



BROOKFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL

Head Teacher's End of Term Message

Term 4 ~ March 2016



Dear Parents and Carers

It may have been a short term ~ but we have certainly packed a variety of exciting activities into each week.

We began with our STEM day and the children took part in a variety of great activities requiring teamwork and STEM related skills. The Mayor enjoyed yet another visit to Brookfield; he awarded prizes for the challenge entries and generously donated three science-related gifts which will be put to good use across the school. The Science Fair was indeed a triumph and visiting parents and governors commented very positively about the children's enthusiasm and their confidence in explaining their activities and their models.

We are now taking part in further scientific schemes which include the Bird Box project. Follow the link <http://birdbox.seenature.org.uk/> to find out more ~ and to access the 'live stream' to see what's going on inside our Brookfield Bird Box!!

Book Week followed and to keep with the science theme, our children dressed up as 'discoverers'. Many of them purchased books from the book fair spending just over £400 which meant that we now have lots of new books in our class reading corners. There was also a reading challenge, a Book Day Quiz and visits to the local library.

Altogether 134 mums and special ladies visited on Bring Your Mum to School Day and your favourable comments show that you thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the activities with your child/children. Some of you also stayed for tea and cake, as organised by Contract Dining.

Then we enjoyed sponsored walks, photo booth sessions, making a special DVD and other fun activities which all helped to raise **over** £1000.00 ~ a staggering amount for Sport Relief. The children readily gave their time and support and we thank you for your generosity towards this charity.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the recent Parent Consultations. Our governors attended the evening and spoke with many of you. They were pleased to hear the positive comments regarding the children's enjoyment of school activities and the pleasing progress they are making.

Other activities this term have included a cultural afternoon learning all about life and traditions in Poland, the energetic dance display from the Crazy Feet dancers, workshops with Family Trust for Yr5 and of course the absolutely wonderful Easter Assembly led by Yr5.

As you can see, the whole Brookfield Staff Team has worked tirelessly to organise such exciting activities for the children and their families ~ and I thank them for their dedication and hard work.

Plus of course ~ Thank you to the tireless efforts of our valiant PTFA who organised the Easter Raffle (with its visually tempting display of goodies!).



Across the whole curriculum 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. They are:- Nia Williams and Elisha May in Yr3, Lexcia Jarvis and Nancy Brooks in Yr4, Matthew Brookes and Harry Hollman in Yr5, Kiera Annan and Elle Peters in Yr6. They have all enjoyed a Celebration Tea with Mrs Blewer, bringing an invited guest.

Once again ~ we are proud of the children's good behaviour, and 229 children have enjoyed an extra playtime as a reward for keeping to our high standards and expectations throughout this term.

It now just remains for me to wish you and your families a happy Easter Holiday. We look forward to the children returning to school on Monday 11th April ~ 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

11.04.16 ~ Pupils return
20.04.16 ~ Parents Consultations ~ Nightingale Class only
21.04.16 ~ Celebrating the Queen's birthday and St George's Day (details to follow)
21.04.16 ~ PTFA Film night
02.05.16 ~ May Day ~ Bank Holiday
09.05.16 – 13.05.16 ~ SATs Week ~ Yr6
19.05.16 ~ Yr6 visit to Horton Kirby (details to follow)
20.05.16 ~ PTFA Pyjama day
20.05.16 ~ Yr3 Assembly ~ Yr3 parents
26.05.16 ~ Celebration Tea for Super Heroes
27.05.16 ~ Term 5 ends (Yr5 'sleep-over' ~ details to follow)

06.06.16 ~ Term 6 starts
15.06.16 ~ Sports Day
17.06.16 ~ Bring your Dad to school afternoon
24.06.16 ~ Staff development day (no children in school)
27.06.16 – 01.07.16 ~ Yr6 residential visit to Isle of Wight
01.07.16 ~ Yr4 assembly ~ Yr4 parents
04.07.16 – 08.07.16 ~ Transition Week
07.07.16 ~ PTFA Film Night
14.07.16 ~ Summer Fun afternoon for Yrs 3, 4, 5
15.07.16 ~ Yr6 Prom
19.07.16 - 20.07.16 ~ Yr6 Play performances
21.07.16 ~ Yr6 Prize Giving
22.07.16 ~ Term 6 ends

