

Monday 29 April 2019: Welcome to Week 1, Term 2 2019

CARE Value For This Week is ACCOUNTABILITY

What does is mean to be ACCOUNTABLE?

Whakatauki Kete

Mātauranga - Wisdom

He kino ra, he kino nō tāu ō te wai

I may not be good-looking but I am the deepest part of the river



Kia ora & Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, Hello Brookby families

Welcome to Term 2 2019 Brookby Community! I am sure everyone had a relaxing break and ate waaaayy too much chocolate at Easter! So good to see all of the kids smiling faces this morning. Term 2 is packed full of wonderful learning activities and experiences, with a strong focus on Science. Towards the end of Term 2 we will be sending home the first of two written reports in 2019 for our Year 3-8 students. Have a great week (and term) everyone! - Principal Matthew Cooke

Weekly Food Sales at Brookby: In term 2 we are will be selling a different baked good each week on a Wednesday: one week could be a donut, the other a brownie, etc. This will be loaded onto Kindo with orders closing at 12 noon 2 days before. So, for this week orders need to be placed by 12 noon on Tuesday for Thursday morning delivery. For Wednesday delivery, the normal time, orders close at 12 noon Monday. Items will be sold at \$2.00 each. This week the food will be available on THURSDAY (not Wednesday as we are all at MOTAT)

Weekly Y7/Y8 Food Technology programme (ARC) Lunch orders will continue on a Friday in Term 2.

Brookby Office: Nic Norris returns in the office on Thursday 9 May. In the meantime, Myself and Bex will be around in the office in the mornings, and Karen Alekna will be in the office from lunchtime and all day Friday. We will continue to take payments, first aid, uniform sales, etc! See you soon, Nic!

STEAM Focus © Brookby: This week and into the first couple of weeks of this term, clases will be devoting aspects of their learning to STEAM (Science, Teachnology, Engineering, Arts & Maths). Each class will be focussing on the following projects:

R1: Outdoor Chess Area and Chess Pieces

R2: Upcycling of Plastic for Art

R3: Marble Run

R4: Garden beautification & planting

R5: Playhouse and Sandpit beautification

Parents are invited in to get involved and/or check out what is going on. If you are coming in to help, please let your child's teacher know so that they can organise your help. Thanks!

Board of Trustees June Elections: Every three years, around New Zealand there are elections for Boards of Trustees for our schools. This will be happening in June of this year and I would like to encourage people within our community to consider putting themselves forward as a Trustee. Being a Trustee is a rewarding and interesting role, and I personally have enjoyed the deeper involvement I have had in Brookby School during my time on the Board. The Brookby School Community is a great community! If you are interested in finding out more about the role as a Trustee, please feel free to email me about what we do on your Board of Trustees. Please remember, you do not need experience as training and support is given. The role the Board has in supporting the teaching and learning at Brookby School is a vital and rewarding one, so please consider putting yourself forward this year. Kind regards - Neil Wilson, Brookby School Board Chair

What Now 6 Brookby - Sunday 5 May: Please come along and have some fun on Sunday...we want to show New Zealand how special our school is and have lots of fun by doing so! We invite people to bring along their past Ag Day animals and there will be an obstacle course set up by What Now for them to have fun in! They will no doubt have their 20 seconds of fame! We would love lots of support for this very exciting event - invite your family and friends to come, the more the merrier!

Gymnastics PE Programme for Y0-Y6 Begins Friday 17 May: Details of the Gymnastics programme and permission slip home by the end of the week. There is a separate afterschool programme that we are advertising in this newsletter. This programme is afterschool and is NOT the Brookby Programme.

Gumboot Muffi for Mental Health - Friday April 5th: This was a huge success! Thanks Everyone for supporting. We raised a total of \$200 for Mike King's Charity 'I Am Hope', which will use the funds donated to facilitate free mental health support for Kiwi kids up and down the country.

ARC School Lunches: Thank you for continuing to support the Yr 7/Yr 8 ARC (Authentic, Relevant and Creative Learning: Food Technology Programme). This week, Room 5 are selling "Pigs in a Blanket" with celery and carrot crudites." The pigs in blankets will be made from cheerio sausage, wrapped in pastry. There will be two pigs in blankets and crudites for \$2.50, or four pigs in blankets and crudites for \$4. Order on the form here and pay via KINDO. You need to order and pay by Wednesday 1 May, 12 noon. We can not accept any late orders.

Tiger Turf and Fundraising Bricks Update: We are so close now to getting all this done. Watch this space as any day now. The bricks are taking longer than expected because the bricklayer is volunteering his time to do this and we have to fit in with his time between paid jobs.

Notat Trip: Everyone at Brookby School is off to MOTAT on Wednesday 1 May! Permission slips and payment should all be sorted by now. Parents are welcome on buses if they do not want to drive. We need a car there for any emergecnies, so Bex and myself will travel in her car and all other teachers will be on the buses with the kids. We will be taking her car in case of any emergencies Hey Kids...MOTAT is an acronym for: Museum of Transport and Technology

University of Canterbury Exams: The annual University of Canterbury Exams (CEM) are skills-based and closely aligned with the New Zealand Curriculum. The tests are designed by New Zealand teachers for New Zealand students. Science, English and Mathematics exams are on-line exams for Y5 to Y8 students that take about 50 minutes to complete. These exams are being offered in the last 3 weeks of term 2 and first week of term 3. More details to be sent home soon, but in the meantime if you have a child in Y5-Y8 and are interested in these exams have a look at: https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/cam/kiwi-competitions/

ICAS Exams: Brookby school will not be facilitating these exams this year. We will be offering the University of Canterbury Exams for Y5-Y8 students (see above).

