



End of term 5

This Friday is the last day of Term 5. School will finish as normal at 3 o'clock. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support over the past term and to congratulate the children for continuing to work hard and follow the school's Golden Rules. During Term 6 the children in Year 2 will be finishing off their SATs, children in Year 1 will be completing their phonics screening checks and teachers in Reception will be completing the children's EYFS profile assessments. It is hard to believe that there is only one more term until the summer holidays! School will re-open for Term 6 on Monday 5th June at 8.45. Nursery will re-open at 8.30 am. Have a great half term break!

Sports Morning

A reminder that Sports morning will take place (weather permitting) tomorrow **Tuesday 23rd May** on the school field starting at **9:10**. All children will take part in a running race and an obstacle race on the school field. Equipment will be set up before school on the field. Please could you remind your children not to touch the equipment so that it is ready for our start at 9:10. Please ensure your child wears their coloured t-shirt for their team as well as a sun hat. Please put sun cream on your child before school as the forecast is for a sunny day. Children will need to bring their water bottles to keep rehydrated throughout the morning. During the Sports activities please stay on the track side by the chairs and don't cross over to be with the children. The children will be looked after by adults in their classes on the opposite side of the track, this then ensures the safety of all. We're hoping the sun shines and look forward to seeing you all there.

Water bottles

Please send your child with a water bottle to school everyday to ensure that they stay hydrated. The water bottle must have a sports top and **NOT** a screw top - this ensures that the children do not spill water and its easy for them to drink from. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Reading for Pleasure Competition

The focus for this terms reading competition is 'Reading out and about!'. We would like you to take a picture of your child reading somewhere outside or away from home and then e-mail it to reading@oldbrookschool.co.uk by Friday 9th June. The winners will receive a printed canvas and a £5 book token. A selection of photographs will be placed in our reading gallery. Hopefully the half term break will give you the opportunity to take the winning picture!

Packed lunches

A reminder that if you send a packed lunch in with your child you must **NOT include nuts** or any food that contains nuts including foods such as Nutella. We have children with allergies at school and this ensures the lunch hall is safe for all of them.

Language of the Month

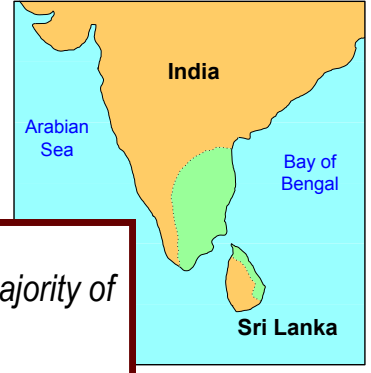
During a recent coffee morning parents requested that we include our Language of the Month in the newsletter so that we can all learn a few words from different cultures and communities at our school.

This month our Language of the Month is Tamil. Please see the next page for key words that the children have been learning.

Dates for your diary

Friday 26th May @ 3.00pm	End of term 5
Monday 5th June @ 8.45 am	Start of term 6
Tuesday 6th June @ 3.10pm	Year 2 parent meeting about trip to Southend.
Wednesday 7th June	School nurse drop in. Please contact school office if you would like an appointment.
Thursday 22nd June 7.30 am - 5.30pm	Year 2 trip to Southend on Sea.

Tamil



There are about 75 million Tamil speakers in the world; the majority of them live in southern India.

There are large Tamil populations in Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Singapore, Mauritius, Fiji and South Africa.

Tamil words with English translation

English	Transliteration	Translation
Welcome	Nalvaravu	நல்வரவு
Hello	Vanakkam	வணக்கம்
Goodbye	Phoi varukiren	போய்வருகிறேன்
Good morning	Kalai vanakkam	காலை வணக்கம்
Good afternoon	Maalai vanakkam	மாலை வணக்கம்
Thank you	Nanri	நன்றி
Sorry	Mannikkavum	மன்னிக்கவும்
Please	Thayavu seithu	தயவு செய்து
Yes	Aamaam	ஆமாம்
No	Illai	இல்லை
Come here	Inkey vaarunkal	இங்கே வாருங்கள்
Well done	Mikavum nallathu	மிகவும் நல்லது