

# The Briarwood Buzz

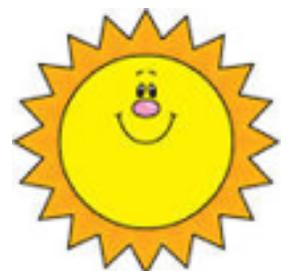
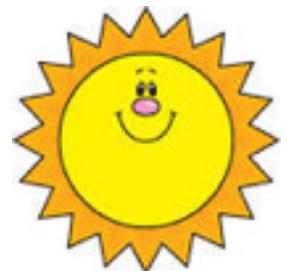
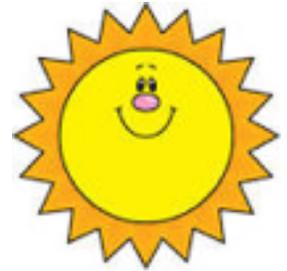
From the principal...

This time of year is always bittersweet. We are excited with the relaxation and fun the summer brings, however, we look back on an incredible year and all the memories that accompany our experiences and realize they are all now in the past!

I am so proud of our BWD children. They have all grown so much throughout the year. Students have learned not only the necessary academics but also how to be a good friend and be kind to one another.

Children have experienced valuable social experiences with their Briarwood Buddies and created lasting impressions!! BWD students came together to create our earth Day sign (which is proudly hung in our front hall!), various assemblies (thank you again to our incredible PTA), fun classroom games and activities, and our recognition /celebration assembly during Ben's Dream Day/ jersey day (B-E-N, B-E-N!)

I encourage you to read, read, read!! I know students will have fun coloring in bookmarks (incoming kindergarten through 2



students). I encourage you to make your own bookmarks as well during the summer - bring them all in to school and we will laminate them for you! We also have a list of math website for you to explore during the summer. These are to assist students in math facts/ strategies while having fun!

Enjoy the down time that summer has to offer, spend time with your families and enjoy each smile generated and laughter exchanged. It is these moments that make summertime so special.

To my kindergarten and first grade students, I look forward to reuniting in the fall as we meet once again in September!

I wish our second grade students all the best as they enter into Brooklake. I know each of you will do great, you are all so special and have so many amazing gifts to offer! Be yourself, be kind, have fun and try your best!

I am at school all summer, so please feel free to stop by and say "hello"!

Thank you for allowing me to be your administrator, it truly has been my honor to work with each student, teacher, and family!

Happy Summer!

Warm Regards,

Mrs. Glaab

# Kindergarten happenings...

It's been a successful year for all of our kindergarten students. Along with the challenging curriculum, the students focused on how to share, take turns, communicate with their peers, and just have fun. The K teachers worked tirelessly on building a strong foundation for each of our students to flourish in their learning.

We wish our students nothing but the best as they move on to first grade. We are very proud of all of their accomplishments and for never giving up.



# PreK Field Day

On June 12 and 13th, the preschool classes participated in field day activities while their parents cheered them on. Throughout the year, the preschoolers



have been developing and practicing their gross motor skills such as jumping, running, balancing, and ball skills. This was a great way for them to showcase their skills and confidence!



Activities included a relay race, crazy obstacle course, over/under obstacles, jumping fun and an alphabet dig. At the end of field day, children were awarded a special Paw Patrol medal that was provided by the PTA.



