



**HAPPY
NEW YEAR!
2017**

Update from –6th January 2017

Dear all,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope that you have had a good break and are now back into routine following the festive period. It has been great to welcome all of the children back into school this week, although we have had some tired faces and I know that everyone is ready for the weekend!

***Junior Chef's Academy** – This week we have had a visit from the Junior Chef's Academy for some of the older children in school. This was part of the prize from the Tesco Design a bag competition. The children had a session with a professional chef and used tropical fruit to make a Tropical Fruit Crunch. They learnt all about how to chop food, as well as food hygiene and aspects of nutrition. It was great fun and a great experience for all involved.*

***Homework Club** – Due to the success of last term's homework club, we will be continuing into the spring term. Unfortunately, homework club hasn't worked as well for Reception children, therefore the spring homework clubs will be for KS1 and KS2 only. We will assess whether Reception children will be able to access homework club in the summer term. The clubs are open to all children in KS1 and KS2, especially those who are not confident at completing their homework at home. As parents/carers you are also welcome to attend in order to gain a better understanding of how your child is taught at school, for example the different methods of calculation: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.*

If you would like your child to attend there is a letter on the school website that you should complete. Here is the link: <http://www.brooklands.derbyshire.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/HWClub-letter-Dec16.pdf>. The clubs will run from Thursday 12th January 2017. Places are limited so names will be drawn 'out of a hat'. We do not operate a 'first come, first served' basis. – Miss Rogers.

***Empty Milk Cartons required** – The reception classes are currently building an indoor igloo from 2 litre milk cartons, so we would like to ask you to bring in your empty milk cartons to contribute. Mrs Smith or Miss Hinds will gladly take the cartons from you in the school office and send them down to the reception class. Please rinse the cartons before sending them into school. Thank you – Mrs Johnson*

Reminder HT Coffee Morning 13/1/17 – The next coffee morning will be next Friday. Miss Hill will be coming along to share resources from the new Sex and Relationships Education Curriculum. Please come along and see some resources and look at the policy. It will be held in the music room.

Best Wishes,

*Ceri Hathaway
Headteacher*

*The link to see our 'Stars of the week' for this week is:
<http://www.brooklands.derbyshire.sch.uk/news-events/stars-week>*

Also, please don't forget to keep up to date via Twitter @brooklandsprim1 & Facebook.

Amended / additional dates:

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- Friday 13th January – Head Teacher Coffee Morning (Miss Hill – SRE)*
- Friday 13th January – pm whole school performance of 'Notre Dame' by M&M school productions.*
- Wednesday 8th February – Full Governor's meeting.*
- Friday 10th February – Break up for Half Term.*
- Monday 20th February – Back to School.*
- Thursday 23rd February – Head Teacher Coffee Morning (Content TBC)*
- Monday 27th February – School Closed. Staff training Day*