

# parents newsletter



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Dear Parents

As we approach the end of one school year and the beginning of the next we are preparing our Year 6 children for their move up to High School. This transition is an exciting time and our children will be spending a day in their new school to meet new teachers and find out more about the exciting topics and activities that they will be learning.

Here at Brooklands we are also looking forward to welcoming our new intake in September and introducing them to Megan Glazin. They will be meeting new friends and finding out all about the thrilling things they are going to be learning. There will be some familiar faces too as we receive 14 siblings of children who are already here at Brooklands. Our children will also be seeing some new teaching faces as we say hello to 3 dynamic new teachers; Harry Legg, Charlie Goddard and Rhian Brighton.

Best wishes  
**Christine Davy**  
Headteacher

## Key Stage 2 teachers

I am pleased to announce the teaching arrangements for our Key Stage 2 children from September.

Following our successful recent recruitment campaign we are pleased to welcome 3 new teachers to Brooklands. We look forward to welcoming Harry Legg, Charlie Goddard and Rhian Brighton to Brooklands over the next few months when they join us and spend some time in school getting to know everyone before beginning in September.

Year 3	Charlie Goddard
Year 4	Harry Legg
Year 5	Rhian Brighton
Year 6	Pippa Wake

## Deputy Headteacher

Mike Waddell our Deputy headteacher will be supporting our children's learning and behaviour throughout the school whilst continuing to lead on a range of whole school initiatives.

## Starting School

It was great to see so many families at our New Intake session this week. We are looking forward to many of our new parents signing up to ClassDojo before your child starts school to see the many opportunities we have in place to make your child's start to school a settled one. We hope that these posts will provide a useful prompt for our children starting school to share and discuss their experiences with their families. We also encourage our new parents who have any questions or concerns to let us know using the messaging system.

## 95%

The Education Welfare Officer regularly visits Brooklands to monitor attendance and work with families of children with low school attendance in order to help to improve their attendance. The benchmark for good school attendance is set at 95% and unfortunately, once your child has missed 10 school days during a school year (regardless of reason), they are unable to achieve a 95% school attendance rate for that year.

## ClassDojo Survey

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the online survey. It was great to see responses and also to capture such a significant amount of positivity from parents regarding the use of ClassDojo. Parents fed back how much better informed and feeling more in touch with their child's school experience they felt. Findings from the survey have been shared on ClassDojo.

## Speech and Language Therapy

We have recently appointed Madeleine Howden to join us in September as a Teaching Assistant. We are delighted that Madeleine is joining us. Currently studying psychology at York University Madeleine aspires to be a Speech and Language Therapist (SALT). Moving forward her role with us will include shadowing both NHS SALTs and our school funded SALT service (Communicate) before leading interventions across the school.

## Non-teaching Staff

Non-teaching staff information for September will be shared next term and will include familiar faces as well as new faces to the school.