

Dear all,

Plenty to update you on this week as we are quickly approaching the end of term. There's some reminders and some news updates too.

Inset Day – Monday 4th July. Please remember that school is closed to pupils due to staff training on Monday. Staff will be spending the day planning for the next academic year. School will be open as usual on Tuesday and will be unaffected by the national teachers' strike.

Dinner money and Breakfast club – Please ensure all outstanding payments are met as soon as possible. Miss Hinds and Mrs Smith are very keen to collect outstanding dinner money and breakfast club money as soon as possible.

Summer fayre – Wednesday 6th July. Please keep sending in items for the Summer fayre. We are really looking forward to this event and hope that you will be able to join us for this. We will start this event at 3.30pm so please come and see what's on offer. There are plenty of surprises in store!

Transition to next year – This morning all of the children moved up into their new classes with their new teachers for the morning. They had a great morning and enjoyed being with new friends and new adults too. Part of the morning was spent deciding on the new class name for September. In the New Year, all of our classes are going to be linked to space and astronomy in keeping with our philosophy that all children shine at Brooklands. Once these have been finalised I will be happy to share these with you. In the meantime, you could ask the children to give you a sneak preview of their new class names.

Staff changes for September – At the end of term we will be very sorry to see the following staff leave Brooklands; Mrs Baker will take up a new post with the George Spencer Academy Trust & Mrs McHale will be leaving us to take up a new post at a school in Derby. Mrs Parsons & Mrs Bailey will also be leaving the teaching staff. Miss Nall (TA) will be leaving Brooklands to start a teaching qualification (PGCE) and after many years on the Staff of Brooklands, Mrs Fretwell will be retiring. Mrs Pickersgill will start her maternity leave over the summer months too. I would like to thank all of the staff who are leaving for their service to Brooklands and wish them every success in the future.

We will be welcoming some new staff to the Brooklands team in September too. In reception we welcome Mrs Johnson and Miss Barks, Mr Leach will be joining the Y2 team, Mr Bingham

will be joining the Y4 team and Miss Bisknell will be joining the Year 5 team. We are also pleased to be able to welcome Miss Fellows back in September in a new role as Associate Teacher.

Classes for September 2016 are as follows:

Nursery: Miss Mather

Reception Classes: Mrs Johnson & Miss Barks

Year 1 – Miss Plumb & Mrs Bezant

Year 2 – Mrs Pappa & Mr Leach

Year 3 – Miss Hill & Miss Rogers / Mrs East

Year 4 – Miss Leivars & Mr Bingham

Year 5 – Mrs Harby & Miss Bisknell

Year 6 – Mrs Hampson & Mrs Miller / Mrs McBrayne

The link to see our 'Stars of the week' for this week is:

<http://www.brooklands.derbyshire.sch.uk/news-events/stars-week>

Dates for the rest of the school year:

Upcoming events:

Monday 4th July – School closed – INSET day.

Wednesday 6th July – Summer Fayre

Thursday 7th July – Reception school trip to Attenborough Nature Reserve.

Thursday 7th July – Key Stage 1 Sports afternoon – 2pm

Thursday 7th July – Uniform Pop-up shop 3pm – 6pm

Friday 8th July – Maths Problem Solving Day. (Parents welcome from 2.15pm)

Friday 8th July – HT Coffee morning

Wednesday 13th July – Summer Music Evening 5.30pm

Wednesday 13th July – Y5 performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream (2pm)

Thursday 14th July – Y5 Performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream (5.45pm)

Friday 15th July – KS2 Sports Day – 9.15am

Friday 15th July – School reports out to parents

Tuesday 19th July – EYFS / KS1 Disco – 3.30 – 4.30pm

Wednesday 20th July – 'Y6 Treat' day

Wednesday 20th July – Open evening to meet the new class teachers (from 3.15 – 4.30)

Thursday 21st July – Y3/4 Disco 3.30 – 4.30pm

Y5/6 Disco 5 – 6pm

Monday 25th July – Y6 performance – afternoon

Tuesday 26th July – Y6 performance – morning

Tuesday 26th July – End of School Term

Monday 5th September – Staff Training day

Tuesday 6th September – New term starts

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Thanks for all your on-going support for the school.

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