

# Brookwood Banner

January 2024

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## LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

As a Leadership Team, we would like to wish you and your families a Happy New Year! We trust you were able to enjoy quality family time during the break.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks and gratitude to our families for giving generously to the Kinettes' Christmas Hampers through our "Coins for Christmas" drive in December. Thank you Brookwood families for donating \$890.95. We appreciate it so much!

We are grateful for the opportunities we have had to share the Christmas spirit with our school community during the month of December. In our Christian Program, Woodhaven joined us for a Joint Christmas Chapel. Our students were so excited to participate in Christmas songs and readings. At different times throughout December, it was so beautiful to hear Christmas songs and carols throughout the hallways of Brookwood. And of course, we hope you enjoyed our many Christmas Concerts ... featuring your children! Thank you Mrs. Gottenbos for your leadership in celebrating Christmas with our families!

As we head into the New Year - 2024 ... let's remember to be grateful for our many blessings!

On behalf of the staff at Brookwood School, we would like to thank you for the privilege of working with your children! We look forward to your continued partnership.

Karen Stride-Goudie  
Principal

Rosanne McIntyre  
Assistant Principal

# JANUARY NOTES

## DISNEY DAY

Friday, January 26, 2024 Disney themed dress-up



Chapel  
Friday, Jan 19 @ 9:00 a.m.  
Praying Parents to follow  
Chapel



**Report Cards go ONLINE**

**January 30th at 3:30pm**

\*You can access the report card through the Powerschool parent portal  
Call the office if you require help with the parent portal.

# SAFETYNOTES

## SCHOOL REMINDERS

**Some of our students and staff have life-threatening allergies to nuts and nut products. Therefore, our school is “NUT-AWARE”.**

**We are asking for your help and cooperation in ensuring our school continues to be safe by not sending any nut products to the school. Thank you in advance for your commitment to our safety!**

### Pick-Up/Drop-Off Safety Reminder:

The bus lane in front of the school is reserved for buses and maintenance vehicles from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm daily. Please do not enter the bus lane during this time.

The main through lane in the parking lot is a DROP and GO lane. Parents are expected to remain in their vehicles. Your child will walk from your car to the school with the assistance of staff in safety vests. Vehicles in the bus lane and unattended cars in the drop-and-go block flow and create hazards to the safety of our students.

Please park in the guest parking area or the overflow lot if you wish to walk your child to their door or to the main entrance. Additionally, please note there are three reserved parking stalls in the staff lot. Please do not park in these stalls at any time throughout the day. **Students will be dismissed from their homerooms and exit through their designated doors at 3:05 p.m.**

- Parents/Guardians picking up students at school will be asked to wait outside the school.
- We would appreciate your assistance to ensure that all of our Brookwood students are safe and accounted for at the end of the school day. Here's how you can help:
  - Please ensure that your children meet you and stay with you at the end of the school day.
  - Please do not allow your children to play on the playground & swings prior to Bus Dismissal at 3:15.

### VOLUNTEERS AND VISITORS

- We are happy to welcome volunteers at Brookwood School this year!
- For safety reasons, volunteers and visitors - are required to check-in at the office.
  - Our office staff are always happy to help you!

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### Dogs on Property

As much as we all enjoy pets, we ask that you keep your dog at home or away from the playground and general school population during school hours. For the safety of our students and your pet, distance is key.

Due to allergies and safety, pets cannot be brought inside Brookwood School, so we kindly ask that you please not bring your animals inside the school or on school property at any time. This includes both big and small dogs.

If you do walk your dog to school to meet your children after school, please kindly wait near the north fence by the bus loop entrance or on the east side of the fence near the alleyway. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter!

**As the weather changes and winter gear is coming out please make sure you are clearly marking your child's gear with student names or initials as we have many identical jackets, footwear etc.**



**Did you know that Brookwood School Association and Cobs have partnered together as a fundraising option??**

Anytime you stop in mention you're with Brookwood school and a percentage of your purchase will be donated back to the school to help with the outdoor classroom.

