# parents newsletter



# 21st July 2017

### Dear Parents

As the academic year draws to a close there are so many things to celebrate at Brooklands in 2016/2017. For the first time in the school's history we became a finalist in the presitgious Raising the Bar Awards for our innovative work in the area of recruitment and selection of talented teachers. Our SATs results have again shown how well our children are doing and many of our teachers including Megan and Pippa and myself have been awarded key roles in Suffolk's education programmes to support and raise the standards of teaching and education across Suffolk. We have also received a number of significant awards.

ClassDojo has been a huge success and it has been great being able to share special moments with parents on a daily basis.

I am sure that next year will bring continued success as new children and parents join us along with new teachers and Governors but in the meantime, I wish you all a good summer break and look forward to sharing 2017/2018 with you.

Best wishes Christine Davy

### **Continued Achievement**

Following on from the success of our Key Stage 2 results, Key Stage 1 have continued the record of achievement with results above the national figures. As you will see from the figures below, our results in writing are very strong indeed. Congratulations to all our children and staff for their hard work.

	School	National
Achieving the expected standard in reading	76%	74%
Achieving the expected standard in writing	72%	65%
Achieving the expected standard in mathematics	76%	73%

### Supporting our Newly Qualified Teachers (NQTs)

Lily Loveday has sucessfully completed her induction year at Brooklands and with the support of Team Brooklands she has had an amazing year. In the coming year Lily will be leading art and music across the school. Meanwhile, Megan has progressed through to Assistant Heachteacher within her 4 years at the school, Becky has achieved her first senior leadership position after just 4 years at the school.

One of the rewarding things about being a headteacher is watching and supporting talented teachers grow and flourish. I look forward to Harry Legg and Charlie Goddard joining us in the new term.

## Green All The Way

Congratualtions to the 130 children who received their certificate in Celebration today in recognition of their outstanding behaviour and staying 'in green' all year.

### **Brooklands Young Explorers (BYE)**

Brooklands Young Explorers are explanding. Following a successful application to change the use of our school bungalow situated on the school site, BYE have exciting plans for this site which will include a larger outside space. BYE will continue to use our onsite room for its wrap-around care. We are so lucky to have such a strong pre-school provision in Brantham.

### **Mud Room**

Funded by Brooklands Friends and Family, the Mud Room is starting to take shape. The room will be a space for children to use for outdoor learning activities ranging from after school clubs such as football to Forest School and Beach School activities. The area will include a changing area, seating and storage for our outdoor learning resources.

# More Achievement to Celebrate

76% of our Early Years children achieved a Good Level of Development (National:71%). This shows a 4 year rising trend since 2014 and reflects outstanding teaching in Early Years. Congratualtions to everyone again.

### Buying New Clothes for School.

I have attached a copy of the uniform policy to help if you are thinking of buying new clothes and shoes for September. Please be aware that trainers are not considered suitable footwear for school. Socks need to be plain black, grey or white and hair accessories need to be black, brown, white or red (simple and practical hair bands and clips - no fashion items).