



## Head Teacher's End of Term Message Term 5 ~ May 2017



25 May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Although Term 5 is one of the shorter term in the school year, we still manage to make it a special time for our children with so many activities and exciting times.

It has also been a special time for our staff. I'm sure by now you will be aware of our school's recognition as a STEM school ~ specialising in the aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. It has been the dedication and hard work of Miss Prince that has ensured the school has achieved such heights. So ~ we are extremely proud to announce that Miss Prince has been chosen as the Primary School Science Teacher of the Year for West Kent. In fact, at a recent ceremony to receive her award, she was also voted as the Top overall Primary Science Teacher of the Year in the whole of Kent.

I was also present at the ceremony, as my dear colleagues had nominated me for Head Teacher of the Year for West Kent. It was indeed a great honour to receive the award and a fitting accolade for my years here at Brookfield.

Please look out for our certificates which are proudly on display in the entrance hall of our school.

This term we have continued to promote Science across the school. Miss Prince has observed Science learning in each class and has been impressed with the children's focus and engagement. Governors have also been involved with this aspect of monitoring to develop their knowledge of our curriculum.

Yr4 had a really exciting visit to Horton Kirby Educational Centre recently giving the children great hands-on experiences, developing their passion and enthusiasm for Science. They were great ambassadors for the school and we received this email from the Centre Manager following their visit:-

*"I really had to contact your school to congratulate you for helping to create such exceptional young learners! In 6 years of teaching at the Centre I am struggling to think of a more polite, cooperative and eager class. Please congratulate all of the children and teachers and TAs. Well done Brookfield!"*

Other activities this term have included The Family Trust Assembly, Celebration and Brookfield Buddies assemblies and the Yr3 visit to Chiddingstone Castle. The children thoroughly enjoyed every moment of this fun and informative visit in connection with their Ancient Egyptians topic.

In particular this has been a busy term for our Yr6 children who put all their energies and concentration into ensuring that they could do their best in the end of year SATs tests. I would like to say very well done to each and every one of them for their efforts and also Thank You to every member of staff as it was a real 'Brookfield Team' effort in helping and supporting them along the way.

Yr6 children have also been very enterprising and organised many exciting stalls which were well supported by children in other year groups ~ helping them to raise funds for their Yr6 Prom. Thank you to our hard-working PTFA for their help and organisation ~ good fun was had by all!

In this last week of term we hosted a football tournament for Yr5/6 teams from 9 local schools. Our team did extremely well and gave 100% effort in all their matches, but sadly we didn't get through to the semi-finals.

Picture coverage should appear in the KM shortly (or visit KM online). Thank you to Miss Cunningham for organising the event and to our PTFA for providing refreshments during the afternoon.

Across the whole school we promote learning skills that will enable our children to develop their potential and make good progress. In Celebration Assemblies this term we have acknowledged the efforts of our Mighty Mathematicians and Super Spellers. We have also congratulated our



weekly Learning Heroes who have excelled in their efforts.

We are particularly proud of our 'Super Heroes' who have shown continued effort and enthusiasm ~ always 'going that extra mile' to further their learning experiences. For this term they are:- Sophie Harris and Armani Gray in Yr3, Alisha Knell and Loris Roberts in Yr4, Charlie Randell and Chloe Hickmott in Yr5, Joshua Newnham-Wood and Harry Jacques in Yr6. They have enjoyed a Celebration Tea with Mrs Blewer, bringing an invited guest.

Once again ~ we are proud of the children's good behaviour, and 230 children have enjoyed an extra playtime as a reward for keeping to our high standards and expectations throughout this term.

Tomorrow, of course, is another big day at Brookfield as we celebrate our Golden 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Mrs Clark has been working her socks off to organise and coordinate a superb day of fun-filled activities for us all to enjoy and we thank her for all her dedication and hard work. There will be special visitors from past years at Brookfield and hopefully more photos in the KM.

In Term 6 we have many further exciting activities planned ~ please see dates and details below.

It now just remains for me to wish you and your families a happy half-term break; I hope you enjoy the rest and the sunshine!

We look forward to the children returning to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June ~ Breakfast Club will start on the first day; School Clubs start the following week.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely

**M J Blewer**  
Mrs M Blewer  
Head Teacher

#### Dates for your diaries

05.06.17 ~ Term 6 starts  
09.06.17 ~ Yr4 K'Nex challenge (morning)  
12.06.17 ~ Yr6 Science Trip to Horton Kirby Educational Centre  
13.06.17 ~ IOW meeting for Yr6 parents ~ 6.00pm in the Hall  
14.06.17 ~ PTFA Fathers' Day Secret Room  
16.06.17 ~ Bring your dad to school afternoon  
19.06.17 ~ Yr6 Personal Finance Challenge Workshop  
19.06.17 – 23.06.17 ~ Health and Fitness Week  
21.06.17 ~ Sports Day (22.06.17 = Reserve Sports Day)  
26.06.17 – 30.06.17 ~ Yr6 residential visit to Isle of Wight/Activity Week  
June 2017 ~ Class visits to TESCO for 'Food for Fuel' activities  
05.07.17 ~ Yr5 Science Trip to Horton Kirby Educational Centre  
06.07.17 ~ Yr4 Trip to Canterbury  
06.07.17 ~ Meeting for Yr2 parents ~ 6pm  
07.07.17 ~ Special Day activities for all (details to follow)  
07.07.17 ~ End of year Reports go home  
10.07.17 – 14.07.17 ~ Transition Week  
11.07.17 ~ PTFA Film Night for Yr2 and Yr3 children  
13.07.17 ~ Summer Fun party for Yrs 3, 4, 5 (4.30-6.00pm)  
14.07.17 ~ Yr6 Prom  
17.07.17 ~ Governors Tea for staff  
18.07.17 ~ Super Heroes Celebration Tea  
18.07.17 - 19.07.17 ~ Yr6 Play performances  
20.07.17 ~ Thank you to Volunteer helpers and Musical Celebration ~ 2pm  
20.07.17 ~ Yr6 Prize Giving ~ 6pm  
21.07.17 ~ Term 6 ends

