

parents newsletter



18th September 2015

Dear Parents

Your participation and engagement with the school plays a big part in shaping our positive culture and overall good feeling at Brooklands. Taking the time to recognise and offer praise for what the school does well so that we can build on this but also sharing concerns and offering suggestions in a supportive way enables us to improve.

Many parents offer their time to the school as volunteers. Every year I am overjoyed by your support and commitment to the school helping us create something very special and unique for our children which is commented on time and time again by visitors to the school.

With continued thanks,

Christine Davy
Headteacher

'50 things to do before you leave Brooklands'

Based on the National Trust list of '50 things to do before you are 11 ¾' our school community created their own list of experiences that our children wanted to enjoy during their time at Brooklands, ranging from swinging on a rope swing to visiting London. Accompanying this newsletter is a postcard which we hope children will pin up on the fridge and tick off.

September 2016

I will be holding an information evening for parents of children due to start school in September 2016 on Wednesday 25th November at 6.00pm. If anyone wishes to attend please contact the office for details.

Safeguarding Audit

Following a Local Authority Safeguarding audit requested by the school we have just received the report which awards recognition for our high level of Safeguarding arrangements within the school, showing these to be effective and well managed. Our Designated Safeguarding Lead supported by the headteacher, provides a proactive approach to safeguarding and there is a high level of vigilance demonstrated by all staff in the school. Safeguarding our children is something we take very seriously at Brooklands.

Taking PE to the next level

Cleonie Harris has taken over from Megan Glazin as our PE Leader this year as Brooklands works toward the Association for Physical Education Quality Mark. Watch this space for more details in the coming weeks.

Food for Life Award

Brooklands has recently achieved the Food for Life Award which recognises the opportunities we give our children to learn how to stay healthy. Our children are taught at Brooklands how to make informed choices about healthy eating. Through their opportunities to grow, harvest and cook food from our school gardening area and with more than 60% of our pupils choosing to eat a school hot meal every day, we have been recognised for our good work in this area of the curriculum.

Beach School

To further extend the range of outdoor learning activities we offer our children at Brooklands, Megan Glazin and Gill McFarland will be attending Beach School training later this month. As part of their training they will learn about the range of activities we will be able to develop for our children as part of becoming a Beach School.



60th Birthday

Thank you to the many children and parents who have joined Team Brooklands in making Lyn Wines birthday so special and memorable.