

# **BROOKDALE BULLETIN**

Brookdale's Weekly Newsletter (Leavers' Edition)

#### **FAREWELL YEAR 6**

I would like to say a very special farewell to our Year 6 pupils who are moving on to their high schools. We will miss them and wish them lots of happiness and success for the future. I know that our Year 6 children are ready to embrace the new adventures that lay ahead of them. For some of our families, this will be the end of our partnership as you don't have younger children in school. To all those families, thank you so much for all your commitment and dedication to Brookdale; we are incredibly grateful for all your support.



#### **YEAR 6 AWARDS**



Henry Creative Arts Award



**Bobby** Sports Personality of the Year Award

# A Fond Farewell



**Isla** Brookdale Child of Merit Award

Mrs Smith, our much-loved Pre School teaching assistant, is retiring today after a wonderful 26 years of service to Brookdale!

Mrs Smith was instrumental in setting up our pre school provision when it first opened in 1997 and will be missed by the whole community, including her colleagues and the children.

The children have had the opportunity to wish Mrs Smith well for a happy retirement during assembly today and the staff will be sure to give her an excellent send off as well!

Mrs Smith's role will be filled by our own teaching assistant, Miss Mullen who has just completed her TA Apprenticeship and is now a qualified TA3.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Smith a long, happy and very welldeserved retirement; I know she will miss being part of our Brookdale family.







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A HUGE thank you to our amazing PTA who have worked tirelessly this year to host amazing events for the whole community, from Chocolate Bingo, Christmas, Easter and Summer Fairs, Discos and everything in between. Not only are these events enjoyed by all but they raise vital funds to help us to supplement our offer for the children here at Brookdale. This year our PSHE curriculum was funded, our pond is being relined over the summer, school trips for most classes were subsidised and a new AV system was purchased for the school hall. Thank you also to everyone who supported these events and came to help out.

Special thanks go to Ella Cullum who is retiring as Chair of the PTA this year after giving many years of service to the cause. Thank you, Ella for all you have done to make our school as good as it can be for our children and families!

## **Preparing for September**

We understand that, at the end of the school year, shoes and uniforms have been outgrown and parents are reluctant to buy new ones before summer. During the holidays, we know that families will be preparing for the new school year, buying uniform etc.

Uniform is an important part of our school and helps us to maintain a sense of pride and belonging in our school community as well as preparing children for the dress code expectations of high school and, eventually, the work place.

Please note the following:

- ⇒Children should wear plain black school shoes and not trainers. If children need to wear trainers for medical reasons, please inform Mrs Ball and also ensure these are black.
- $\Rightarrow$ Socks should be black, white or grey
- $\Rightarrow$ Long hair should be tied back every day
- $\Rightarrow$ Hair accessories should be blue, yellow, white or black
- ⇒No jewellery is allowed other than **<u>small</u>**stud earrings
- $\Rightarrow$ No smart watches are allowed in school due to safeguarding reasons
- $\Rightarrow$ Nail varnish and make up should not be worn for school



### **BPS Vision Statement**

'Inspiring, engaging and nurturing our children to achieve and flourish as citizens of today and the future.'

