

# Brooklands Bulletin



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## Term Dates:

2015/2016

Spring (1) term ends 12th February

Half Term Break 15th-19th February

Spring (2) begins 22nd February

Spring (2) ends 24th March (23rd March for Nursery)

Easter Break 25th March-8th April

Inset Day Monday 11th April

Summer (1) term begins 12th April

Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May

Summer (1) term ends 27th May

Half Term Break 30th May—3rd June

Summer (2) term begins 6th June

Summer (2) term ends 21st July (20th July for Nursery)

2016/2017

Autumn (1) term begins 5th Sept

Autumn (1) term ends 21st Oct

Half Term Break 24th—28th Oct

Inset Day Monday 31st October

Autumn (2) term begins 1st Nov

Autumn (2) term ends 16th Dec (15th December for Nursery)

Christmas Break 19th Dec—2nd Jan

Inset Day Tuesday 3rd January

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please book your parents evening appointment if you have not already done so. Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 8th March from 3:50-5:30pm and Thursday 10th March from 3:50-7:30pm for children at both Countess Way and Fen Street in Foundation 2 through Year 6.

Please visit <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/> and enter event code **WAFZ3**.

To celebrate World Book Day we will be having two dress up days our first week back; on Monday 29th February dress up as your favourite book character and on Friday 4th March come dressed in your pyjamas and dressing gown ready to snuggle down with your favourite book.

Well done to our Year 5&6 dodgeball team, last night they placed 2nd, putting them through to the finals!



The final day to submit comments about the proposed wheeled sports facility at Brooklands in next Tuesday 16th February. The questionnaire and drawings of the concept ideas are available on our website under Community > Local Community Events. Your views very are important. The skate park located on Broughton Gate created quite a stir when it opened, be sure to have your say. Email your comments to: [BrooklandsWSF@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:BrooklandsWSF@milton-keynes.gov.uk)

Have a restful half term break, see you all back on Monday 22nd February.

The cut-off for ordering school dinners for week commencing 29th February is:

**9am, Thursday 25th February**

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/#>

## Latest News

**Deadline for Nursery Applications:** The closing date for nursery applications is Monday 29th February.

**Head Lice:** Head lice can be quite tricky to treat due to the time-consuming and precise nature of treatment and high re-infestation rate. However, by regularly checking/combing your child's hair you can spot head lice at the very first sign and treat them more effectively.

**Year 5 Ignite:** Unfortunately, Year 5's stone age - iron age ignite we had planned for this week had to be rescheduled. It will now take place on Thursday 10th March, apologies for any confusion this may have caused. Children will need to come to school in their costumes, wearing their accessories they made for homework on that day.

**Year 3a, 3b, 3c Ignite:** Just a reminder that 3a, 3b and 3c will have their ignite day the first day back after half term on Monday 22nd February, children should come to school dressed as Victorians.

**Residential Payments:** Both the Year 5 residential and Year 6 residential will be going ahead as planned, please continue to make your payments via the front office.

**Donations Needed:** The Reading Team are need of donations to help them create some exciting reading spaces. If you have any unwanted old sheets, fairy lights, strong boxes, picture frames, cushions and throws they would be very grateful if you could bring those in after half term.

**Nursery Donations Needed:** Fen Street nursery's new topic when we get back is called - 'walking through the jungle' the children are going to be busy searching for animals, if you could please save all your empty toilet rolls and bring them in after half term, we would be ever so grateful! Also, if you have any old materials of any sort we would be very grateful of your donations as this really helps us recreate small world areas to really help our little ones with their role play and understanding. Many thanks from the Fen Street nursery team.

**Community Notice Board:** Mrs Levet has created a community notice board by the playground doors, located in the cross corridor at Fen Street. Please stop by to have a look at what's happening in our community.

**Fen Street Lost Property:** Any unclaimed, unnamed lost property we have collected this half term will be donated on Wednesday 24th February. Please come have a look at the trolley for any items your child may be missing before then.

**ParentPay:** We are no longer using the ParentMail system for communications. Please activate your ParentPay accounts if you have not already done so. Speak to the front desk if you are wanting a second contact to be added.

