

Brooklands Bulletin

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Brooklands Farm
Primary School
Weaving a learning journey

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Term Dates:

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

2015/2016

Autumn (1) term begins 7th
September

Dates for your diary:

Walking with Giants Community Festival: Wed 15th July, 5-6pm

End of Term Disco: Thurs 16th July
(Transition Year Groups)

F2 & Yr 1 @ 5:30pm-6:15pm

Yr 2 & Yr 3 @ 6:30pm-7:30pm

Yrs 4, 5, 6 & 7 @ 7:45pm-8:45pm

Year 6 Leavers Assembly: Wed 22nd
July at 4:30pm

Curriculum Teas: w/c 14th Sept

Tell Me Tuesday

We would like to thank you for all the feedback you've kindly provided us with throughout the school year.

We will have more questions ready for you in September!

I've spent some time in the classrooms this week and I was impressed with how well the children have settled in and are coping with change. I have even seen some children in learning zone 5!

We have a busy week ahead. Next Wednesday is our Walking with Giants Community Festival from 5-6pm. Children in transition year groups 2-7 will stay in school from 3:30-5pm. Children transition year groups Foundation 2 and Year 1 should be collected as normal at 3:30pm but please do join us again at 5pm for the performance as they have been practising songs.

We all just have to cross our fingers for dry weather now!

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

Take One Picture Project: Years 3 and 4 are looking for families who lived in this area before our school was built that would be willing to come in to do a question and answer session with them about how the landscape has changed and what this has meant to them. Please contact the front office if you can help with this.

Foundation Playground: May we kindly ask that when passing through the Foundation play area in the morning that you not allow children to play with the equipment so that it is ready for the day's learning?

School Dinners: We are moving to an online ordering system for school dinners. If you have not already registered please do so at <https://mealordering.bluerunner.co.uk/> as there will no longer be a paper option for ordering meals come September. When registering, please tick the box to receive updates as you will not be able to add children, select our school and their class until 1st August. By ticking this box, it will enable you to receive an email prompt from Chartwells to then add children and their class on that date.

Year 3 Swimming: Just a reminder that Monday swimmers will have their final lessons on Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th July to make up for those sessions missed due to bank holiday and inset day. Please may we ask that swim kits stay in school overnight on Monday so that they have them ready for the next day? We can hang them to dry in the classrooms.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly: An assembly will be held for our Year 6 leavers and their families on Wednesday 22nd July at 4:30pm.

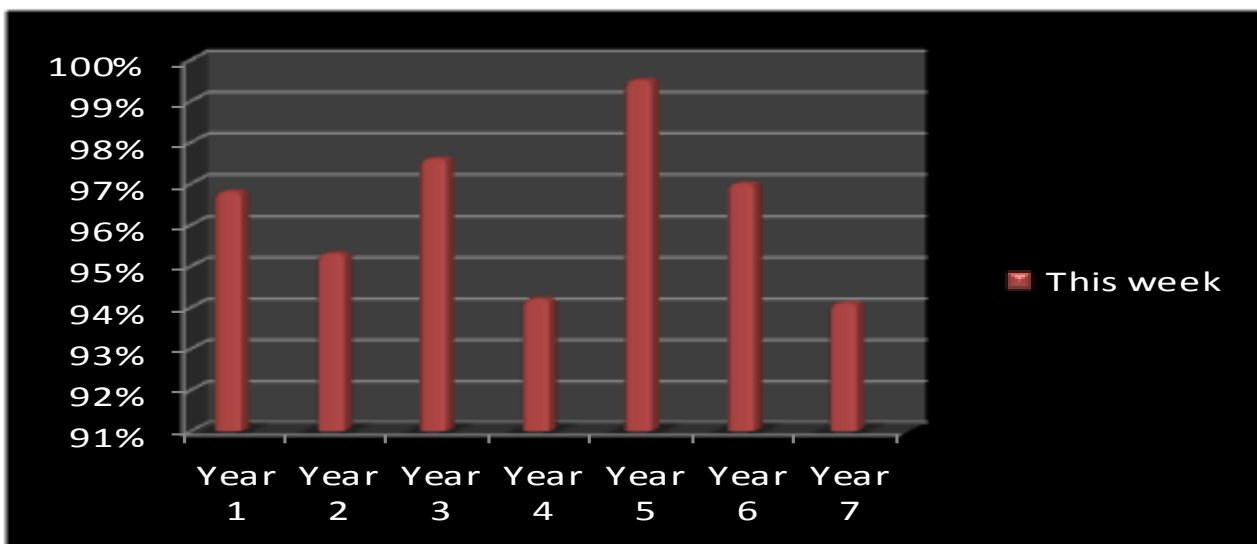
End of Term Disco: The PTA will be hosting a disco on Thursday 16th July. Children should be dropped off via the care club entrance at their designated year group time. Collection will be from the fire exit doors in the hall. Please adhere to this one-way system for the safety of the children.

