

Brooklands Bulletin

19th June 2015



Brooklands Farm

Primary School

Weaving a learning journey

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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:

Inset Day: Mon 22nd June

**Sports Day: Fri 26th June @ 4pm -
KS2**

Sat 27th June @ 9am - KS1

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

Community Festival: Wed 15th July

Transition: w/c 29th June

**Transition Tea: 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, do we do
enough to support charities?**

Last week's results:

**61% of parents responded 4 and 5
to 'How well do you understand
assessment at Brooklands Farm?'**

It has come to our attention that some children have been crossing Newport Road at the top of Fen Street instead of using the pelican crossing near our top gate on their way to school. We cannot express strongly enough how dangerous this is! Please share this with your children, especially those who walk or ride bikes/scooters to school themselves.

Also, please take care when crossing the staff car park entrance when collecting from after school club. This car park is still busy at that part of the day.

Children should have brought home a slip naming their Sports Day colour today. This should be the same colour they wore for Brain Week. If you have not received a Sports Day colour please inform Reception.

Have a great weekend and remember no school on Monday as it is a teacher training day.

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

*****Monday 22nd June is an Inset Day, no school for children that day*****

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.

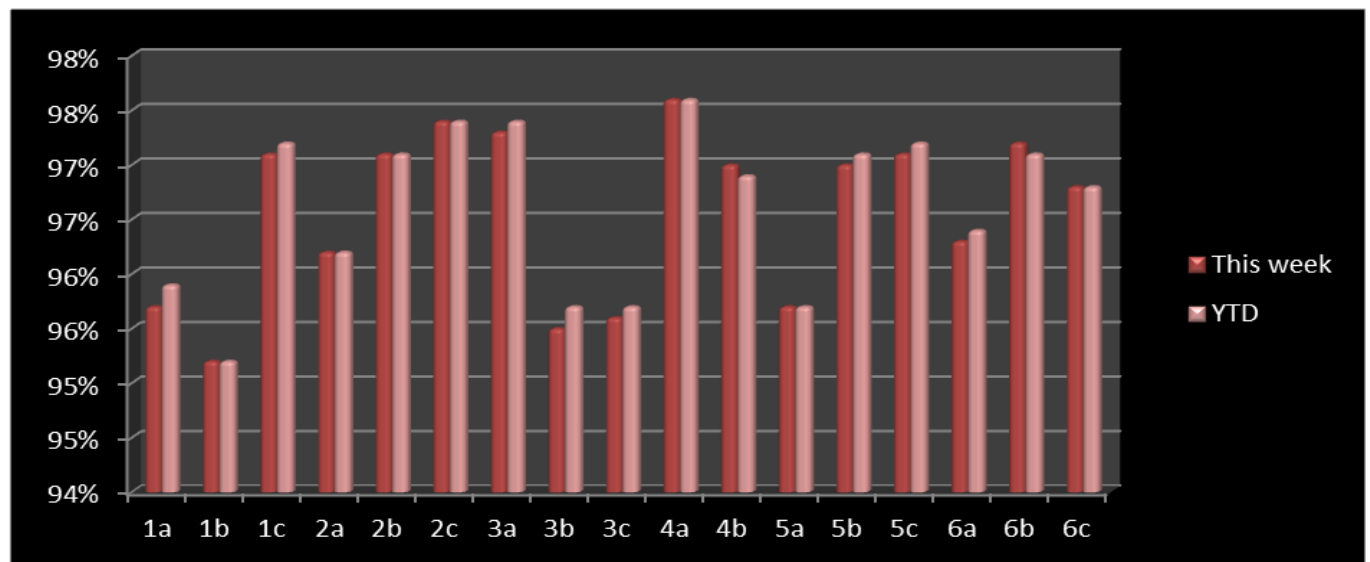
Key Stage 2 Learning Clubs: After school learning clubs will be continuing this half term. The final week of learning clubs will be the week commencing 29th June. If your child attended a learning club last half term, the day and teacher will remain the same.

