



# Brookside Primary School

*Every Child Counts*

Newsletter Spring Term Issue 6

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Dear Parents,

At the end of term next week, Mrs James will be leaving Brookside to start her retirement. Mrs James has worked as a teaching assistant for the last 26 years helping children with their learning. Mrs James also coordinates our library and our archive gallery of photographs and other artefacts. In addition to this Mrs James has been on a number of residential with the children of Brookside and regularly takes classes on historical tours of Bicester sharing her wealth of local knowledge. We will all really miss Mrs James and would like to thank her for her 26 years of hard work and dedication to the children and families of Brookside.

## Parents' Evenings

We look forward to seeing you at Monday and Tuesday's parents' evenings. As usual, children's books will be available for you to look at before or after your appointment with your child's teacher.

## After School Clubs

A reminder that this is the final week for after school clubs run by teaching staff. They will re-start on during the week beginning Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, apart from clubs run by Mr Harrison and Mrs Duncan which will restart week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May. Clubs will take place each week and will finish during the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

After School Club will continue to run each day that school is open and booking for this can be made through Mrs Hekimova by emailing [afterschoolclub@brookside.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:afterschoolclub@brookside.oxon.sch.uk). It is essential that you book your child's place at After School Club by midday so that we can ensure we have ordered enough food and have enough members of staff available to run the club as some days the club is now very busy.

## Swimming

No classes will be swimming next week. Class AW, FH, LD and CC will be swimming from 23<sup>rd</sup> April until half term.

## Staff News

Mrs Baker, who currently works in EYFS, has been appointed as our new key stage 1 teaching assistant. Mrs Baker will start this role after Easter and will be working across key stage 1.

Mrs Smith starts her maternity leave next Friday. Miss Mooney will be teaching the class full time during Mrs Smith maternity leave.

## School meals

On the first day back at school after the Easter break the school lunch menu will be as below:

Red – pepperoni pizza

Green – margherita pizza

Blue – jacket potato with cheese

The new menu will be served from the Wednesday and can be viewed here by clicking this [link](#).

## Final Assemblies

The Spring term final assemblies are next week. EYYS and key stage 1 children's assembly is at 9:15 a.m. and key stage 2 at 2:15 p.m. in the sports hall. We hope you are able to join us for these assemblies.

## Football Match Report

On a glorious Spring afternoon, the Brookside football team made the short journey to Bure Park to play their third game of the season. We knew that we would have a tough task as Bure Park always offer up a tough opposition. The game was slightly delayed but when it did start, it was very scrappy. Neither team could string any passes together and it wasn't the usual free flowing football that we expect from our boys.

Ten minutes or so into the game, no one took responsibility of the ball in our area and their striker poked it home from close range. We continued to battle on with Finn making some good runs up top. Chanju battled and battled throughout the first half to win the ball back and get us playing. It was great to see our boys being so supportive of one another and did not let their heads go down. Just before half time, Seb sent one of his famous long kicks down the pitch, where Finn was waiting. He left his marker and slotted expertly into the bottom corner. The score at half time was 1-1.

As the second half started, the boys didn't react well to another scrappy bit of play in our area, and Bure Park took the lead again. The game produced lots of moments where we defended well, with Oscar standing out with his calm and measured approach to defending. As the game was almost over, the Bure Park striker broke away and made the score 3-1. When the final whistle blew, the boys were disappointed as the result wasn't a fair reflection of the game. I was really proud of the boys again and it was great to see them leaving with smiles on their faces despite the result. (Mr Plumbe)

Bure Park 3 - 1 Brookside

Finn (c) (1), Seb, Jack B, Jack M, Chanju, Isaac, Oakley, Elliott, Brayden and Oscar.

MOM - Oscar

## Attendance

Well done to the classes who had the highest attendance during the last two weeks.

Class	Week beginning 18th March	Week beginning 25th March
BM	99%	97%
DF/NS	97%	98%
CP	98%	97%
AW	96%	97%
LD	95%	96%
FH	99%	95%
CC	98%	95%
RM/TS	98%	96%
CS	96%	89%

## Dates for your diary

Monday 1st April	Parents' Evening
Tuesday 2nd April	Parents' Evening
Friday 5th April	Final Assembly 9:15 a.m. EYFS and KS1 Final Assembly 2:15 p.m. KS2 End of term (3:00 p.m. finish)
Monday 1st July	Sports Day KS1/KS2 a.m.
Wednesday 3rd July	EYFS Sports Day a.m./p.m.
Wednesday 17th July	KS2 Performance 5:30 p.m.
Thursday 18th July	KS2 Performance 5:30 p.m.
Monday 22nd July	EYFS/KS1 final assembly 9:15 a.m. Year 3,4 and 5 final assembly 2:15 p.m.
Tuesday 23rd July	Year 6 Leavers' assembly 9:15 a.m.

Best wishes,

Mr Cornell