# MARK THESE DATES

Jan 8th - First Day Back at School

Jan 9th - Grade 4 Skiing

Jan 9th - School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Jan 11th - Hot Lunch - Pizza 73

Jan 17th - Hot Lunch - Boston Pizza

Jan 18th & Jan 19th - Grade 2 Hands on Science

Jan 19th - Chapel & Praying Parents 9:00 a.m.

Jan 22nd - Grade 4 Skiing

Jan 24th - School Performance - Three Hat Circus

Jan 25th - Hot Lunch - Jacks

Jan 26th - Disney Day

Jan 30rd - Kinders T/Th - Puppet Treehouse

Jan 30th - Report Card #1

Jan 31st - Kinders M/W - Puppet Treehouse

Jan 31 - Hot Lunch - Subway

# NUMERACY CORNER

Did you know that playing card or board games can improve and strengthen your child's math skills while also creating valuable family bonding time?!



Read the following article to  
find out more!

**“Family game nights boost children's math skills, 20 years of studies suggest”**  
**CTV News - "Family Game Night Boosts Children's Math Skills"**

**\*Each month here, we will share an easy math game for you and your child to play:**

## **“Salute”**

### **Materials Needed:**

Deck of cards with face cards taken out  
3 people

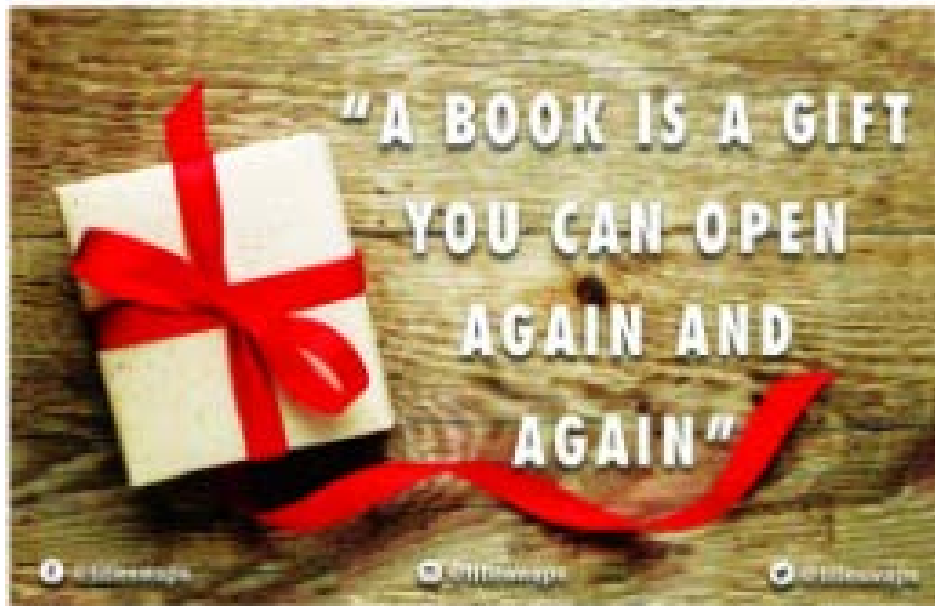
**Objective:** To reinforce addition/subtraction or multiplication/division

### **Instructions:**

1. Player #1 and Player #2 sit facing one another, with the deck of cards between them. Player #3 sits off to the side so that he/she can see both players' faces.
2. Player #1 and #2 each pick up a card, and without looking at it, place it on their foreheads. They can see what each other has, but they do not know which card they are holding.
3. Player #3 (who can see both cards) mentally adds the cards together and says the sum (or product) out loud. For example, if Player #1 is holding a 6 and Player #2 is holding a 10, Player #3 says “16.”
4. Once Player #3 has said the sum out loud, Players #1 and #2 each try to figure out what card he/she is holding. So if the sum is 16, and Player #1 can see that Player #2 is holding a 10, he can perform a mental subtraction equation to figure out what he has ( $16-10=6$ ). The first player to correctly state which card they are holding keeps both cards. The player with the most cards at the end of the game wins.

<https://shelleygrayteaching.com/salute-a-great-math-fact-card-game/>

# LITERACY CORNER



- \* Snuggle up and spend time reading books together. Children love being read to at any age!
- \* Remember to visit your local library to have your child pick some books to bring home and read over and over. Library memberships are free!!