# **Brooklands Bulletin**

## 12th June 2015



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Dear Parents/Carers,

The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust is holding a family Fun Day tomorrow, Saturday 13th June from 12-3pm in which the Brooklands Farm Choir will be performing. The event has been organised by the charity who supported our learning during brain week. As they supported us, in return I would urge as many members of our community to support them.

Thank you for helping us with the networks we are trying to develop.

We are excited about the transformation of our playgrounds with the arrival of new structures and surfaces this week, how fantastic it all looks!

On Thursday, we met with Chartwells, owners of Cygnet Foods to discuss their move to a new online ordering system for hot dinners. Watch this space for more information very soon!

Kinds 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

**Term Dates:** 

Inset Day 22nd June

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

2015/2016

Autumn (1) term begins 7th September

Dates for your diary:

Class Photos: Thu 18th June

Inset Day: Mon 22nd June

<mark>Sports Day</mark>: Fri 26th June @ 4pm -KS2

Sat 27th June @ 9am - KS1

<u>Year 5 Residential</u>: Wed 1st – Fri 3rd July 2015

Community Festival: Wed 15th July

<u>Transition</u>: w/c 29th June

<u>Transition Tea</u>: Tue 30th June @5pm—KS1 and Upper KS2

Thu 2nd July @5pm—Lower KS2

Tell Me Tuesday

This week's Tell Me Tuesday question is:

On a scale of 1 to 5, how accessible are our projects for home learning?

Last week's results:

58% of parents responded 4 and 5 for `How well do you understand assessment at Brooklands Farm?'

### Latest News

**Class Photographs:** A photographer will be in on Thursday 18th June to take class photos. Please ensure children are wearing full Summer uniform.

Transition Teas: Please mark your diaries for Transition Tea:

Key Stage 1 - Children transferring to Year 1 and Year 2 Tuesday 30th June @ 5pm

Upper Key stage 2 - Children transferring to Year 5 and Year 6 Tuesday 30th June @ 5pm

Lower Key Stage 2 - Children transferring to Year 3 and Year 4 Thursday 2nd July @ 5pm

Children will stay in school until 5pm when you join us for Transition Tea.

**Hay Fever:** Please be aware that we can only administer prescribed medications. If your child suffers from hay fever we cannot administer over the counter antihistamines. Keep in mind that we have open fields surrounding the school therefore it may be a good idea to keep an eye on the pollen count and dose your child accordingly. We find the following website quite useful: http://www.bbc.co.uk/weather/2642465

**Warmer Weather:** Now that the warmer weather has arrived, please be sure children have named sun hats, water bottles and sun cream applied on those sunny days.

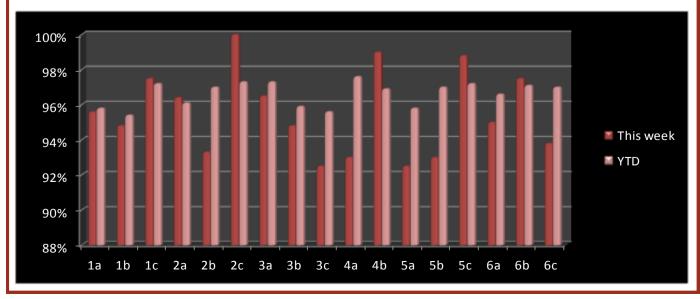
**Key Stage 2 Learning Clubs:** After school learning clubs will be continuing this half term. The final week of learning clubs will be the week commencing 29th June. If your child attended a learning club last half term, the day and teacher will remain the same.

**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.

**Talk2Me:** The cut-off date for ordering uniform to be delivered to school before we break for Summer is 1st July.

### 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 15th June are:

Monday 15th June @ 8:40: F2 (Gold pin) Sean M, Amelia H, Anna K (Pink pin) Haniya A, Henry S, Daniel D, Rehan K, Ewan M, Nicole C (Pink ribbon) Danielle D

Wednesday 17th June @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green ribbon) Noah H, Antosia Z, Lola G

Year 4 (Yellow pin) Eoin F, Kailash K, Natalia S (Yellow ribbon) Isabelle P, Jenna H

Thursday 18th June @ 8:40: Year 5 (Purple pin) Aiden C

Friday 19th June @ 8:40: Year 1 (Orange pin) Imogen M-P, Elysee N, Ahad Q, Harley B, Hibo M

Year 2 (Blue pin) Krishav P, Keiran B (Blue ribbon) Chloe L, Ben M-S



# In Our Community

Brooklands Farm Friends was nominated for a Community Gems Award for outstanding voluntary work in the community in which they raised more than £5000 for our school. Well done to everyone involved!



# Brooklands Farm Friends (PTA)

Brooklands Farm Friends will be meeting on **Thursday 18th June @ 7:30pm** please contact Sam Vernon at samantha.vernon@sky.com for more details.

# **Small School News**





#### Early Years

**Foundation 2** have had a wonderful couple of weeks exploring the belonging project. The children enjoyed their trip to the new school and have been designing their classrooms with the other year groups.

Next week we are moving on to a pirate project! We are really excited that, on Thursday we have a theatre company coming in to ignite and inspire us within our project. Keep an eye on the website for lots of photos.

You have probably noticed our new wonderful outside area. We have been working closely with the children about looking after it.

Please could you remind your children to keep their toys at home. Lots of children are bringing them in and they are getting damaged or lost.

### Infant School

**Year 1** have been busy making our models of our designs in which we shared with the clients (year 4) today. We hope they liked them!

**Year 2** have been doing lots of fun Twits activities this week. In maths we have continued to work on multiplication and division, using practical equipment and written methods to solve problems. There will only be one piece of homework this week due to an action packed week coming up which we would like the children to be relaxed for!

### Lower Junior

**Year 3** have been continuing to focus on belonging as part of our building project by designing and creating our areas for our client as well as reviewing and improving our designs with help from Willmott Dixon.

**Year 4** completed their designs for their clients 1b and 1c today and they looked fantastic! After lots of adjustments, they finally met their brief and have designed some truly innovative spaces. We have been really impressed by everyone's determination and creativity draft after draft, well done year 4!

#### **Upper Junior**

**Year 5** have become professional building designers this week! With a little help from some visits from Willmott Dixon, they have designed a new classroom for another year group in the school. Everyone has worked collaboratively to design the shape and size of a classroom (using Maths skills to calculate an appropriate area and perimeter) and have produced a mood board of colour and fabric schemes for specific areas of the classroom. After sharing their ideas with their clients, they have returned to the drawing board to re draft their work to include the suggestions made by their clients. All of Year 5 have taken on a growth mindset throughout this project, which has really helped them grow their learning.

**Year 6** have been writing persuasive texts to convince others to join our Brooklands Farm community. This is to go towards the whole school building project.

Some children were lucky enough to take part in Bikeability - and they absolutely loved it! It was a brilliant session which taught them how to ride safely on a bicycle in public areas, including on roads.