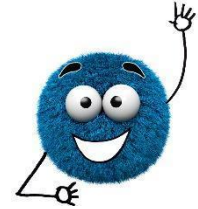


# Welcome to Brookhurst School Association!



## What is the BSA?

Brookhurst School Association (BSA) is the parent- teacher association of Brookhurst Primary School. Its aims are to improve school life for Brookhurst children by organising fun events and raising funds for resources that support their learning.

Every parent or carer of a child at Brookhurst and every member of staff is automatically a member of the BSA. Any member is welcome to attend a meeting. As a registered charity, we have nominated trustees and an elected committee.

## What kind of events does the BSA organise?

Last academic year was more challenging than most but we continued to raise funds throughout with the following events: Fireworks and Easter Trails, The opportunity to turn children's artwork into Christmas cards, Pre-loved uniform sales ( £1 per logo item), Virtual School Disco's, Virtual Pub Night in, Take out Curry Night delivered direct to your door, Video messages from Santa, a Read-a-thon and various fancy dress days.

During a normal academic year the BSA also organises several big events including a huge Bonfire Night display, A Quiz night and a Summer Fair. We also organise an annual welcome event for all foundation parents in the Autumn term, which we hope to organise again for our Sept 2022 intake.

## How does the BSA spend the money it raises?

School staff put in requests for BSA funds or parents may suggest ideas themselves. Last year we funded items to help the school with making social distancing easier for pupils and resources to support Year 6's transition to secondary school. In recent years we have updated the play equipment on both the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 playgrounds.

In the past the BSA has also paid for:

- A visit for the whole school from the author Andy Seed to tie in with children's reading and writing
- Over £1,000 of books
- A subscription to the children's weekly newspaper First News
- A new sports kit for children to wear when representing the school
- New defibrillator pads for the defibrillator based in the school
- Off the page history workshops, which bring key historical events to life for the children
- A shed and various supplies such as planters, mini brooms, compost, mini trowels and forks for the Foundation outdoor space
- Christmas crackers for the children's school Christmas dinner

and lots of other smaller things like ingredients to make apple crumble and resources to make tie-dye t-shirts!!

We have also recently paid for two of the teaching staff to become fully Forest School Trained who are now sharing their knowledge and providing forest school sessions with the children across all year groups within our school grounds. A key project for us currently is to raise funds to help revamp the school library space.

## How can I get involved with the BSA?

Like our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/brookhurstschoolassociation](http://www.facebook.com/brookhurstschoolassociation) and interact with our posts to keep us in your newsfeed.

Email us at [brookhurstschoolassociation@gmail.com](mailto:brookhurstschoolassociation@gmail.com) and ask to be added to our mailing list.

Read our monthly BSA newsletter, attend a meeting or respond to one of our volunteer requests.

Shop through easyfundraising and raise money every time you do your regular online shopping: [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/brookhurst-school-association](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/brookhurst-school-association).

Sign up to Amazon Smile: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/514907-0>

Buy your labels for school items via:

Stampastic - [https://stampastic.co.uk/pages/school-welcome#a\\_aid=5ec54509ce4fb](https://stampastic.co.uk/pages/school-welcome#a_aid=5ec54509ce4fb)

Stikins - enter code 2943 for the BSA to receive a commission - <https://www.stikins.co.uk/>

See if your workplace offers match funding and nominate the BSA to receive the funds.

Donate money directly to the BSA via the monthly boost scheme – details in book bags in September.