



BROOK PARENT/CARER BULLETIN

Issue 3 December 2014

It's been such a busy term - and a long one!

COMMUNICATION: just a reminder: so important when we don't see you all at the school gate! On reception when you call in will be Amy in the morning and Lee in the afternoon. If they're not there it will probably be Felicia or Uma - just so you've got names to put to anonymous voices. Amy is new and has now visited two classes to get to know your Brook children!! Please also write in the home/school book - it's lovely to hear about your activities at the weekend and let your child share that with their classmates!

ARTSMARK Gold: we were delighted to receive ARTSMARK Gold this term for our exemplary work in the teaching of creative subjects such as music and art plus the inclusion work which takes place so well within those subjects.

Haringey Music Hub: Peter Desmond, Music Lead for Haringey, commented on his last visit that "there is clearly a lot of music going on across both schools. Claire (Brook Music Specialist) is clearly extremely dedicated to both schools, the inclusive vision and the quality of music provision for all."

Parents/Carers questionnaire:

thank you for your responses - they'll go on the website soon.

Medicines: can you remember please that any new medicines which you send in for staff to give to the children need you to sign a permission form. These are available from the school but until they are signed we can't give the medication. Thank you

PARENT GOVERNORS:

Mohamed Lahmil is your parent governor. We do, however, need one more parent governor - if you feel you can join us on the new governing body just ring me

Pupil Primary and School Sports Funding:

In our drive to introduced after school clubs and weekend activities, Melodie Harrison (our Sports Specialist) has put in place with Tom Laverty - Pastoral Lead - swimming sessions on Saturdays; Multisports on Wednesdays from the British Lions Boccia coach; rebound therapy and trampolining;

PARENTS ADVISORY GROUP:

this was a group formed last year to advise the Governing Body. We haven't forgotten this group - we will have a date for the next meeting early in the Spring Term.

Carols By Candlelight:

those of you who have been before will know how beautiful this is - we simply sing as Broadwaters and open up the whole of the hall spaces to fit in The Brook; The Willow; The Children's Centre and all the parents - it's amazing. 10.30am on 12th December - Friday morning of this week! Please arrive at 10.15am.

Website: we now put so much of our information on the website. We're trying to get everything you need - please visit and see what you think. Let us know anything you think is missing.

You can find us on www.thebrook.haringey.sch.uk or [google us on Welcome to the Brook](#)".

MORE EVENTS BEFORE THE END OF TERM

Christmas Play by Kingfisher and Honeysuckle Classes plus the Willow - 10th December 1.30pm

Grotto: for the children on the final day of term - Santa visits to give out presents for every child.

Please contact me with any concerns or just to say hello - email me anytime on margaret.sumner@thebrook.haringey.sch.uk

Very best wishes and have a wonderful holiday - the children return on 6th January 2015.

Margaret - Head Teacher

Term Dates 2014-2015 - reminder

Autumn Term 2014	<u>Starts</u>	<u>Ends</u>	<u>Term Days</u>
Autumn 1	Monday 1st September*	Friday 24th October	40
<u>October Half Term</u>	Monday 27th October	Friday 31st October	
Autumn 2	Monday 3rd November	Friday 19 th December	35
<u>Winter Term Break</u>	Monday 22nd December	Friday 2nd January	

Inset/Training Days –Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September 2014 *(Children are back on Wednesday 3rd September)

Spring Term 2015	<u>Starts</u>	<u>Ends</u>	<u>Term Days</u>
Spring 1	Monday 5 th January	Friday 13th February	30
<u>February Half Term</u>	Monday 16th February	Friday 20th February	
Spring 2	Monday 23rd February	Friday 27 th March	25
<u>Easter Break</u>	Monday 30th March	Friday 10th April	

Summer Term 2014	<u>Starts</u>	<u>Ends</u>	<u>Term Days</u>
Summer 1	Tuesday 14 th April*	Friday 22nd May	29
<u>May Half Term</u>	Monday 25th May	Friday 29th May	
Summer 2	Monday 1st June	Monday 20th July*	36
<u>Summer Holiday</u>	Tuesday 21st July	Monday 31st August	
		TOTAL	195 Days

Inset/Training Days –Monday 13th April 2015 * (Children are back on Tuesday 14th April)

Inset/Training Days –Monday 20th July * (Children finish school on Friday 17th July)

Inset Days – Children are not in on these days

- Monday 1st September 2014
- Tuesday 2nd September 2014
- Monday 13th April 2015
- Monday 20th July 2015
- **Please note that 1 more Inset Day still needs to be confirmed**