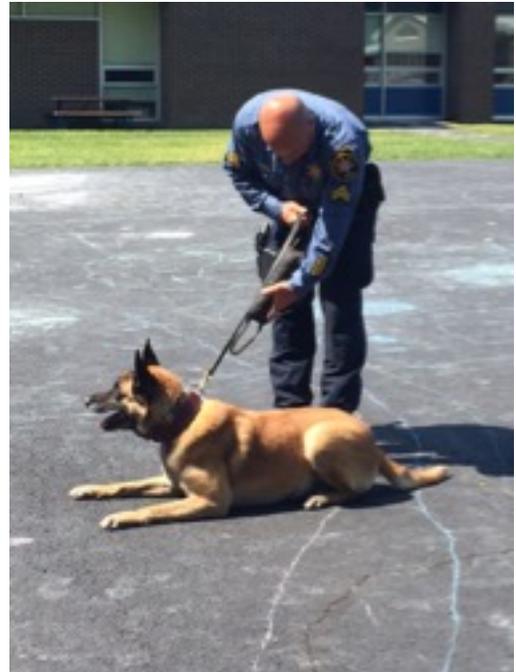
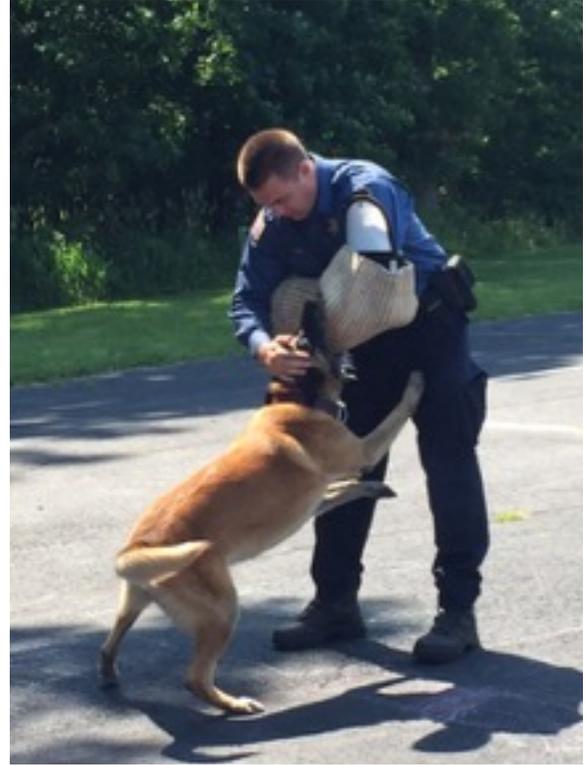
# Kindergarten Celebrates!



# Earth Day 2017



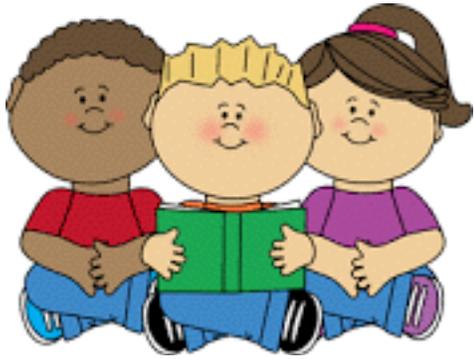
# Morris County K-9 Visits Briarwood!



Great job by the 2nd grade students in their performance of Mixed Up Fairy Tale. Well done Mrs. Van Way and Ms. Scott!



# Summer Reading:



\*Be a reader and writer yourself. When you spend time reading books on the beach or even directions for how to put together the grill this summer, you demonstrate for your child that reading is both fun and useful. Allow your child to choose books for summer reading.

\*Read aloud to your reader. As school-aged children become better readers, parents often stop reading aloud to them. However, by reading more difficult books aloud to your reader, you help him learn new vocabulary words, concepts, and ways of telling stories or presenting information. You also enjoy the closeness of sharing a book with your child.

\*Set aside a consistent time each day for reading. Depending on your family's schedule, reading time might be in the morning, afternoon or before bed. Whatever time you choose, stick to it, but also remember that flexibility around trips and special family events is OK.

\*Encourage your child not to limit summer reading to books. Encourage your child to read the sports page to check up on her favorite baseball team or to read children's magazines such as Ranger Rick, National Geographic World and New Moon.

Briarwood students are encouraged to read throughout the summer. Children can complete and return a reading bookmark. The bookmark provides various reading activities and ideas. Please feel free to add new elements and create your own. All bookmarks should be returned during the first week of school to celebrate summer reading accomplishments!

Bookmarks will be on the school website and available at the Florham Park Library.

## Ms. Kate visits Briarwood to go over Summer Reading!



REMEMBER TO READ!! HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!

# Field Day 2017!!!



Great job Ms. Chapin! The kids all had a great time!