

parents newsletter



4th November 2019

Dear Parents,

The Swedish 16-year-old climate activist Greta Thunberg is inspiring youth around the world to become “eco-warriors” and act for the environment and we are seeing our very own “Thunberg Effect” at Brooklands. Here at Brooklands we are passionate about giving children a voice and the chance to make a difference. We believe that children need to start learning about the challenges facing our planet as young as possible. If they’re brought up understanding that we all share responsibility they are more likely to grow up as socially responsible citizens who care about finding solutions. To this end we work hard to offer a curriculum that provides hands-on opportunities for our children to learn about the world around them and bring about positive change. This also requires our children to come up with local solutions to real-world problems, which they can then implement. We encourage our children to look at everything from cutting waste at school to learning about pollution. We hope that our curriculum inspires our children to make a difference to their community whilst developing their skills of leadership and teamwork.

If you have a passion for environmental issues, we are looking to hear from parents who are keen to work with our children to make a difference to our school community. If this resonates with you, please get in touch.

Best wishes

Christine Davy

Brooklands Fundraising

If you have an idea for raising funds for the school, we would really like to hear about it. Whether it is something on your own or with a group of friends or as a class. All ideas welcome. Have a chat about it with your child’s class teacher. It’s a great way to get behind supporting the school.

Housekeeping

Whenever possible, we ask parents to make every effort to avoid making medical or dental appointments during the school day and try to arrange these during school holidays. We do appreciate that this is not always possible. Please also remember that it is parents’ responsibility to collect their child from school, take them to appointments and bring them back once their appointment is over. Where appointments are in school time it is a requirement that we hold evidence of their appointment for school records.

Skipping Through The Year

All our classes have been getting active with Dan the Skipping Man, helping us to make playtimes active. Brooklands has also purchased skipping ropes and more skipping workshops will be coming throughout the year.

New Intake 2020/2021 Reminder

If you have a child starting school in September, you can now apply online for a school place at www.suffolk.gov.uk. Applications need to be made by 15th January 2020. If you would like to arrange a tour of the school please contact the school office.

Who To Speak To?

To support Brooklands in responding effectively to parents needing to raise a concern I have attached guidance which helps to detail who to talk to if you have any concerns. In nearly all cases, your class teacher is the best person to contact initially if you have any questions or concerns.

OMAT Spotlight

Leaders within Orwell Multi Academy Trust are planning a number of activities across the schools aimed at children with curriculum strengths in areas such as music, art and drama. We hope that these sessions will challenge our children in these creative subjects and provide them with the opportunity to try new things.

Jumping Into Autumn

Just a reminder if you are purchasing jumpers and cardigans these need to have the school logo on and can be purchased online at www.pmgsschoolwear.co.uk.