## Dates for Your Diary

**Upcoming Sports Festivals:** Year 3 & 4 Netball – 24th March, Tennis – 17th May

Year 5 & 6 Netball – 3rd March, Rugby – 16th March, Rounders – 12th May, Tennis – 13th May, Cricket – 8th June

**Parents Evening:** Tuesday 8th March, 3:50-5:30pm and Thursday 10th March, 3:50-7:30pm.

**World Book Day:** Monday 29th February - dress up as your favourite book character. Friday 4th March - come dressed in your pyjamas and dressing gown; ready to snuggle down with your favourite book.

**Year 6 Residential:** 20th-24th June, New Barn

**Year 5 Residential:** 6th-8th July, The Caldecotte Xperience

## Tell Me Tuesday

Mrs Langford and Mrs Thelwell will be collecting your answers at drop-off on Tuesday at the school gates at Fen Street and Miss McShane at Countess Way. Results are now published on the school website.

Next week's Tell Me Tuesday question is:

On a scale of 1 to 5, do you feel your child's learning is personalised?

## Pin Assemblies

Pin assemblies will be held in your child's classroom. Parents/Carers are invited to attend, please sign in at Reception and then accompany your child to their classroom. If you cannot make the date below, please make arrangements with your child's class for another day.

Those children who have achieved their pin for assembly week commencing 22nd February are:

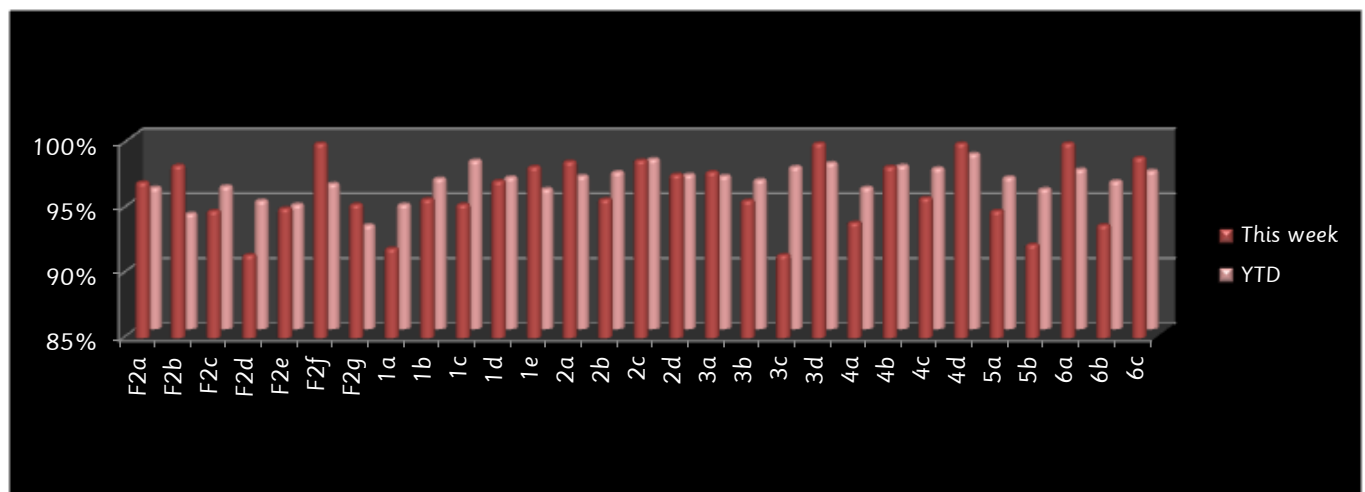
**Monday 22nd February: Foundation 2: (Gold Pin)** Harley M, Ben C, Alfie G, Aarav G, Marley Y, Oscar M, Summer D **(Pink Pin)** Freya M

**Thursday 25th February: Year 3: (Green Pin)** Juliana B, Zain K, Freya K, Kayda B, Aakriti J **Year 4: (Yellow Pin)** Muhammad S, Ayaan S, Jaimin T **Year 6: (Red Pin)** Rozalia Z, Aziza M, Olivia M **(Red Ribbon)** Cenyujia W, Millie B, Bailey S

**Friday 26th February: Year 1: (Orange Pin)** Oliver N, Noah F **Year 2: (Blue Pin)** Nimi A, Muhamed C, Rios B, Sandra S **(Blue Ribbon)** Dalitso M, Kendra E, Damien G, Kshitij D

## 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:



The winners of the attendance trophy this week are 3/4d, Mr Gray's class and 6a, Miss Snowdon's class both with 100% attendance! Congratulations!!!