

# **Brookside Primary School**

**Every Child Counts**Newsletter Summer Term Issue 1

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the summer term, we hope you all had a good Easter break despite the wet weather.

## **Curriculum letters**

You should have all received a letter and curriculum map from your child's teacher via email. These letters inform you of any important information about this term and the curriculum map contains detail of what your child will be learning in each subject this term. If you did not receive a letter then please let the school office know.

#### Clubs

We are grateful to staff for volunteering to run clubs this term. Start dates for clubs offered are the week beginning Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and the last club is on 29<sup>th</sup> June. There will be no clubs during July due to other events taking place. Children will receive letters about the clubs from the teacher leading the club, which you will need to return to them. If your child is not attending the club for any reason, please let the teacher leading the club know so that you are not called to enquire where your child is. Children who attended a club last term which is continuing will not need to sign up again.

Teacher	Day	Club	Year Groups	Where	Pick Up Point
Mr Harrison	Tuesday	Football	3/4	Field	Yr ¾ door
Mr Plumbe	Wednesday	Striking Games Club	KS1	Field	KS1
Miss Sadie	Thursday – 3pm – 4.30pm	Choir	KS2	Art room	3/4
Mrs Cooper	Tuesday 3 until 4pm	Drama and Musical Club	5/6	Classroom	5/6 door
Mrs Flack	Tuesday	Gardening Club	KS1	KS1	KS1
Mr Watt	Wednesdays after half term	Cricket	KS2	Field	KS2
Mrs Martin	Wednesday	Creative Club	KS1	BM Classroom	BM classroom
Miss Wise	Wednesday	KOBS	KS1/KS2	Classroom	Y3/4
Mrs Davies / Miss Lewis	Wednesday	Film Club until 3.45pm	Reception	EYFS	EYFS
Miss Mooney	Tuesday	Film Club	Y5/6	RM Classroom	Y5/6

#### SATs

Year 6 will be taking their SATs during the week 14th—18th May. During this week we will provide breakfast for all Year 6 pupils in the community room, which the children really enjoy.

#### **Attendance and Holidays**

Thank you to those parents and children who have worked hard to ensure that their child's attendance has remained high throughout the winter months. As we enter the spring and summer we hope to see attendance across the school increase as pupils are generally healthier during the warmer weather.

With that in mind, please be mindful of the guidance concerning term times holidays. Children should not be taken out of school during term time for family holidays or days out. Permission for absence will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Any requests should be made in writing. Absence from school without permission is called 'unauthorised absence'. Brookside School is committed to ensuring that our children are in school regularly as this has a positive impact on their learning and progress.

The parents of pupils whose attendance falls below 95% will receive a letter outlining their child's current attendance at school. This letter is sent to inform parents of the number of days which their child has had off school since September. Please contact Mr Watt should you have any questions about your child's attendance.

# **Social Media**

It has come to our attention recently that a number of children are accessing social media platforms. Age restrictions for social media platforms are there for very good reason – to keep children safe. The majority of popular social media sites have a minimum age rating of 13.

If your child is accessing these sites, then they may be accessing unsuitable material and could be putting themselves at risk. If you would like help talking this through with your child then please let us know.

NSPCC has developed a very useful website for parents <a href="https://www.net-aware.org.uk">https://www.net-aware.org.uk</a>
This site gives details about each social media platform, age restrictions and the views of children and parents.

#### **House Event**

Congratulations to Mars who won this week's house event which involved all houses making a banner for Sports Day which represented their entire house. The children thoroughly enjoyed the event which took place on Thursday. Thank you to the adults in the house as well for their hard work in producing four high quality banners.

# Attendance The winners this week are class— CS MR SIMPSON

Class	Week Ending 20th April
BM	96.84 %
DF	93.70 %
CP	91.85 %
AW	91.27%
LD	95.49%
FH	91.28 %
CT	93.31 %
RM/TS	95.40 %
CS	98.02 %

## **FOOTBALL**

On the hottest day of the year so far, the Brookside boys played their 5th game of the Bicester schools football league against Southwold. It really was a scorcher! The first quarter (we played four quarters for drinks breaks!) didn't really go our way at all. The opposition played some excellent football and our boys didn't really get going at all. Southwold hit the cross bar, with Seb also pulling off some super saves.

Brookside went one nil down when Southwold's best player hit a strike from long range into the top corner of the goal. Seb had no chance and the goal matched the scorching weather!

As the game went on, we continued to create chances, with Finn forcing a good save from their goalkeeper and Finlay hitting the post.

Fortunately, we scored just before the half time break. Finlay went on one of his rampaging runs and slotted the ball into the bottom corner.

The second half was a very two-sided game with both teams defending well to keep the other out. Seb continued to make some fantastic saves and Gabrielle and Alex played calmly at the back throughout the second half. Just when both teams probably thought that the game was over and a draw was inevitable, up stepped the captain (again!). Finlay jinked past three players, including the goal keeper and passed the ball into an empty net for the winner!

Well done to our boys for another outstanding win and for showing fantastic attitudes again!

Brookside: Seb, Alex, Gabrielle, Chanju, Finn, Finlay (2), Jack, Cameron Man of the Match: Cameron for a tireless display in the middle of the park!

Brookside 2 - 1 Southwold Match report by Mr Plumbe

# **FOBS**

We will be holding a uniform sale on 11th May @ 230pm-330pm. Please can you bring in any unwanted uniform to the school office.

# Dates for your diary

Monday 7th May May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 28th May Half Term

Monday 4th June INSET Day—school closed Wednesday 6th June Whole School Photograph Thursday 21st June Festival of Voices (Choir)

Monday 2nd July KS1 and KS2 Sports Day (1:00 p.m.)
Wednesday 4th July EYFS Sports Day (10:30 a.m./1:30 p.m.)

Saturday 7th July FOBS Summer Fete

Wednesday 11th July KS2 performance (6:00 p.m.) Thursday 12th July KS2 performance (6:00 p.m.)

Monday 23rd July EYFS/KS1 Final Assembly (9:15 a.m.)

Year 3/4/5 Final Assembly (2:15 p.m.)

Tuesday 24th July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9:15 a.m.)

End of Term (3:00 p.m.)

Tuesday 25th July INSET Day—school closed

Best wishes,

Mr N Cornell