

# Brooklands Bulletin

6th March 2015



**Brooklands Farm**  
Primary School  
Weaving a learning journey

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## Term Dates:

**Spring (2) term ends 26th March (25th March for Nursery)**

**Inset Day 27th March**

**Easter Break 30th March—10th April**

**Summer (1) term begins 13th April**

**Bank Holiday Monday 4th May**

**Summer (1) term ends 22nd May (21st May for Nursery)**

**Half Term Break 25th-29th May**

**Summer (2) term begins 1st June**

**Inset Day 22nd June**

**Summer (2) ends 22nd July (21st July for Nursery)**

## Dates for your diary:

**Red Nose Day: Friday 13th March**

**Inset Day: Friday 27th March**

**Easter Holiday Club: Mon 30th March to Thursday 2nd Apr**

**May Holiday Club: Tue 26th May to Fri 29th May**

**Year 6 Residential: Mon 1st—Fri 5th June 2015**

**Year 5 Residential: Wed 1st – Fri 3rd July 2015**

## Tell Me Tuesday

**This week's Tell Me Tuesday question is:**

**On a scale of 1 to 5, I understand restorative justice.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are looking forward to seeing you all at parents evening next week. There is quite a lot of change in our school system at the moment and the senior leaders will be available to discuss and consult about any queries you have. Equally, as we grow to be two schools we will have to adapt some of our policies. Over the next few weeks we will put consultations about the changes on the website and will listen carefully to your responses. Each time a consultation is added we will inform you on the bulletin. You will find it in the parents area of the website. The page will be called 'Turning Listening Into Action'.

I am going to start a blog as of this week. You can find the Headteachers Blog on the website within Our School, under the 'About Us' section.

<http://brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk/category/headteachers-blog/#>

My aim is to share with you on a weekly basis how the school is growing and how I am managing this growth.

Kind regards,

Maxine Low

## Community groups that meet at Brooklands Farm

**Mondays:** Mums & Tots 8:45-11:15

**Tuesdays:** Child minders & Tots 8:45-11:15

**Wednesdays:** Polish Friends of Brooklands Farm 8:40-9:40

**Thursdays:** Mums & Tots 8:45-11:15

**Fridays:** Me Time 9:00-11:00. A fun group just for you! Try something different, make friends and find your creativity. Childcare is available but should be booked in advance as places are limited.

To report an absence please phone the school office on 01908 760081 (option 1) by 9am. Alternatively, you may report an absence via the website: <http://brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk/reporting-absence/#>

Care Club contact number (available during the hours of 4-6pm): 07756 564509

## Latest News

**Parents Evening:** Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 10th March and Thursday 12th March. If you have not booked your appointment we will allocate a time for you. Please be aware you should book only 1 time slot per child. This is to allow class teachers to meet with each child's family.

**Nursery Allocations:** We are currently allocating places for Nursery for September 2015. Please be patient whilst we work through this process.

**World Book Day:** Thank you for the kind donations for International Book Aid. We will have a grand total for you next week.

**Red Nose Day:** Red Nose Day is Friday 13th March. This year we will be hosting a 'Make your face funny' day for Red Nose Day. We will be collecting £1 donations for coming to school with the funniest faces. We will also be collecting £2 for class photographs that we will be taking throughout the day.

**Breakfast Club/Care Club/After School Activities:** We now have a new email address for Care Club:

[careclub@brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk](mailto:careclub@brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk)

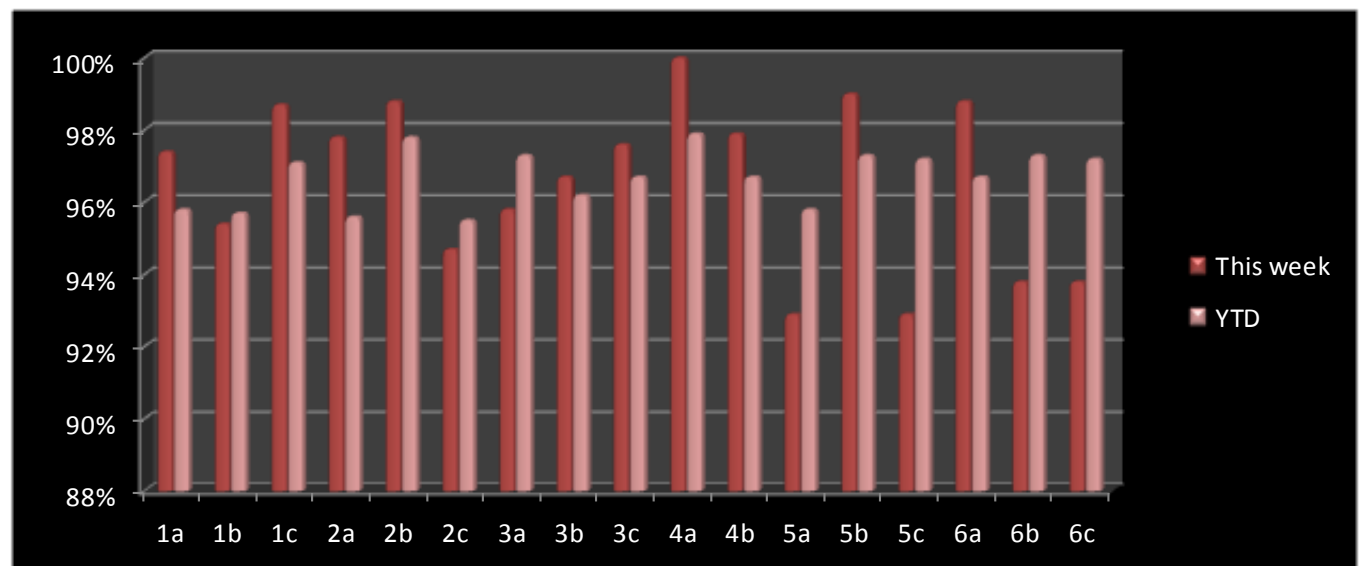
Please send all your breakfast club, care club and after school activity queries to this address.

