

parents newsletter



1st November 2023

Dear Parents,

Where are the Heroes of today? Marcus Rashford said: 'To me, a hero is someone who inspires a person to want to do better'. Whether an actor you've seen on the television or a sports person, family member or a friend, heroes quite simply can be found everywhere and they will impact our lives in many rich and different ways.

At Brooklands we aim to introduce our children to many different heroes. Whether it's reading about inspirational people or celebrating Difference Makers in school. When we invite and welcome visitors to the school, we hope that these people will inspire our children to make a difference. We want our children to look to the people around them and take inspiration from them. We want to show them how they can start finding real-life heroes in their lives, encouraging them to be their best self and make a difference to the world around them. At the HEART of Brooklands is a phrase "Be the Best you can Be". This is more than a saying, but an integral part of what Brooklands represents and is ever more present when we reflect on those who inspire and motivate us.

We also want our children to inspire the people around them. To be someone who is kind, brave and always trying their best. A person who cares a lot about others and who tries to help when possible. A person who doesn't mind taking on big challenges, even when they sound scary. I hope that one day our children will go on to share their own amazing story with others and be the heroes of tomorrow.

Christine Davy
Headteacher

Due to Expansion

Following an increase in our pupil admission number in our youngest classes, we still have spaces in Early Years and Year 1. If you know of anyone looking for a school place, ask them to contact our school office.

Reading Adventures

We have recently purchased a range of fiction books linked to our Accelerated Reader programme. These books are suitable for Year 2 to Year 6 children. Look out for new titles coming home.

From Little Acorns...

Keen to inspire our children to make a difference we had a volunteer visit this week from the Acorn Charity Shop in Manningtree. They shared the value of donating and purchasing from charity shops, and how there are so many benefits; from reducing waste into landfill sites, reducing fast fashion, upcycling and shopping locally. We encourage our families to make donations and purchase at local charity shops where possible.

Make a Noise!

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 will take place from Monday 13th - Friday 17th November. The theme is Make A Noise About Bullying. Our children will come together to have discussions about what bullying means to us and what we can do to stop bullying.

Waving Our Flag

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the Rainbow Flag Award in recognition of our approach to the positive inclusion and visibility of LGBTQ+ people. This makes us the first school in Suffolk to achieve this accreditation. The Assessors commented on how 'It is clear that the school is passionate about embedding LGBTQ+ inclusivity into all areas of the curriculum.'

A big thank you goes to everyone, from parents to staff, children to supporters for helping us achieve this award.

Time Is Running Out

It has been great welcoming new families to Brooklands. If you would like your child to start at Brooklands in September 2024 applications need to be made by 15th January 2024.