

# parents newsletter



23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016

Dear Parents

This week through our whole school assemblies and activities in their classes, our children have been learning about the importance of perseverance and not giving up. As part of our Growth Mindset approach the children have been introduced to the 'I Can't Do It Yeti!' who when he couldn't do things, he used to get upset, sulk, get angry, pretend he didn't care and then give up until MoJo introduced him to the Power of Yet. With the help of Yeti and MoJo our children are learning that not being able to do something first time doesn't mean that with hard work and determination they won't be able to do it one day. We will be sharing more about the fascinating area of Growth Mindset in our Learning Together sessions this term (see reverse for dates).

Talking of trying new things and practicing, our Sea Otters have begun learning the guitar and are enjoying weekly sessions delivered by the Suffolk County Music Service.

Kind Regards  
**Christine Davy**  
Headteacher

## Unique and Special

I am delighted that so many parents of children due to start school in September 2017 have already started taking the opportunity to visit Brooklands to see first hand what we offer our children that makes us so unique and special. If you would like to arrange a tour please contact the school office.

We will be holding an information evening for parents on 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 6.00pm if anyone wishes to attend. Please contact the school office for details.

## Proud to Announce

Congratulations to Owen Stones and Evie Gilson for being chosen to be Brooklands Head Boy and Head Girl. This is a big achievement for Owen and Evie and we are delighted and proud of them.

## Have you had a ShaBang?

Our Sea turtles have enjoyed a number of ShaBangs from devouring ice creams after helping Tiddles (their class Sea turtle) to make milkshakes with an electric blender as part of Chocolate Milkshake Day and slipping down a water slide as part of their first Forest School session.



## Taking Time to Talk

Parents often share with me how impressed and appreciative they are of the special efforts we make at Brooklands to be available for them to talk to us.

To offer you further opportunity to talk with us, this year Megan Glazin will also be running a Question and Answer session for our Early Years parents (see back of newsletter for details).

I am also sending with this newsletter guidance on how to get help if you have a question or concern regarding any aspect of school life.

In nearly all cases, your class teacher is the best person to contact or alternatively you may wish to contact your Key Stage Leader (Megan Glazin or Pippa Wake). We are also able to offer appointments arranged through the school office.

## ClassDoJo

Many of you have taken the opportunity to view, like and comment on the fantastic experiences our children are having at Brooklands through ClassDoJo.

Our Pufferfish had a wonderful time at PGL and it has been wonderful to see some of the photographs that Mrs Wake has shared on their Class Story and through private messages. Take a moment to view our Pufferfish enjoying the thrills of kayaking, high ropes and orienteering.