

# parents newsletter



4<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school term. I am delighted to welcome all our new children and their families and was thrilled to see the playground filled with so many parents on our first day back. Duckling children in their smart new uniforms proudly being photographed on their first day at Brooklands and beaming faces as they enjoyed their first roast dinner.

Over the summer holidays we have had even more refurbishment taking place around the school including the installation of a number of skylights and a new roof. We are delighted with our fresh and bright library and hall area which has made a huge difference to the feel of these spaces.

I have enjoyed speaking to a number of new parents to the school already and if you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch, you can also contact your class teacher(s) for help with any queries.

Kind Regards  
Christine Davy  
Headteacher

## Information sessions

Brooklands offers a wide range of information sessions which are a really good way to find out more about what and how your children are taught in addition to how you can support your children's learning at home. Take a look at the back of this newsletter for some of the sessions coming up soon.

## From India to the Vikings

Class topic information will be made available from next next week. We have some exciting topics coming up including India and the Vikings. I encourage you take a look and see what your children will be learning in order to help support and encourage them at home.

## Getting Involved

Many of the amazing achievements we have here at Brooklands have in no small part been helped by the hard work of parents and volunteers. Parent and volunteer involvement is fundamental to the learning and experiences of our children at Brooklands and as we begin a new term I would like to encourage our parents interested in offering their time to hear children read or work with us as a forest school to get in touch again. Your assistance makes a huge difference to the school and our children.

For those interested in helping we have a session for volunteers on 14<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm.

## Extreme Reading

Ever tried reading whilst on a trampoline or riding a horse? Well, some of our Kingfishers have. We are continuing with our extreme reading photographs this term and cannot wait to see what ingenious ideas and activities we will be shown in pictures. From reading with an adored family pet to reading in a canoe, our children are clearly enjoying their book adventures.

Look out too for lots of newly released books which have been purchased over the summer.

## Reading Challenge

Starting Monday any of our children who read at home at least 3 times a week will get a star on their Reading Challenge chart. The class with the most stars at the end of the week will get to choose a new book for their class.

## Romance on the River

A cause for celebration came with the news that Pippa Cresdee got engaged to Tom over the summer after a romantic proposal on the banks of the river Deben.