

# Brooklands Bulletin

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

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## Term Dates:

Spring (2) term ends 26th March (25th March for Nursery)

Inset Day 27th March

Easter Break 30th March—10th April

Summer (1) term begins 13th April

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)

## Dates for your diary:

**World Book Day:** Thursday 5th March

**Inset Day:** Friday 27th March

**Easter Holiday Club:** Mon 30th March to Thursday 2nd Apr

**May Holiday Club:** Tue 26th May to Fri 29th May

**Year 6 Residential:** Mon 1st—Fri 5th June 2015

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

## Tell Me Tuesday

This week's Tell Me Tuesday question is:

On a scale of 1 to 5, how good is our reading curriculum?

Last week's results: 82% of parents scored us a 4 or 5 for coverage of other cultures.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Today we gave all our best wishes to Mrs Higginbottom as she begins her maternity leave. We look forward to hearing the news of baby's arrival!

Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 10th March from 3:40pm-5:30pm and Thursday 12th March from 4pm-7:30pm.

We have moved to an online system for booking parents evening.

You will need to book your parents evening appointment by visiting <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/> and entering the code **5MGG9**

You will then be prompted to enter your email address, your name and your child's name. Click 'Go' and you can select your child's class teacher and your preferred time.

(If you have more than one child in school please allow at least 10 minutes between appointments.)

We've already received some very positive feedback from parents about how easy the system is to use. If you haven't already booked your appointment, please do so as it must be done by Thursday 5th March.

Kind regards,

Maxine Low, Elisabeth Morrison

## 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

**Parents Evening:** Please book your parents evening appointments by Thursday 5th March by visiting <http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/> and entering the code **5MGG9**.

**Breakfast Club/Care Club/After School Activities:** We now have a new email address for Care Club:

[careclub@brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk](mailto:careclub@brooklandsfarm.milton-keynes.sch.uk)

Please send all your breakfast club, care club and after school activity queries to this address.

**World Book Day:** We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Children are invited to dress up as their favourite character on the day for a donation to International Book Aid.

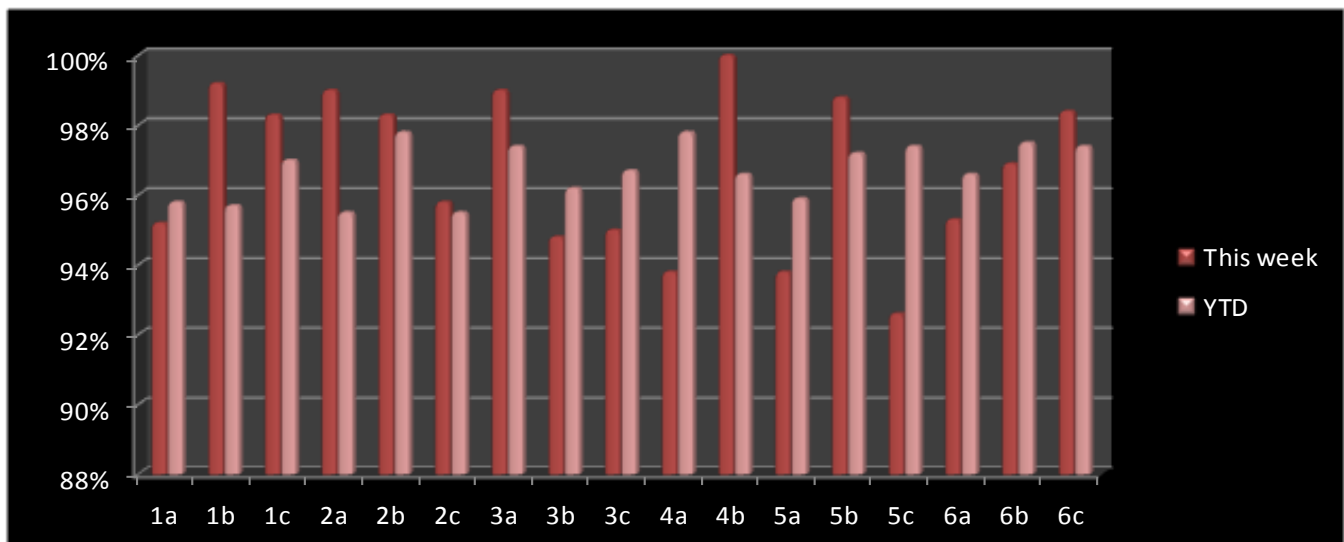
\*The whole of Year 1 will have their dress up day on Friday 6th March as they have their trip on the Thursday.

**Athletics:** The Year 5 & 6 athletics team finished 2nd in their competition this week, well done!

**No Smoking:** Please may we remind all parents that smoking is not permitted anywhere on the premises. This includes our school car parks.

## 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 2nd March are:

**Wednesday 4th Mar @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green pin)** Angad J, Vaughan B



## ***In Our Community***

Upcoming local events:

More local events coming soon.



## ***Brooklands Farm Friends (PTA)***

If you are interested in joining Brooklands Farm Friends please contact Sam Vernon at [samantha.vernon@sky.com](mailto:samantha.vernon@sky.com) for more details.



# Small School News

WORLD  
**BOOK  
DAY**

5 MARCH 2015

## *Early Years*

### **Foundation 2**

The children have been amazingly well behaved on our trips to Woburn Safari Park. We all had a great time looking at the animals. One of the cheeky monkeys even climbed on the roof of the coach! We look forward to continue the amazing learning from our trip next week!

## *Infant School*

**Year 1** will be dressing up for World Book Day on Friday 6th March. Children are invited to dress up as their favourite character for a donation to International Book Aid.

As part of World Book Day we would love parents to come into Year 1 and read a story to the class if you have a favourite. You're invited to this any day next week. Please arrange a day with your child's class teacher.

Thank you for the amazing diaries that the children made during half term. We have enjoyed reading them and are glad you had a great time.

Please remember to return permission slips for our Shuttleworth trip if you haven't already done so. **We still need 3 more parent helpers for our trip on Thursday**. Please let your class teacher know as soon as possible if you are available to help.

### **Year 2**

Thank you to everybody who was able to attend our dinosaur exhibition this week! The children have worked incredibly hard to produce amazing stories, information reports and character descriptions.

We have also taken part in maths workshops this week run by local company Explore Learning who are located on the first floor of the new library in Kingston.

## *Lower Junior*

**Year 3** have had a SUPER Friday Ignite day complete with a very special visit from the Dark Knight himself! Please check the website soon for photos.

**Year 4** visited the Verulamium Museum in St. Albans on Thursday where they learnt all about Roman England and Boudica, Queen of the Iceni people. We are looking forward to continuing our learning about Romans next week. Thank you to all the parent helpers that came along with us.

## *Upper Junior*

**Year 5** we have had a great start to the new half term. We are looking forward to reigniting our Harry Potter project next week so we can begin our create stage of the project. We will be creating our own Hogwarts style lessons to teach to years 3 and 4! Also, we are looking forward to dressing up as our favourite book character next Thursday and celebrating World Book Week by reading and sharing lots of different stories!

**Year 6** have been busy learning about Nelson Mandela this week. Today the children went to their first transition maths lesson at Oakgrove and did Brooklands Farm proud by displaying their excellent behaviour and gotcha smiles.