

# Brooklands Bulletin



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## Term Dates:

2015/2016

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

Spring (1) term begins 4th January

Spring (1) term ends 10th February

Half term break 13—17th February

Spring (2) term begins 20th Feb

Spring (2) term ends 31st March  
(30th March for Nursery)

Easter break 3rd April—17th April

Summer (1) term begins 18th April

Bank Holiday Monday 1st May

Dear Parents/Carers,

National offer day was Monday 18th April for those children starting school for the first time in September. **Places must be accepted no later than 2nd May 2016.** You can accept your child's place by logging into the portal on the local authority's website at [https://emsonline.milton-keynes.gov.uk/ccsenterprise\\_admissionsonline\\_live/default.aspx](https://emsonline.milton-keynes.gov.uk/ccsenterprise_admissionsonline_live/default.aspx).

This week, Year 5 took part in our second project with Volkswagen! The children worked in groups to create presentations to communicate how Brooklands Farm Primary School effectively builds communities and celebrates our wide range of cultures and ethnicities. The children spoke confidently and were able to answer any questions that were asked by the staff at Volkswagen. The VW staff commented on how passionate the children were about our school. Once again, they did us proud! Well done Year 5.



Next week is Mock SATs for Year 6. It will be our final practise before the SATs which are week commencing 9th May. Please ensure all children are present, punctual and well rested throughout next week.

Thank you for continued support.

Enjoy your weekend.

The cut-off for ordering school dinners for week commencing 3rd May is:

9am, Thursday 28th April

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

**Summer Uniform:** Just a reminder that our summer uniform consists of:

red or yellow checked summer dresses  
grey or black trousers/shorts with white polo top  
maroon embroidered jumper/cardigan  
black school shoes (no trainers, football boots or sandals)

As always, please be sure every item of uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

**A Taste of Music for 2016, Junior School Choirs:** The school choir will be taking part in a fund raising event for Willen Hospice at the Holiday Inn in Central Milton Keynes on Friday 20th May. Tickets are available at the front desk, £5 for adults, children under 12 are free. Please arrive at 6pm for 6:30-8:30pm performance.

**Broughton Cycling Group Sportive:** Broughton Cycling Group has become a significant and recognised part of the Broughton & Brooklands community with a lot of its members also being part of the Brooklands Farm family. They will be cycling 50 miles on Sunday 8th May in aid of Willen Hospice. If you would like to either take part in the event or volunteer to marshal the route please email [info@broughtoncyclinggroup.org](mailto:info@broughtoncyclinggroup.org)

**PTA Second Hand Uniform:** The PTA will be out again with second hand uniform to display every Thursday at morning drop-off at Fen Street.

**Fen Street Lost Property:** Any unclaimed, unnamed lost property from the Spring term will be discarded next Friday. Please come have a look through the lost property for any items your child may be missing before then.

**Fen Street Foundation 2 Donations:** The Foundation 2 team on Fen Street are looking for donations of any old fabrics, cushions and netting to help towards creating a new reading area environment as well as unwanted dressing up clothes. In addition, they are always in need of cereal boxes, egg cartons, bottle tops, newspapers, toilet roll tubes, shoe boxes, seeds, plant pots and soil.

## Dates for Your Diary

**Upcoming Sports Festivals:** Year 3 & 4 Tennis – 17th May

Year 5 & 6 Rounders – 12th May, Tennis – 13th May, Cricket – 8th June

**A Taste of Music for 2016, Junior School Choirs:** Friday 20th May, arrival 6pm for 6:30-8:30pm performance. Tickets available at the front desk.

**The Big Lunch:** Sunday 5th June on the playing fields at Broughton Fields Primary School

**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, how well do you understand restorative justice?

## 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 25th April are:

**Monday 25th April: Foundation 2: (Gold Pin) Rahul, Yahye (Pink Pin) Tanvi (Pink Ribbon) Kai**

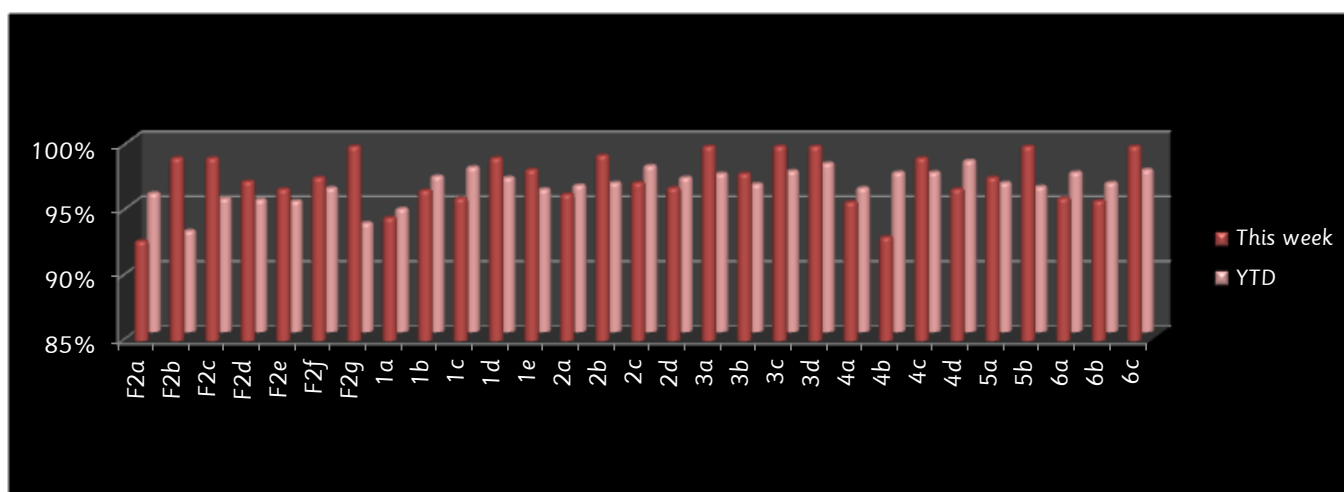
**Thursday 28th April: Year 4: (Yellow Pin) Kaylea, Aryan (Yellow Ribbon) Shiraz**

**Year 5: (Purple Pin) Muhammad**

**Friday 29th April: Year 2: (Blue Pin) Tyler (Blue Ribbon) Sadie, Rachel, Benita, Tilly L, Ethan P**

## 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 F2g Miss Jasper's class, 3a Miss Fowler's class, 3c Mr Davis' class, 5b Mrs Townrow's class and 6c Miss Bold's class, all with 100% attendance! Congratulations!!!