



# BROOKFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL

## Head Teacher's End of Term Message Term 5 ~ May 2015



Dear Parents and Carers

Term 5 was indeed a short term, yet was packed full of activities and fun, nevertheless!!

It has also been a special time for our staff. I'm sure you will have recognised the efficiency and professionalism of Miss Dean, our Receptionist and we are extremely proud to announce that she has been chosen as the Top Support Staff Colleague of the Year across the schools in West Kent. She attended an evening of glitz and glamour at Leeds Castle recently to receive her special award which is proudly on display in her office ~ look out for it next time you come through the front doors! We have also welcomed Katie Till, our new Family Liaison Officer. I know that many of you have already met with her and for those who would like to make contact for a chat or for help and support, her mobile number is 07870354223.

This term children in all classes across the school have enjoyed cultural afternoons learning about life and traditions in Kenya. They also gave their full support to help Yr6 raise funds for their Prom by taking part in a variety of different playtime activities ~ throwing water at their friends proved very popular indeed!!! Meanwhile Yr3 children have started to improve their swimming skills and we have all enjoyed wearing our pyjamas to school today!

In particular it was 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.

Across the curriculum we promote learning skills that will enable our children to develop their potential and make good progress. We congratulate our Mighty Mathematicians, our Super Spellers and our Learning Heroes. 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 Term 5, they are:- Bradley Ralph and Ben Ventham in Yr3, Georgie Tolley and Joshua Gunner in Yr4, Stephenie Dyer and Elizabeth Wright in Yr5 and Ellie Witton and Alfie Golding in Yr6. They all enjoyed a Celebration Tea with Mrs Blewer, bringing an invited guest. We are also proud of the 228 children who were well behaved in Term 5 ~ they enjoyed an extra playtime as a reward for keeping to our high standards and expectations.



At the beginning of term we held a Parents Coffee afternoon to share the changes to our school curriculum. Feedback from those of you who attended has been very positive and helpful. We were also pleased to see enthusiastic volunteers for our afternoon session of 'Reading with the children'. We are hoping to increase and develop the emphasis and enjoyment of this key skill for our children and we welcome your support.

If you were unable to attend either of these sessions, please note that we will be putting the PowerPoints and handouts in the News and Events section of our school website ~ do take a look in the Parents Information section to keep yourself up-to-date with all that is happening here.

The weather has certainly been changeable these past few weeks, but we are hopeful of some sunnier days next term. As a reminder ~ we provide a Brookfield blue school cap for all our children; in this way we can ensure their safety in the sun and their safety in terms of the design. The cap is part of our school uniform to be worn at school during playtimes and lunchtimes, and also for easy identification on school trips.

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

The children in Nightingale Class will be welcoming the return of Mrs Atkins ~ though they have thoroughly enjoyed being taught by Miss Birkett for the past term.

On 19<sup>th</sup> June we will be saying goodbye to Miss Snuggs who is leaving us to take up a language teaching position and then continuing her studies to become a teacher. We wish her well for the future.

For those of you who have been wondering ~ Yes, Mrs Mercanton does have some exciting news ~ she is expecting another baby (she has not been eating too many doughnuts!!).

In the meantime I wish you and your families an enjoyable half-term break.

We look forward to the children returning to school on Monday 1<sup>st</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

01.06.15 Term 6 starts  
04.06.15 Yr6 ~ Outing to Roman Museums in Canterbury  
11.06.15 IOW meeting for Yr6 parents ~ 6pm  
15.06.15-19.06.15 Health and Fitness week  
17.06.15 Sports Day  
18.06.15 Reserve Sports Day  
22.06.15 Bring your Dad to School Day  
26.06.15 Yr4 Assembly ~ Yr4 parents only  
29.06.15-3.07.15 Yr6 IOW Residential visit

02.07.15 Yr2 Parents Meeting ~ 6-7pm  
06.07.15-10.07.15 Transition Week  
09.07.15 PTFA Film Nite ~ Yr2 and Yr3 only  
10.07.15 Reports go home  
14.07.15 Yr6 Play Performance to parents  
15.07.15 Yr6 Play Performance to parents  
16.07.15 PTFA Summer Party ~ Yr3, Yr4, Yr5  
17.07.15 Yr6 Prom  
20.07.15 Yr6 Prize Giving evening  
21.07.15 Parent Helpers ~ Thank You ~ 2pm  
22.07.15 Super Heroes Celebration Tea  
24.07.15 Last day of term

## Academic year 2015-2016

03.09.15 Staff development day  
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07.09.15 Term 1 begins

