



# Brookside Primary School

*Every Child Counts*

**Newsletter Summer Term Issue 2**

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Dear Parents,

## **Pedestrian Access/Parking**

A reminder that parents and children should not be entering the school site via the double vehicle gates. Recently there have been a few near misses with cars and other vehicles. Please use the pedestrian gate when entering the school from Bucknell Road. The single yellow line parking restrictions are now in force on the Bucknell Road so please obey these when dropping/collecting children. Thank you.

## **Drama performance**

On Tuesday, the children in the drama and musical club performed in front of their parents. The performance included two songs from the musical Matilda, as well as sketches the children wrote, directed and performed themselves from parts of the book. Their enthusiasm, confidence and hard work shone throughout the performance and they deserved the loud round of applause received at the end from the parents.

## **GB athlete visit – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Marilyn Okoro worked with ALL the children from Brookside school after an assembly where she did an inspirational talk about her journey. She talked about resilience and preservation and how she has applied it in her own life. Her story is quite remarkable, and she is truly very inspiring! All the children did some circuit training as well as other exercises with Marilyn and each and everyone loved it. Marilyn was particularly impressed with how organised the day was and how well behaved our children were. Please can you now start sending in your child's sponsor form and money. Remember all the children that manage to bring in some sponsor money will get rewarded and those who have raised the most will get bigger prizes. Thank you for your continued support in sport.

## **Football Report**

What a way to end the season! We travelled to Longfields Primary school to play our final game of the Bicester schools' football league. The boys were excited to try and end their season with a 100% record and it didn't start in the best way. We conceded within the first two minutes and it was the shock that we needed. From that moment, we played some fantastic football and created chance after chance. Luckily we equalised fairly quickly and if it wasn't for the opposition goalkeeper making some great saves, we would have led much earlier.

The boys played some fantastic football and every attack looked like something out of a Brazilian coaching manual. Our 'front' four were sublime - Finn, Finlay, Chanju and Cameron made the game of football look effortless. Once we got our second, the flood gates opened. Five goals for our captain Finlay, one for Jack, one for Finn and one for man of the match Chanju. Chanju was absolutely amazing throughout the whole game. He battled, he ran, he dribbled, he crossed, he scored! Well done Chanju for an outstanding performance. The final score was 8 - 3 to Brookside and well done to Longfields for never giving up and showing super attitudes throughout the game.

## **Season Summary**

With our final game of the season complete, I want to say a few things about the season overall. The boys have come such a long way in the seven games they have played this year. They have become a real team, full of players with fantastic attitudes. They have never once given up and have stuck together in every game they have played this year. Their application at football club has been the catalyst for the season they have had. Every week they turned up, worked hard, had fun and made my Wednesday afternoons thoroughly enjoyable. It has been so pleasing to see that when other teams struggled to manage their behaviour and attitudes, our boys always remained positive and focussed on their own performances and behaviour.

This group of boys have played some outstanding football and I am proud to have been able to share their victories and help them to become better footballers.

Well done for your hard work Finlay, Jack, Cameron, Finn, Seb, Chanju, Alex, Leo, Charlie and Gabrielle. Good luck to the year sixes next year. Year fives now you must take this great season into next. Thank you to all the parents and family who have supported the boys and myself throughout the year. (Mr Plumbe)

## **School Swimming**

At Brookside we are pleased to offer pupils swimming as part of our PE curriculum from Y2-Y6. Swimming is part of the PE curriculum and we are supported in delivering these sessions by two swimming teachers who are employed by the sports centre. Sadly, the manager at the sports centre has shared with us that some parents were impolite to members of staff at the sports centre. As a result, parents are no longer allowed to stand in the gallery area which is accessed from the café area. Can we also please remind parents that no photos are allowed to be taken at any time in the sports centre. Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe.

## **Battery Hunt**

Our Big Battery Hunt competition has now closed and we await to hear the results and winning competitors from the National Schools Partnership. Thank you so much for your fantastic efforts in collecting and recycling used batteries as a school we raised in excess of 15,000 batteries. A huge thank you also to members of KOBs, led by Reuben Baston who worked endlessly to collect, recycle and count the batteries during their lunchtimes! Some children around the school made an exceptional effort in collecting batteries and their entries have been entered into the Big Battery Hunt competition; Jacob L (CP), Emily L (AW), Alisha B (CP) and Dylan M. Although the Big Battery Hunt competition is now closed our school will still have a battery collecting bin and will welcome any used batteries that you wish to be recycled. Keep a look out for KOB's next recycling competition, coming soon!

## Attendance

The winners this week are class— LD—MRS DUNCAN

Class	Week ending 27/04/18	Week ending 04/05/18
BM	95.00 %	91.73 %
DF	94.29 %	96.84 %
CP	98.67 %	99.26 %
AW	96.43 %	87.22%
LD	96.07 %	100.00 %
FH	98.15 %	96.25 %
CT	93.00 %	94.46 %
RM/TS	95.86 %	95.06 %
CS	97.50 %	97.22 %

## FOBS—Pennies in the bucket

A marked flexi-bucket will be put in each classroom from the 11th May, and we are asking for all children to bring in their small change, as and when they get it.

Each week, each class total will be announced in the Friday assembly. We will have a trophy to hand out on a weekly basis and at the end of every term, the class who has won the trophy the most times will win a voucher for their class to spend.

At the end of every year, we will award a STAR PRIZE to the class with the most money - this year it is a class trip to Nando's to eat!

## Summer Uniform

As the weather warms up I am sure that a number of parents will be taking the opportunity to purchase summer uniform. Brookside School uniform consists of:

- A pair of sensible outdoor shoes which are suitable for school activities such as running and playing
- A white or red polo shirt or white shirt
- A red sweatshirt or cardigan
- Black or dark grey school trousers, skirt or tailored shorts
- Plain tights or socks
- A gingham red/white summer dress or grey pinafore dress
- Black school plimsolls for inside the school building.

Uniform with the school logo on can be purchased from the school office and this uniform increases the sense of identity within the school. Any skirt, dress or pinafore needs to be of a reasonable length.

PE kit consists of:

- A house coloured Brookside PE T-shirt (available from the office)
- Black shorts
- Training shoes for outdoor games
- Tracksuit trousers and warm top for outdoor games and cold weather

PE kit should be in school each day as teachers may change the day of PE depending on the weather forecast for the week.

Make up of any kind is not permitted and long hair should be tied back if it is touching the shoulders.

Thank you for your continued support with school uniform and your help in maintaining the high standards at Brookside.

## 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 (12:30 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

*Friends of Brookside School (FOBS)*  
presents  
***Pennies in the Pot***  
***Challenge***

***Can your class collect the most coins?***

*Everyone has some unwanted change at home - under the sofa, tossed into drawers, even in your pockets and wallets.....*

*Your small change can make a HUGE difference!*

***Put it to good use***

***Give it to your child to add to the pot in their classroom.***

***The class with the most copper coins wins a prize!***

