

Brooklands Bulletin

15th May 2015



Brooklands Farm
Primary School
Weaving a learning journey

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Term Dates:

Summer (1) term ends 22nd May

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 Residential: Mon 1st—Fri 5th June 2015

Class Photos: Thu 18th June

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 July

Transition: Mon 6th—Wed 22nd July

Tell Me Tuesday

Due to a busy 'Brain Week' we will not be doing Tell Me Tuesday this week:

Last week's results:

95% of parents scored us 4 and 5 for 'Do we involve families enough?'

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am so very proud of our year 6 children who worked their way through the SATs process this week with determination and resilience. Our learning community are very proud their achievements.

Next week is 'Brain Week', we will be working with the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust to delivery this project. We start on Monday morning with visits and information sharing from various professionals from their organisation. We will then spend the rest of the week learning about how the brain works. On Friday we will complete the project working together as a whole school to share our learning. Please can your child wear clothes in their sports day colours on Friday as we would like to create an image of the brain and its many parts as a whole school photo. We will remind you of your sports team colours next week.

We want to fully support this charity and would therefore ask that children bring in pennies on Friday to place on the playground in the image of a brain.

During this week we will not only raise awareness of how the brain works but also how to develop a growth mindset. I am convinced that our education system is going to become very test based over the next few years. We must now work hard to provide our children with the skills they need to succeed. Growth mindsets are crucial and as a parent it could be the most important coaching you do to prepare them for their future education. As a school we will make this a priority area for next year and share our messages with you.

Kind regards,

Maxine Low

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

Nursery Parents: Our apologies for the misprint in previous bulletins about Nursery finishing on the 21st May. **The last day of the half term for Nursery is Friday 22nd May.**

Year 6 Photographs: A photographer will be in all day on Thursday to photograph Year 6 for their memory books.

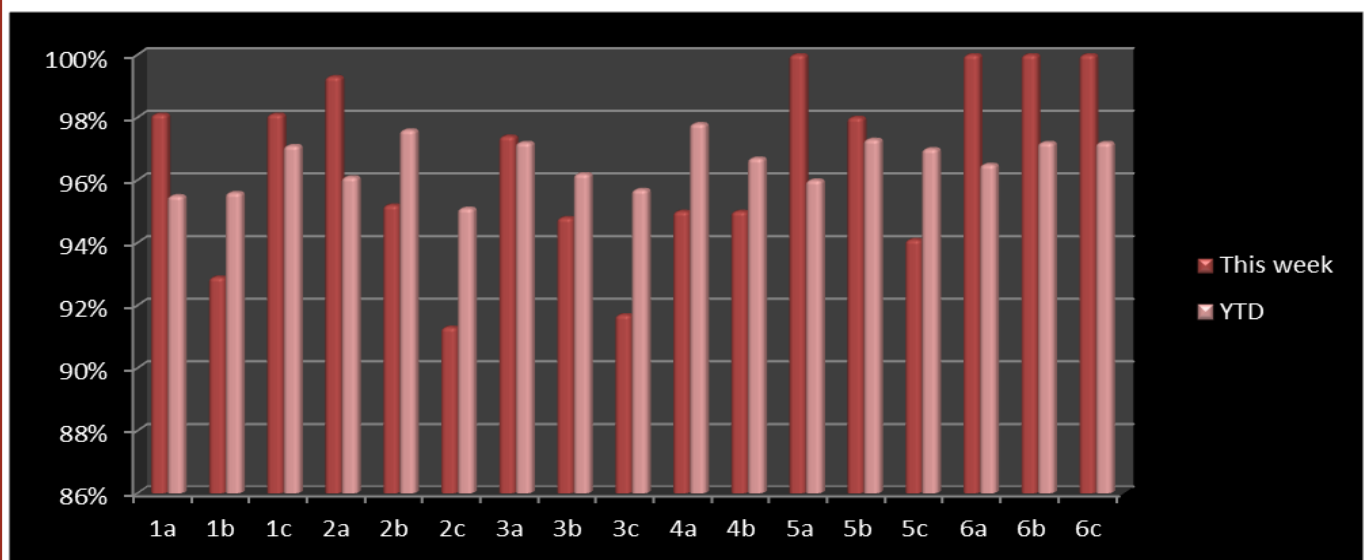
Hot Dinner Order Forms: Order forms are now available for the next half term. Orders for the first week back (w/c 1st June) must be returned no later than 4pm Wednesday 20th May.

Breakfast Club/Care Club/Activity Club Form: Booking forms for the Summer (2) term are now available. Please remember a new form needs to be completed every half term.

Year 3 Swimming Lessons: Just a reminder that Year 3 will continue their swimming lessons next week. Please ensure children have their swimming kits.

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 18th May are:

Monday 18th May @ 8:40: F2 (Gold pin) Leah B, Sophie-Maria K (**Pink pin**) Kady C, Rebecca M, Joshua W, Nikaiya B, Georgina U, Lily Z, Kayla S, Alfie H, Maryam S, Jack Y, Amelia W, Kyla E, Sharanya S, Jack M, Amelia L, Jacob W

Wednesday 20th May @ 8:40: Year 3 (Green pin) Sean C, Max B

Friday 22nd May @ 8:40: Year 2 (Blue pin) Amaya S, Iggy E-D (**Blue ribbon**) Aakriti J, Macy P



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

Next week nursery will be learning about chicks. We will have chicks in Nursery to look at and hold. We will also be learning about the brain as part of the whole school project.

Please may we ask that you bring in any junk modelling items you may have?

Foundation 2

This week has been exciting! We have explored the *Little Red Hen*, looking at changes in materials and the differences in breads. It has been great to send some letters to each other. Next week we are looking at how to keep your brain healthy. If you have any books about keeping healthy, we would love to see them!

Infant School

Year 1 have been busy making a map of the world! We have been learning the names of the 5 oceans and 7 continents of the world. Can you ask your child to name them at home? How many can they remember?

Year 2 have produced some fantastic owl art this week! We have created owls from paper plates, owl sketches and collages of owls. As we move into next week we will be doing lots of writing so there will be no writing homework sent out.

Lower Junior

Year 4 had a very important visitor - a representative for Moja Island! During their project they learned about different sources of renewable energy and evaluated which could be used to provide energy and electricity for communities on the island. They all presented their ideas to the representative and asked some amazing questions. We will have to wait and see which idea they decide to invest in...

Upper Junior

Year 5 would like to say a big congratulations to Year 6 who have shown determination and strength as they completed their SATs. Also, thank you to year 5 for being resilient to change and supporting the Year 6's this week! We have had a creative week designing our new cruise ships, thinking carefully about how we can make them safe.

Year 6 have coped extremely well with SATs this week. Their courage and determination has been outstanding. On Friday the children got to enjoy a relaxing day, completing artwork, cooking and celebrating their achievements by having a PJ party.

Everyone at Brooklands Farm could not be more proud of our strong and powerful learners!