# **Brooklands Bulletin**

**Brooklands Farm Primary School** Weaving a learning journey

24th April 2015

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our new site is coming on a pace now and it is looking great. We have been planning for the growth of our school for the last 3 years and reality of putting policy into practice is now nearly here. As always, we at Brooklands Farm Primary School want to make sure that any changes being made are carried out in consultation with parents. We would therefore like to start a listening campaign over the forthcoming week. The campaign takes the following pathway-

**Step 1** - We will gather all the guestions together that you have with regards to the school's growth plans. We will stand outside over the next few days so please stop and record your questions. Equally, you may email Reception at office@brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk with your questions.

Step 2- We will collate these questions and then turn them into 'Tell Me Tuesday' questions. Again, please stop and make your voice heard or email your responses to the front desk.

Step 3- We will listen to your responses and use the most popular ones to shape our policies and practices. After half term we will share the policies through a number of change forums.

Our community has always driven the changes we make. I am looking forward to working with you to ensure our future is shaped by us all.

Thank you,

Maxine Low

### **Term Dates:**

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May

Summer (1) term ends 22nd May (21st May for Nursery)

Half Term Break 25th-29th May

Summer (2) term begins 1st June

**Inset Day 22nd June** 

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

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Autumn (1) term begins 7th September

Dates for your diary:

Year 6 SATs: Mon 11th May to Thu 14th May

May Holiday Club: Tue 26th May

to Fri 29th May

Year 6 Residential: Mon 1st—Fri

5th June 2015

Inset Day: Mon 22nd June

Sports Day: Fri 26th June - KS2

Sat 27th June - KS1

Year 5 Residential: Wed 1st - Fri

**3rd** July 2015

**Transition:** Mon 6th—Wed 22nd

July

# Tell Me Tuesday

## This week's Tell Me Tuesday guestion is:

Apologies for not having this week's question ready for you. We will send it out via ParentMail on Monday.

### 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

### **Year 2 SATs Parents Information Sessions:**

Wednesday 29th April 2015 5-6pm Class 2a (Mrs Odell) and Class 2c (Mrs Taylor)

Thursday 30th April 2015 5-6pm Class 2b (Miss Marriott)

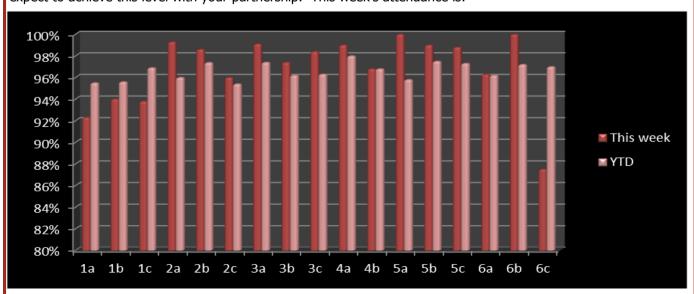
**This Week In Sport:** The year 5 & 6 boys football team finished 3rd in the MK Primary School Shield competition and the Year 5 & 6 dodgeball team finished 3rd out of all the primary schools in MK. Both deserve huge amount of credit as this is a very big achievement!





### 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 27th April are:

Monday 27th Apr @ 8:40: F2 (Gold pin) Dylan R, Charlie G, Wiktoria O, Finlay K, Hannah G, Ishaan P (Pink pin) Samuel P-D, Varsha U, Isabella H, Peyton O, George P, Danielle D

Wednesday 29th Apr @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green pin) Omar, Destiny, Vihaan, Ali-Hasan S, Jaimin T, Arvan S

Year 4 (Gold pin) Alice K, Simone K (Yellow pin) Larsson Y

Thursday 30th Apr @ 8:40: Year 5 (Purple pin) Ellen, Jozef B, Saesha, Carla D, Tomas K

<u>Friday 1st May @ 8:40</u>: Year 1 (Gold pin) Lewis W (Orange pin) Aimee N, Dakota Y, Nerea B-P, Ethan P, Oliver P, Franki S, Hashem A, Sam K

Year 2 (Gold pin) Juliana B, Bhavi N (Blue pin) Calum P, Caraleena W, Pranav K, Kai K, Amelie R



# In Our Community

Upcoming local events:

**The BIG LUNCH** is back on Sunday 7th June in the grounds of Broughton Field School From 12:30pm. This is an opportunities for neighbours to get together, share food and have some fun!

**Big Lunch Kids Dance Troupe** Rehearsals start Thursday 23rd April 4pm - 5pm @ Broughton Pavilion. Hollywood meets Bollywood in fusion dance for boys & girls 5 years and over.



# **Brooklands Farm Friends (PTA)**

If you are interested in joining Brooklands Farm Friends please contact Sam Vernon at <a href="mailto:samantha.vernon@sky.com">samantha.vernon@sky.com</a> for more details.



# **Small School News**

### Early Years

#### Foundation 2

The children have been enthusiastically using the outside area this week to plant different seeds. Lets hope for a bit of rain to help them grow! Next week we are looking at *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and will be looking at growth. Can you please bring in some pictures of the children as babies to discuss?

Because the weather is quite changeable at the moment, please can you make sure the children have coats for the chillier times of the day and also make sure that cardigans and jumpers are labelled for the hotter moments, when children are likely to take them off?

#### Infant School

#### Year 1

Thank you to the parents that attended last night's phonics meeting. We are looking forward to seeing the rest of the Year 1 parents on Wednesday, 6th May from 5pm.

Please can all Year 1 children bring in a clearly named water bottle to ensure the children stay hydrated throughout the day?

**Year 2** had a fantastic owl visit on Monday! It was great to see the owls in action and learn more from the experts. This week we have started to use our facts to create factual sentences and apply all of our writing skills. All the children have worked very hard on some independent maths and reading work, showing how staying calm can really help you grow your learning! Well done Year 2!

### **Lower Junior**

**Year 3** had a very exciting start to the week as it was their first trip to the swimming pool! Children showed a great attitude and high effort levels in their swimming classes.

The teachers would like to give a huge well done to Year 3 for completing assessments in literacy and maths and showing a growth mind-set, even when the work was challenging.

#### **Upper Junior**

**Year 5** have shown their resilience and determination in assessment week. Also, we have seen some fantastic presentations about the Titanic this week. It's great to share their learning from home in school!

**Year 6** will be completing their last mock SATs tests next week and look forward to celebrating their successes. The children have really enjoyed their relaxation sessions this week where the children could choose from rounders, zumba, art and puppetry.

Thank you to all those who attended the SATs meeting and drop in parents sessions this week. If you were unable to attend, the PowerPoint is available to view on the website.