

parents newsletter



17th June 2016

Dear Parents

Over the coming weeks many of our children will be enjoying a range of activities including a visit to an art gallery in Colchester, visits to Wrabness as part of our Beach School adventures and a visit to Felixtowe. They will also be introduced to some new activities to try for the first time including tennis, Irish dancing and Karate at our 'Club Market'.

It is part of Brooklands mission to make the most of learning outdoors whether we are discovering life through pond dipping, through our regular visits to the forest or enjoying a picnic in our woodland area.

All of our children will also be working towards ticking off many of their '50 Things to do before you leave Brooklands' list some of those things listed will be experienced for the first time and it is great to see our children trying so many new things.

Kind Regards
Christine Davy
Headteacher

BIG Recognition for Brooklands

I am delighted to announce that Brooklands has been awarded the BIG Award for excellence in bullying intervention. Adrienne Katz, Co-Director of BIG remarked on the school's strong and clear anti-bullying strategy and our ability to use innovative ideas, pupil participation and an emphasis on equality.

We are very proud of this award and we appreciate the relevance and importance an award such as the BIG Award has to Brooklands.

Information on how Brooklands manages Bullying is available on our website along with our Anti-Bullying Charter.



It is going to be a Yellow Day

Rummage through your clothes and dig out those old ties and silly hats ready for July 1st. Whether it's a pair of brightly coloured socks or a pair of trousers, anything yellow will be the attire of the day as we will be wearing yellow to raise funds for this years chosen charity: Cystic Fibrosis. To get involved wear an item of clothing which is yellow and make a donation.

Do you have a child in Year 2?

Our Year 2 children have now taken their national curriculum tests, also known as SATs and accompanying this newsletter for Year 2 parents is a copy of 'Information for parents: 2016 national curriculum test results at the end of Key Stage 1.

Mrs Hunting will be using these test results along with other information and data, to help her judge how well your children are progressing. Once all of the data available has been collected, Mrs Hunting will be able to get a full picture of how well your child is doing so that she can reflect this information in your child's end of year report.

Year 6 SATs - What happens next?

Following their SATs our Year 6 children have been continuing to work hard focusing on their writing. Year 6 children do not complete a writing SAT. Instead their writing is assessed by their teacher. Miss Cresdee will wait until the full teacher assessment is completed by the end of June, to ensure that she has all the information she needs to understand how your child is performing in writing. At this time, we will be able to report your child's results and will be including them in your child's end of year report.

'50 Things to do before you leave Brooklands'

Have you remembered to tick off the list on our Curriculum page on our school website? Take a look and see what else you can tick off!