

# parents newsletter



17<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Dear Parents

We wish a sad farewell to our Year 6 children who move up to High School next term. We hope they will be taking many fond memories of their time at Brooklands as they move on to new adventures and take their learning forward. Meanwhile, I look forward to welcoming our new Ducklings in the Autumn.

Thank you to all of you for the help and support you have given the school in the last year of which we are extremely appreciative. We know how hard it can be finding the time in a busy schedule to offer your time and skills and we are very grateful for all your assistance. Thank you also for all your kind words and messages of thanks. Your messages mean a great deal to all of us at the school.

I hope you all have a good holiday filled with fun and adventure.

Kind Regards

**Christine Davy**  
Headteacher

## Key Stage 2 Achievement

Key Stage 2 success follows that of our Key Stage 1 results. This is a further reflection of the continued hard work by all those involved. I am delighted to report our Year 6 children have performed above last year's national figures (2014) in reading they achieved 100% Level 4+ (national 89%), in writing 97% Level 4+ (national 85%) and in mathematics 97% Level 4+ (national 86%).

The proportion of our children achieving or surpassing Level 5 remains high with a staggering 77% achieving Level 5 in spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG).

NB: Level 4 = national expectation for Year 6.

## Going for Gold

153 children that have remained in green throughout the year will receive a special recognition letter in gold next week to reflect their consistently outstanding behaviour. I will also be issuing 29 green letters to the children that have achieved good behaviour this half-term.

## Reading Challenge

We look forward to awarding certificates in the Autumn term to those children who take part in the Summer Reading Challenge at your local library. Reading over the summer will support your child's progress and nurture their love of reading.

Our reading theme this year is Record Breakers.

## Uniform

As I often do at this time of year, I am attaching a copy of the school's uniform policy to help clarify dress code requirements.

If you are planning to buy new shoes over the holidays please note that these need to meet school regulations. Brooklands is proud of its smart uniform but have noticed this term that a number of children have been wearing shoes and boots that aren't appropriate, comfortable or appropriate for school activities for example, boots and trainer style shoes.

Please also ensure that socks are matching plain black, grey or white and that hair accessories are simple (not fashion). Skirts should be knee length and polo shirts white and not red.

Do remember to ensure that children's clothes are clearly named. With a large school it is very easy for clothes to get lost

## Attendance Certificates

At the end of term I will be awarding approx 69 certificates for outstanding attendance between February and July 2015. Congratulations to all those who have achieved 100% attendance this term.

## Refurbishment continues

We continue our refurbishment of the school over the Summer holidays. Further painting of classrooms continues in addition to work on maintenance of the school roof.