Lost Property: As the we near the end of the school year, the lost property continues to grow. Please take some time to go through the lost property located in the cross corridor, near the playground doors. Named items have been placed on a red trolley. Any items left will be discarded.

Summer Holiday Club: Summer Holiday Club will run for the first four weeks of Summer—week commencing 27th July through week commencing 17th August. Booking forms will be available nearer the time.

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

As children will be in their new year groups starting Monday, please contact school to arrange a convenient time for pin assembly with the teacher they achieved their pin/ribbon with.

Children that have achieved their pins this week are:

Foundation 2 (Gold pin) Oliver N **(Pink pin)** Sarina Louie S, Leah B, Sakina S, Aleeza S, J Wray, Taylor D, Sophie M, Kayhan M, Mia W

Year 2 (Blue ribbon) Max F, Milo L, Lola H, Isaac H-S



In Our Community

Broughton Fire Station Open Day

Sunday 26th July, 1-4pm @ Broughton Fire Station

Teddy Bears Picnic

Thursday 30th July, 11:30am-2pm @ Broughton Fields School Grounds

Family Olympics & Picnic

Tuesday 4th August, 12-2pm @ Broughton Fields School Grounds

St Lawrence Open Day & Picnic

Sunday 9th August 11am-4pm @ St Lawrence Church

Family Fun Day

Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 19th & 26th August, 10am-12pm

Little Amigos Parent & Toddler Group

Every Friday, 9:30-11:30am @ Broughton Pavilion

MK Play Association

Every Friday during school holidays, 10am-12:30pm @ Broughton Fields School Grounds



Brooklands Farm Friends (PTA)

Brooklands Farm Friends are in need of volunteers for the end of term disco on Thursday 16th July, please contact Sam Vernon at samantha.vernon@sky.com for more details or visit their Facebook page.



Small School News



Early Years

Foundation 1 have been visiting their new teachers in their new classrooms this week. The children are becoming a lot more familiar with their new surroundings and beginning to know the rest of their new class friends. We have also been working hard exploring our pirate theme. The children have been creating some amazing boat designs to test out in the water tray to see if they sink or float!

Infant School

Year 1 have had a fantastic week settling in to our new classrooms and getting to know each other. We have learned a lot about 5 for change and how to stay connected. Although everyone is very tired, we have already begun to see the signs of 'determined' year ones! Well done everyone, see you next week!

Year 2 have settled really well and are starting to understand the importance of 'Calm'. We have been busy building new relationships with our new classes and our new teachers. We look forward to the rest of transition time.

Lower Junior

Year 3 have settled very well into their new classrooms and environments. They have loved joining KS2 and are starting to combine their calm with the year 3 balance. We have focussed on our whole school project this week where we have looked at Art work from the National Gallery and compared its landscape to what is outside our classroom window. We look forward to taking our project further next week and meeting the farmer who used to own the land here at Brooklands Farm.

Year 4

We have settled in to our new year groups well! The children have been brilliant throughout the change and have supported each other through the transition. We are really proud of their achievements and behaviour!

We have enjoyed exploring the Take One Picture project and are excited about the potential of our work being in the National Gallery.

We hope you all have a restful weekend!

Upper Junior

Year 5 have been coping with change and the transition into their new classes really well and are eager to start becoming 'Individuals'! As well as getting to know each other and our new year group expectations, we have started our 'Take One Picture' project. This is a project with the National Gallery in London, using the painting 'Mr and Mrs Andrews' by Thomas Gainsborough to inspire our learning. So far, we have looked at the relationship between the couple in the portrait, made a 'recipe for a successful relationship' and thought about what portraits represent, why they are painted and how they have changed over time. We look forward to delving into the landscape part of the painting and looking closely at the history of the Brooklands Farm next week.

Year 6 have been thinking carefully about what strong and powerful learners look like this week. They are looking forward to ticking off the strong and powerful behaviours on their year 6 target cards!

Year 7

It has been fantastic to see how responsible year 7 have been this week. They have been working on a variety of projects with different teachers around the school based on PSHE, photography, Maths problem solving and Art. We have all been very impressed with the art that they have produced about our school that will be displayed next week.