



Head Teacher's End of Term Message Term 3 ~ February 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Despite the wintry chills this term, we have been busy and have enjoyed a variety of experiences here at Brookfield.

The Theatre ADAD visit helped to heighten the awareness of safety around drugs and inappropriate substances for our Yr6 children

Other classes have enjoyed visits to local secondary schools to take part in science sessions using their science labs and their resources, plus there have been visits to Larkfield Library.

A particular highlight for me this term was when I accompanied our Yr5 children and staff to the O2 to take part in the Young Voices extravaganza ~ where we joined over 2000 other children singing and dancing in a glorious performance for a packed arena. It was a long and tiring day, but such an exciting experience for us all. The photos on our website will show you what I mean!

This week, we joined the rest of the nation, indeed the rest of the world ~ in celebrating Safer Internet Day. We tried a new venture with an after school workshop for families across all 3 schools: - Brookfield Infants, Brookfield Juniors and Lunsford.

Altogether 25 parents and their children took part in safety related activities and feedback shows that it was greatly enjoyed by all and that it was extremely informative and helpful.

This event has certainly served to initiate important discussions and conversations ~ thank you for your participation.

Once again our homework projects have proved highly successful, with an absolutely fantastic display of models and creative representations of Anglo-Saxon masks and food in Yr5 and Volcanoes by our Yr3 children. So ~ a big Thank You to all families who have supported and encouraged your child's enjoyment of learning in this way.

Plus of course ~ Thank you to the tireless efforts of our valiant PTFA and volunteer mums who organised the Valentine's Disco last night and the delicious

Thank you also to all parents who donated cakes for the Yr6 children to sell ~ raising much appreciated funds for their Prom.

I have mentioned before, that Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) are key themes to the development of our engaging curriculum at Brookfield. This term our Yr3 classes found out about Rocks in a fun and active way with Mr Berry, a visiting expert!

Other Science visitors have also taken assemblies recently resulting in explosive noises coming from the hall followed by much excitement!!

The whole school took part in STEM activities for the whole day yesterday and the children have been set a challenge to complete over half-term.

Next term we will display their efforts and will also have the fantastic opportunity to meet with 10 visiting engineers who will be interviewed by the children.

As always, we promote the 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 and our Brookfield Buddies who have helped and cared for others.



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. They are:- Daisy Lawton and Finley Slack in Yr3, Honey Hughes and C-J Bartholomew-Thomas in Yr4, Joshua Bartholomew –Thomas and Andrew Brookes in Yr5 and Joshua Woolmer and Max Rowley in Yr6.

They have all enjoyed a Celebration Tea with Mrs Blewer, bringing an invited guest.

We have reached half-way through this academic year, and so we have been assessing our children's progress with regard to each year group expectations across the curriculum. We took examples of our children's Maths books to moderation meetings recently with 8 other Primary Schools and we are very proud of the good standard of work and neatness of presentation within our books. We will share them proudly with you at the Parent Consultation meetings next term.

Many visitors to Brookfield comment on the calm atmosphere around the school and the polite and well-mannered children. The 230 children who have been well behaved this term have enjoyed an extra playtime as a reward for keeping to our high standards and expectations.

It now just remains for me to wish you and your families a happy half-term break. We look forward to the children returning to school on Tuesday 21st February ~ Breakfast Club will start on the first day; School Clubs and Crazy Feet start the following week.

Thank you for your continued support

Yours sincerely

M J Blewer

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Head Teacher

Dates for your diaries

- 21.02.17 Pupils return to school (Term 4)
- 23.02.17 Science Fair ~ parents invited to view the exhibition 9-10am, 2-3.00pm
- 27.02.17 Brookfield Book Week + Book Fair
- 07.03.17 Yr5 trip to Harry Potter World
- 10.03.17 Cultural Day ~ Russia
- 16.03.17 Parent Consultations ~ 1.40-7.45pm
- 22.03.17 Mother's Day/Special Lady Secret Room ~ PTFA
- 23.03.17 Spelling Bee
- 24.03.17 Red Nose Day ~ fundraising activities and events for Comic Relief charity
- 27.03.17 Bring Your Mum/Special Lady to School ~ afternoon activities in class
- 30.03.17 Yr5 Easter assembly 9.00am ~ Yr5 parents only
- 30.03.17 Celebration Tea for Super Heroes
- 31.03.17 Term 4 ends

- 18.04.17 Term 5 starts
- 26.05.17 BROOKFIELD'S 50th GOLDEN PARTY
- 26.05.17 Term 5 ends

