



The Buzz @ Brooksward

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Brooksward Children Perform at Milton Keynes Theatre

On Monday evening, 24 of our children had an amazing experience when they were involved in a dance showcase on stage at Milton Keynes Theatre. The children had previously spent a few days working with a professional choreographer from the Dance Charity MOTUS and then rehearsing with Coach Dave. After a full dress rehearsal on stage during the day (their first time experiencing the bright lights!) they returned in the evening buzzing with excitement. Our Brooksward Superstars performed in front of over 1000 people in the audience plus children from other schools! They were confident, brave, entertaining and absolutely smashed it! It could not have happened without the hard work of Coach Dave, Miss Ashford and Miss Manning plus other adults along the way. A huge well done and thank you to all involved - we were all extremely proud!



Key Stage 1 Visit to Woburn Safari Park

The children from Years 1 and 2 recently visited Woburn Safari Park as part of their topic 'The Zoo' and this is what they told us. "We went on the short journey to Woburn and saw hundreds of deer before we even arrived there! Once at Woburn, we travelled around the Safari Park and saw lots of amazing animals like lions and tigers. There were even monkeys pouncing up on our coaches which made us all laugh". In the foot safari, the children got to learn about meerkats during a fascinating talk and they even got to stroke an elephant! Stanley said, "My favourite part was the meerkats". Jack said, "The funniest bit of the day for me was when the monkeys jumped up on our roof as we didn't know what they were going to do." Ruhaim said, "I liked touching the elephant. I hope I can go there again!"



Years 5 & 6 Bushcraft Residential Visit

Last week a group of 44 children from Years 5 and 6 had a real outdoor adventure when they went on their Bushcraft residential visit. They spent 3 days in a safari-style tented camp in Oxfordshire, becoming completely immersed in the wilderness. They took part in various team building activities, built shelters, lit fires, gutted fish and basically had an absolutely amazing time without the distraction of modern technology. They may have been a little grubby on their return, not to mention totally exhausted but they certainly made memories they will treasure for many years to come. A big thank you to Mrs Stevens for organising and leading the

trip and to Miss Parris, Miss Ashford, Coach Dave and Coach Jack for supporting on the visit. A huge thanks must also go to Coach Cully for covering the P.E. teaching and doing a fantastic job.

Governor News

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. This has come about as Gemma Clarke has stepped down after over 3 years of active involvement on our School's Governing Body. I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Gemma for all she has done for our school both behind the scenes and for our children through her links with Cranfield University. If anyone would like to find out more about what the role of a School Governor entails with a view to being nominated for the role, please come to the school office for further details.

We would also like to extend our thanks to Mr and Mrs Black who gave very generously of their time when they came in recently to give a very informative talk to our Key Stage 2 children about the role of the RAF. Monday 24th June saw the Armed Forces Day flag raising event at the Civic Offices and in response to the Mayor's invitation, we sent two very proud representatives with staff members to show support for the men and women who make up the Armed Forces community, past and present.



Sports Day

We are sure you will agree that a fun time was had by all today at our annual Sports Day. The weather was kind to us – dry but not too hot and sunny – and we were delighted that many of you were able to turn up to cheer the children on.



We look forward to seeing you all again on Friday at our 'Summer Fair Fayre'. We hope you have bought your raffle tickets as there are some amazing prizes to be won!

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Abby McStraw

Head of School

Diary Dates:-

Friday 12th July (3.30-5pm)

Thursday 18th July

Friday 19th July

Thursday 29th August

Summer Fayre

Y6 Party & Disco for Y2-6

Break up for Summer

Return to School