**Car Park:** Please be aware of your speed in the school car park, using the one way system. Also, please be sure not to take up more than one space.

**No Smoking:** Please may we remind all parents that smoking is not permitted anywhere on the premises. This includes our school car parks.

## Attendance

The national expected level of attendance is 96.5%. We take attendance very seriously at Brooklands Farm and expect to achieve this level with your partnership. This week's attendance is:



### ***Pin Assemblies***

Pin assemblies will now be held in your child's classroom for a more personalised experience as we continue to grow. Parents/Carers are invited to attend but please sign in at Reception and then accompany your child to their classroom.

Children that have achieved their pins for week commencing 9th March are:

**Monday 9th Mar @ 8:40: F2 (Gold pin)** Francis A, Jeffrey K, Renee R, Kayhan M, Sophie M, Haniya A, William J **(Pink pin)** Amelia S, Catherine T,

**Wednesday 11th Mar @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green pin)** Dominika A, Ethan F, Michael O, Nihal H, Solomon C **Year 4 (Yellow pin)** Jack M, Amani K

**Thursday 12th Mar @ 8:40: Year 5 (Gold pin)** Thomas Z, Morgan L

**Friday 13th Mar @ 8:40: Year 1 (Gold pin)** Muhamed C **Year 2 (Blue pin)** Lola H, Kayda B, Shiven P



### ***In Our Community***

Upcoming local events:

**Lent Lunch** Tuesday 10th March 12noon—1pm at the Broughton Pavilion



### ***Brooklands Farm Friends (PTA)***

If you are interested in joining Brooklands Farm Friends please contact Sam Vernon at [samantha.vernon@sky.com](mailto:samantha.vernon@sky.com) for more details.



# Small School News

*Early Years*

**RED  
NOSE  
DAY**

**13 March 2015**

**Foundation 1** have enjoyed retelling the story *Walking Through the Jungle*. They have been painting animals and making a jungle out of the learning loft. Next week we will be beginning a new story, *Little Rabbit Foo Foo*.

Also, nursery will be open on Tuesday 10th March between 3:40 and 5:30 and then again on Thursday 12th March from 4-7pm for you to come and share their learning journeys again. Please talk to your child's key workers to check which day they are available.

## **Foundation 2**

We have continued to develop our learning based on *Dear Zoo* this week and have been very focused. We really enjoyed exploring our favourite books for World Book Day. You all looked AMAZING!

## *Infant School*

### **Year 1**

We have had an amazing time at the Shuttleworth Collection. The children all showed us exemplary Brooklands Farm behaviour. The children enjoyed learning all about the different types of planes. Their favourite plane was the red shiny racing plane.

### **Year 2**

This week we ignited the children's learning with a fruit and vegetable tasting session! The children were all excited to try both familiar and unfamiliar foods and wrote some amazing descriptive sentences as a result!

## *Lower Junior*

**Year 3** have begun their super hero project and are investigating forces. Next week they will be carrying their research by conducting surveys in the school to see what people want from a super hero. They will be using graphs to collate their information and interpreting it to use when they create their superhero comic strip.

## *Upper Junior*

**Year 5** had a fantastic time reigniting their Harry Potter project by watching some clips from the films and eating popcorn! We are now ready to start creating our final product. We also had a great time dressing up for World Book Day and enjoyed some book related and reading activities.

**Year 6** have had a strong and powerful revision week. We had a fantastic assembly from the NSPCC and we followed this up by having an hours workshop with them. Please see the website for any photos.