

Brooklands Bulletin

8th May 2015



Brooklands Farm

Primary School

Weaving a learning journey

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Term Dates:

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)

2015/2016

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

Community Festival: Fri 15th Ju-
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Transition: Mon 6th—Wed 22nd
July

Headlines

Miss McDonald's baby just couldn't wait for half term! Elsie Grace arrived on Friday 1st May weighing 4lb, 12oz. Both Mum and baby are doing well.

Year 3 will be hosting a cake sale on Monday 11th May after school in the cross corridor to raise money for the victims of the earthquake in Nepal.

Year 6 parents and siblings please join us for breakfast from 8:00 in the school hall each morning before SATs.

Tell Me Tuesday

This week's Tell Me Tuesday question is:

On a scale of 1 to 5, do we involve families enough?

Last week's results:

69% responded 4 and 5 for How often do you walk to school?

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

May Half Term Holiday Club: Booking forms are now available for the May half term holiday club. Places must be booked no later than Friday 15th May in order for Care Club to plan staffing for the week.

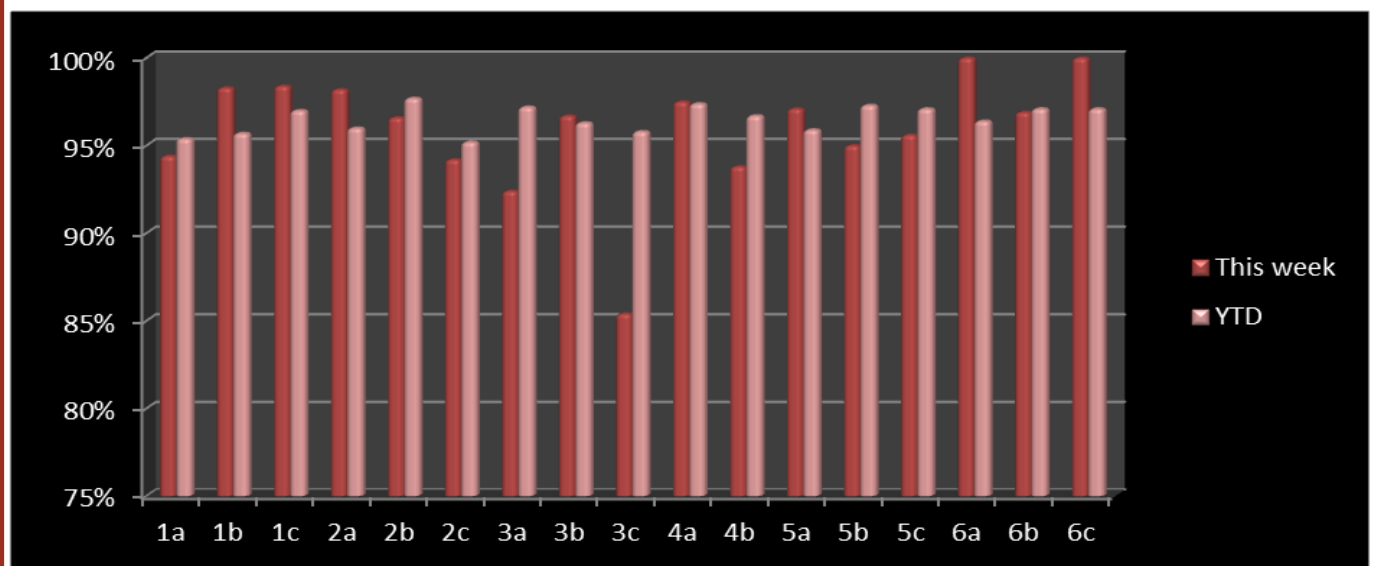
Year 3 Swimming Lessons: Year 3 will not be swimming next week (week commencing 11th May) due to staff timetables for Year 6 SATs. They will continue the following week.

Ignite Payments: Please continue to make your £35 contributions for Ignite if you haven't already done so. We have offered several exciting activities so far this year but as these are reliant on your voluntary contributions, we may have to cancel the remaining trips if we do not receive a sufficient amount to cover the costs.

Year 5 & 6 Residential Payments: If your child will be taking part in this year's residential, please remember to make your payments via the front office. The total cost for Year 5's trip to The Caldecotte Xperience on the 1st – 3rd July 2015 is £140. The total cost for Year 6's trip to The New Barn Field Centre on the 1st – 5th June 2015 is £280.

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 11th May are:

Monday 11th May @ 8:40: F2 (Gold pin) Jenson B, Oliver L, Ollie P, Alfie R
(Pink pin) Quarmi S, Esther B-P, Jeffrey K, Riya S, Maddie P, Gyasi M, Janiah A



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 opportunity for neighbours to get together, share food and have some fun!

Big Lunch Kids Dance Troupe Thursdays 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 samantha.vernon@sky.com for more details.



Small School News

Early Years

Foundation 1

This week the children in Nursery have been learning the story *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. We have been learning about healthy and unhealthy foods and children have been role playing being customers and shopkeepers in the 'shop'.

Thank you for the baby and special family event photos that have been sent in so far. This has helped us talk about growth and how we change as we get older. If your child hasn't brought theirs in please send them in with a photo they can share with their group next week.

Infant School

Year 2

Most of Year 2 have started to record their owl writing to create interviews and documentaries this week which has been very exciting! In maths we have started subtraction and have learnt some new methods to solve subtraction problems.

Lower Junior

Year 3 will be hosting a cake sale on Monday after school to raise money for the victims of the earthquake in Nepal. There will be lots of yummy cakes on offer, all baked by Year 3! We will be setup in the cross corridor by the playground doors.

Year 3 will not be swimming next week due to staff timetables for Year 6 SATs. Lessons will continue week commencing 18th May. If your child swims on Mondays their 10th and final lesson will be on 20th July. If your child swims on Tuesdays their 10th and final lesson will take place on 7th July. This takes into account the bank holiday, SATs week and the inset day.

Upper Junior

Year 5

We have had a busy week in year 5. We have been redesigning the Titanic, improving it by adding more safety features such as extra lifeboats, which could have saved lives. On Thursday, we learnt about the general election by researching the different parties manifestos and even held our own election! See the website for photos from our week!

Year 6 have had a great week based on growth mindset. We have participated in a number of confidence building exercises. We are very proud of the children and look forward to celebrating their achievements with them next week.

Please can the children get lots of rest over the weekend so that they are fresh and ready for next week.