NO ASSEMBLY FRIDAY 3 MAY

Morning Tea Weekly Food Sales - THURSDAY This Week (Usually Wednesdays). This week donuts are on sale for \$2.00. Please go to kindo and make payment. The donuts will be distributed at morning tea along with the school milk. Yummy! Click here to go to the kindo link.

Vision & Brookby

'At Brookby School we embrace our unique rural learning environment and promote a culture that inspires personal excellence. We provide a wide range of challenges and opportunities for all our students equipping them with the knowledge and skills they need to be confident, connected, actively involved lifelong learners'

It is good practise for schools and organisations to review their visions. This does not mean that we will necessarily be making amendments to our current vision at all. The changes that we may make will need to reflect all we do at Brookby and all that we are aiming for. Does our current vision do that already?

Reviewing a school vision is a process that involves everyone: teachers, students and community. We have already begun the process with teachers and will be continuing the process this week. Later in the year, we will be engaging the

community in the vision review process. These are questions that we must ask ourselves when reviewing our vision:

- Is the current vision relevant and meaningful to our students, staff and community?
- Does it clearly outline what we are trying to achieve?
- Does it guide and determine our decision-making?
- Does it guide and determine our professional learning programme? Our resourcing?
- Is it explicit and evident in what we say and do?
- Does this signal that we are preparing students for their future?

Science at Brookby Term 2: Science will play a big part of our inquiry focus for Term 2. To support our Science Focus, students will be experiencing three extra-curricula science activities:

- 1. Sustainability performance on 24 June
- 2. Human Energy Generator during the week of 4 June
- 3. Virtual-Reality Oceans on 16 May

School Fundraising: A large portion of all fundraising from the PTA and school will go towards a new 'junior playground', and possibly an outdoor permanent play-based learning feature. What this means is funds generated from AG Day, sausage sizzles, mufti's, Easter Raffle, etc. will all impact positively on the fundraising targets. These are all typically collaborative efforts between the PTA and School. We will be displaying our fundraising targets in due course on a 'thermometer' (or similar) fundraising display.

Donations and Classroom Fees 2019: HUGE THANKS to those who have made the school donation. The donation for the remainder of this year is now at \$260.00. Please don't forget the compulsory class fees (including the Yr 7/Yr 8 ARC Programme). These are due now via KINDO.

brookby School Policies and Procedures: These are available through SCHOOL DOCS at http://brookby.schooldocs.co.nz/Logon.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f. The username and password is Brookby and Brookby. From time to time we ask for feedback on various policies, so have your say at School Docs!

Meeting with Teacher: Even though we have not had formal interviews this term, we do encourage you to contact your child's teacher should you wish to meet with them...

Likewise, teachers will have contacted you should they wish to talk through any learning or other issues with you.

Student Leaders Reflections: Four of our student leaders attended the GRIP leadership student conference on 11 April. We look forward to seeing and hearing about all of the leadership skills you learned and practised. The four main focuses of the **GRIP** conference were...

GENEROSITY: Willingness to use what you have been given (time and resources) on behalf of those you seek to influence

RESPONSIBILITY: We all have a responsibility to develop what we have and help others to live well.

INTEGRITY: A commitment to truth and honesty in dealings.

PEOPLE: Every human being is of great significance, and has a purpose to fulfil.



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Dates for Your Diary

29 April - STEAM Week

30 April - BoT Meeting - 6.15pm

1 May - Whole School Science Focus trip to MOTAT

16 May - Virtual reality Science Sessions

17 May - Gymnastics begins for Y0-Y6 - see separate info.

3 June - Queen's Birthday Holiday - School Closed

4 - 7 June - Science Human Energy Generator - whole school

23 June - Science Sustainability Performance (Y3-8)

Brookby's Stars of the Week - returns soon!

Every week our students achieve so much in their school work and daily lives outside of school! This is a page dedicated only to their achievements.

Feel free to send us snippets and pictures of the amazing things your child is achieving so we can share with the school.



JUMPING JUNIORS - FOR 1 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Children will learn to roll, jump, balance, swing and have plenty of fun whilst learning fundamental movement skills playing with shapes, on beams, mini tramps and heaps more. 9:15-11:00am // 1-2yrs

MONDAY - GYMFEST CLASSES

Our Monday Gymfest classes are structured to teach children short gymnastics routines. These involve a series of age appropriate skills on each apparatus.

THURSDAY - GYMSKILLS CLASSES

Our Thursday Cym Skills classes are great for all gymnasts. In this class we teach a large range of gymnastics skills covering all apparatus from beams to bars to vault &

THURSDAY - TUMBLING

Tumbling is a combination of floor gymnastics and trampolining. The focus is on acro skills and routines as well as strength and fitness training. These are designed for the gymnast who prefers to flip and jump.

\$90 per term

MONDAY . 11:00-11:45am // 2-3yrs 1:00-1:45pm // 4yrs

THURSDAY -

\$125 per term

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3:30-4:30PM // 5-6yrs 4:30-5:30pm // 7-9yrs 5:30-6:30pm // 8+yrs

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