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 23rd June are:

Tuesday 23rd June @ 8:40: F2 (Pink pin) Sarina L, Olivia B, David B, Ishaan P, Miami J, Noah F, Jack G

Wednesday 24th June @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green pin) Latish D-D, Krish P, Aidan K Myah L, Ariella R-T, Kurt C (Green ribbon) Josie P

Thursday 26th June @ 8:40: Year 5 (Purple pin) Szymon K, Poppy Y, Kaamil M, Carmel A, Beatrice O

Year 6 (Red pin) Mriidul R, Julia S, Maddison A

Friday 26th June @ 8:40: Year 1 (Orange pin) Mathys L, Wojtus, Elsie L, Max B-P, Sadie E, Mylee B, Shaynah S, Jayden B-S, Zahraa C, Leon M, Ethan L-M, Sammy C

Year 2 (Blue pin) Faizaan H, Taylor L (Blue ribbon) Millie B, Freya K



In Our Community

Cafe Church: Sunday 11am to 12.15pm @ Broughton Fields School

This week we have the Bishop of Buckingham coming so PLEASE come along! It will be the usual relaxed mix of stuff for adults and stuff for kids. As it is Father's day we have had to move out of the pub so we are in BROUGHTON FIELDS SCHOOL. There will also be bacon butties to entice the Dads along!

Knit, Natter & Sew: Monday 10am to 11.30am @ The Broughton (Pub)

Do you like to make things? Would you like to learn or share your crochet or knitting skills? Or do you simply like to chat! Knit, Natter & Sew is an informal group for anyone who likes to make things. Bring along what you are currently working on or join in knitting squares! No cost, just buy a cuppa and enjoy a few hours of good company.

Social Soup: Tuesday 12pm to 1pm @ Broughton Pavilion

Are you retired? Over fifty and at home without kids? Would you like to meet more people in your local area? Social Soup is a fortnightly group where you can enjoy some really good homemade soup and a roll (and occasional cakes!) all for £1.50. It is a chance to meet your neighbours and relax in a kid free space!

Volunteers Needed!

There are lots of events being planned for the school holidays, from Family Olympics to Family Fun Days, BUT to make them happen we need people who are free during the daytime in the week to volunteer. If you think you'd like to get involved then please contact Ruth Maxey for more information.



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 had an exciting week! Children have loved learning about dinosaurs, digging in the dinosaur excavation and wondering what might hatch out of the giant egg. We have also had our new flooring laid in our outdoor area and children have begun to play on this and the newly installed apparatus. Next week we will be continuing with our dinosaur theme and practising for sports day too.

Foundation 2 had a fantastic opportunity to go on a story hunt to create their own pirate story this week. It was exciting to find the treasure and figure out what the story could be about. The parrot was very naughty, too!

Infant School

Year 1 have been learning about the Tin Forest in our writing lessons this week. We have enjoyed learning and retelling the story.

Year 2 have had another great week! We had a drama workshop on Monday afternoon where the children created actions to match words to describe Mr Twit. On Wednesday, we had a football workshop where the children practiced using different parts of their foot to take skills. Yesterday, we had a walk to the new site! We were very excited to see inside the building and be part of a very exciting adventure that lies ahead! Thank you to all of our staff and parent helpers that walked with us - it was much appreciated!

Lower Junior

Year 3 have been looking at Greek architecture and the different materials which were used to build them. We are looking forward to using our knowledge to design a new school.

Year 4 have been learning about different architecture throughout history and how buildings represent the rights and beliefs of different people. We are planning on creating our own building next week in the style of eco-architecture. Well done Year 4 on working really hard this week!

Upper Junior

Year 5 have been exploring the history of architecture and have started to compare the features of art deco and art nouveau. We are looking forward to designing a school in one of these styles next week.

Year 6 enjoyed visiting our Countess Way campus this week as well as going to Oakgrove today for a lesson!