

parents newsletter



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Dear Parents,

There is a lovely African proverb that says that 'It takes a village to raise a child' which encapsulates beautifully the shared responsibility each of us within our entire community has in supporting and developing our children and shaping their future.

Our family lives might be different and have changed significantly over time but whether a volunteer, parent, teacher, coach or visitor to the school you can make an overwhelming difference to our children at Brooklands. There are many ways parents can get involved. You can support our children in making a positive and meaningful contribution to their community by sharing local activities and helping to promote and foster our children as Difference Makers. This weekend saw many of our children taking part in a parent-led litter pick in Brantham. You can also support our drive to re-establish the wide range of rich experiences open to our children post COVID-19 by volunteering on trips and supporting with financial contributions. Your support this term has already resulted in trips to the Suffolk Owl Sanctuary and Ipswich Museum to learn about the Egyptians. You can also get behind us by supporting fundraising activities whether it's helping to organise an event or joining us in support of an event from cake sales to discos. Together we enrich our lives and expand experiences.

Christine Davy
Headteacher

Applications Are Now Open!

For parents with children starting school in September 2022 you can now apply online for a school place at www.suffolk.gov.uk. If you live in Essex you can apply online from 8th November at www.essex.gov.uk.

If you would like a tour of the school please contact the school to arrange. We are also holding an information evening on 6th October at 6.00pm.

The Importance of Reading

Developing a passion for reading is crucial to your child's success and will help them progress through school and beyond. From expanding vocabulary to building independence and self-confidence. Reading helps children learn to make sense not only of the world around them but also people, building social-emotional skills and of course, imagination. Supporting your child's reading at home and making this a daily routine is invaluable and to help you we have even more new books to help engage and excite our young readers.

Trying Something New

We recently relaunched this year's Club Market providing our children with the chance to meet representatives from many local clubs in our community.

Brooklands' Priorities

This week we are accompanying the newsletter with our school priorities for the year ahead. If you would like to find out more information and how you can support our goals we are holding information sessions on 4th November at 9.00am and 6.00pm.

Flourishing With Ambition

Developing and supporting our 3 Early Career Teachers (ECTs): Kirsty Haddock, Paige Allen and Rebecca Devine is a key focus for the teaching team this year. With the help of the Ambition Institute evidence-based approach our ECTs will be immersed in bespoke support and mentoring to help them develop and flourish in their new careers.

Celebrating Success

Brooklands has recently achieved the Primary Geography Quality Mark (Silver). The award recognises the amazing things we are doing and supports us with extending our influence and expertise beyond Brooklands to support and engage with the wider community. But we are not stopping here as we are also working towards achieving the Career Mark Primary Award. Actively working towards supporting our children in identifying and exploring career aspirations. As part of this journey we will be celebrating National Careers Week 2022.