhalls.org.uk for more information.

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the July edition of Brookwood News. For once this year, the summer solstice was a warm and beautiful evening, and I hope you are enjoying your gardens and other summer activities. As their summer term continues, we are delighted that Brookwood School students have sent us their items and pictures to include, with news of what they have been doing over the past few months. The weather just about held off to enable a successful Brookwood School Fair on Saturday 19 June, with stalls, games and challenges. Everyone had great fun with an obstacle course, goal-scoring, a coconut shy, smashing crockery, and the face-painting corner was extremely popular judging by the lengthy queue. Although there are many worries facing us all at the moment, both locally and globally, I hope that our village will continue to provide some stability and reassurance that life can continue peacefully, knowing that supportive neighbours and friends are close at hand.

Yvonne Craven, Editor

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OUR TIME IN YEAR 6

Welcome to year 6, where lots of exciting learning takes place. Year 6 is the final year of primary school and we have the opportunity to be granted with the trust and responsibility of leading others. As a Year 6 pupil you could become a House Captain or a Sports Leader. These jobs not only require you to lead in sports, but they also ask you to take responsibility of delivering the registers and counting the house points weekly. This year, our teams have been phenomenal and incredibly supportive.

Have you ever wondered what it's like to be in Year 6 now that the pandemic is over? Well, whilst a typical day might always include maths and English lessons, we are fortunate enough to experience outdoor learning too. This may be in the form of Forest School sessions run by highly qualified Forest School teachers. We enjoy our foundation subject and have become experts when carrying out investigations.

This year we have been fortunate enough to visit the Light Box in Woking, pay our respects at the Brookwood Cemetery during Remembrance, and witness the Pass Off Parade at the Pirbright Barracks. We are looking forward to our residential trip to Sayers Croft at the end of the year.

P.E. lessons are excellent here at Brookwood. We are fortunate enough to have a fantastic sports coach, Danny. His enthusiasm and encouragement have helped us to achieve well this year and we shall miss him next year, alongside all our Brookwood teachers.

We have had a great time in year 6 and feel we are now ready to begin our new journey in secondary school.

Reported by Year 6 students



SCHOOL GARDEN

At Brookwood Primary School we are very fortunate to have a school garden. This is used to grow different fruits and vegetables throughout the year and is overseen by Mrs Coe. School pupils have many opportunities to help maintain the garden. This can be anything from raking up the leaves, to planting the next lot of seeds and bulbs. It is always considered a wonderful treat when this is shared amongst the pupils and staff. This teaches us life skills and about food. At the beginning of the academic year, we harvested runner beans, French beans, courgettes, garlic and sweet raspberries. Year 6 enjoyed the raspberries, but the beans and courgettes were given to the staff and parents of the school.

Reported by Year 6 Pupils







JUST MOVE 2022

In May 2022, for two weeks, we participated in a sporting event to get fit. The whole of Brookwood School took part and started to exercise as much as they could, in and outside of school, by running, walking, cycling or swimming. We raised approximately £4000. This money was contributed to help improve our library. The event was led by our P.E. coach, Danny. In our P.E. sessions we were running laps around our outside area. The teachers had a 100 metre relay race, and Mr Fookes' team won. At the end of the Just Move event every child was awarded a medal designed by year 6 student Lidia. Everyone had lots of fun during these two weeks.

Reported by year 6 students Jack and Luca

YEAR 5 & 6 LEAVERS' PRODUCTION

One of the annual events at Brookwood Primary School is the Year 5 & 6 production. It is always full of high-quality acting, beautiful singing and top-quality entertainment. This year, the children are putting on a show that is a twist on the classic story of Robin Hood. It is called Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies, with Mrs Coe and Mrs Baxter as our main directors. Rehearsals are now in full swing as we edge closer to the penultimate day. The stage is up, the costumes are coming together, and props have been made. The children are super excited to be able to perform again and are looking forward to bringing the community together. We would like to wish all the Year 5 & 6 pupils the best of luck.

PLATINUM JUBILEE

On the 24 May 2022 it was the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, to celebrate her being on the throne for 70 years. And, like many schools across the country, Brookwood Primary School made the most of the festivities. We celebrated in style, making and wearing crowns and eating delicious food. We had a special Platinum Jubilee lunch, roast beef and Yorkshire puddings. Our pudding was a tasty shortbread crown cookie, decorated with gems. Children had the opportunity to learn all about the Queen's coronation all those years ago, and the impact it had on our country. It is always interesting to have opportunities to learn the history behind these events to help us understand the importance to so many. Brookwood Primary School looks forward to having the opportunity to celebrate many jubilees in the future.





YARN BOMBING





Knitting has become so popular again and, instead of knitting jumpers and socks for practical reasons, I am amazed to see what can be created by talented and dedicated knitters. Everyone stopped in their tracks, or crossed the road to see the wonderful knitted Queen on top of the post box by the station. This was a group effort by the WI who planned and carried out the 'yarn bombing' over several months. The knitted Queen has faced baking heat and torrential rain, but still looks fresh and is a good likeness! Go and take a look before she disappears.

Also over Jubilee weekend, a wonderful crocheted crown appeared in church, and was then later transported to the Memorial Hall, where it sat splendidly arrayed on top of a pretend postbox. The crown was created by Jo Birkby, who runs her own business crocheting all kinds of animals and other gift items. You can see more of her work by searching Fresh Off the Hook, Beautifully Handmade.

RACE FOR LIFE – TEAM SARAH AND EMMA

Emma and I are doing a 5k Race for Life in support of Cancer Research and for my dad and godfather, Roger and Joe, who are both fighting their own battles at the moment. We wanted to do our bit to show our support for them and to raise as much money as we can for this important charity. We are running on Sunday 26 June at Blackheath near London. Any donations are gratefully received. Every single pound you donate makes a difference to cancer research so if you can help, we'd be very grateful. https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/team-sarah-and-emma

Sarah James

PIRBRIGHT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY SHOW

This will take place on Saturday 30 July in Lord Pirbright's Hall, 2.30–5.30pm. Entry is free for members and children, £1 for non-members. Refreshments will be available, along with Pirbright Country Market, Pirbright Art Club, Pirbright Historians, a plant sale and raffle. The Waffle Wagon will be close by. Please contact 01483 473737 or email philipbarralet@gmail.com if you would like a show schedule. Entry forms should be taken to the Clubroom of Lord Pirbright's Hall between 7 and 8pm on Monday 25 July. No late entries will be accepted on the day of the show. Do come along and enter if you can.

Our recent plant sale was a great success. Many thanks to all those who donated plants and helped over the weekend. The next monthly meeting will be on 12 July at 8pm in the Clubroom of Lord Pirbright's Hall, when Elizabeth Barralet will be demonstrating floral art.

SURREY WI FEDERATION

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PRESENT

A VIRTUAL TOUR OF BROOKWOOD CEMETERY WITH NARRATIVE ON ITS HISTORY AND ITS RESIDENTS

Date ~ Wednesday 7th September 2022

Time ~ arrive 7pm for 7.30pm start

Venue ~ The Chapel, North Side, Brookwood Cemetery.

Admission ~ £ 10

(Includes a glass of wine or other on entry, and tea / coffee, cake at the end of the presentation)

Booking essential

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