

"We Enjoy and Excel In the Presence of God"

#### **BROCKENHURST C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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## **Information Update 2 - 30th September 2016**

**Dear Parents** 



### **Effectiveness of Leadership**

The Autumn is definitely upon us and the surrounding area of the school is changing colour rapidly. The change always reminds us of Harvest and also of people less fortunate than us. A time when we can give and share what we are so lucky to have. The Autumn change means bright and sunny or wet and cold days, so please ensure you send your child into school with a coat every day. Thank you!



What an exciting time Year 6 had in Swanage. I was lucky enough to join them on the Thursday and kayak around Old Harry's Rock. Yet again it was commented on how polite and independent our children are. Taking a leap of faith and doing something new is challenging; but the rewards can be amazing!



#### **RSS feeds**

Please do view our website regularly; all staff comment on a frequent basis. You can follow the blog of your choice by linking to the RSS feed on the page. To set this up the following instructions will be help: you

- Download an RSS feeder app onto your device from the APP store (both Android and iStore offer free APPs)
- In the APP you will have the function to add feed (+)
- Select this option and it will ask you for the web reference. (This is the reference that you see when you click on the RSS button on your chosen webpage)
- A screen print of what you should see is on the 3rd page of this update
- Once you have pasted the link into the RSS feeder it will then notify when updates are placed on your chosen page.
- Most RSS feeders show that content without taking you to the webpage



## **Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment**

#### **Open Mornings for Year R parents September 2017**

We will be holding two open mornings, one on Monday 10th and the other Tuesday 11th October from 9.00-11.00am for prospective parents. All parents will be asked to sign in at the office and I will be showing them round our wonderful school. We also have some spaces in the present Year R. If you know of anybody who is eligible and would like to see the school in action please encourage them to attend.

#### Reminder—KS2 Recorder Club

Mrs Stack is hoping to start a new recorder club for beginner recorders. This club will be open to Year 3-6 only and will run on Wednesday lunchtimes at 12.50-1.15pm. There are a limited space available so if your child is interested, please reply via email to the school office. I will confirm whether or not your child has

secured a place. The only thing you will need for your child is a named recorder.

# Reminder! School Photographer Thursday 6th October

The photographer will be in school from 8.15 am if you would like siblings photographs taken together. Please inform the office if you would like younger siblings to join us for the photographs.

Thank you!





### Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare

#### **DBS Checks**

I have initiated a number of DBS links over the last few weeks to enable parents to come into school to help. Just in case you were not sure of the process:

- 1. Request a link through the school office giving your full name and email address
- 2. Complete the form online (the link will have been sent to your personal email)
- 3. Bring in your relevant ID documents , e.g., Driving licence, passport, birth certificate, utility bill, council tax statement, bank statement, payslip, P60/P45 etc
- 4. We will then confirm identification before the form is sent to the Criminal Records Bureau
- 5. You will receive your DBS certificate which you will need to bring in to school so we can include you on our Single Central register please note this can take up to 10 weeks to process.

There is a time limit on each process, so if you have not completed your form or not produced your ID to school then the online link will be deleted.

#### Calling pupils to the fence

We are concerned that a number of parents, when passing the school, are calling their children from the perimeter fence during the school day. In the interest of safety, please refrain from doing this, as the children are told not to talk to people through the fence as this may encourage strangers to chat when passing. Thank you!

#### Free School Meals (FSM)

All children in Key Stage 1 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. However, for some of those children, schools are also able to claim Pupil Premium, which will help provide further support for those children. The criteria for eligibility is the same as, and comes from, what is the free school meal criteria from Key Stage 2 onwards. A parent or guardian may wish to check their child's eligibility for Pupil Premium or continued free school meals (from Key Stage 2) and HC3S has an online service for this. The service allows you to check your own eligibility for free school/college meals, or you can check on behalf of someone else. For further information please check:

http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/freeschoolmeals.htm

#### School Kitchen - updating the ventilation system week of 3rd October (next week)

I would like to inform parents that Hampshire Catering service are updating the ventilation system in our school kitchen next week. There will still be school meals available - these will be transported to school from another HC3S kitchen and served as usual from the servery in the school hall.

There will be <u>no morning snacks</u> for the children, so please could you provide your child with a snack for their morning break if they usually buy something.

**There is a change to the meal on Thursday**—this will be: Red meal - Fish and chips; Green Meal - Pizza.

Please bear with us whilst the work is being carried out. Thank you!



Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

Thank you to all who joined us this morning for the Macmillan Coffee and Croissant event. You raised nearly £200. Excellent!

#### Rooted—Our Church Club (KS2)

Kay Pead and the curate from St. Nicholas Church have established a new club on a Wednesday after school from 3.15-4.15pm in the Learning Zone. Rooted is a club for those children who would like to know more about the Christian faith. We want to explore together more about God and his amazing love for us through fun games, stories, craft & activities. If you would like your child to attend please register with the school office. For more information, please contact Kay Pead via email at <a href="mailto:candybrockchurch@gmail.com">candybrockchurch@gmail.com</a>



#### **Harvest Service**

Our annual Harvest service will take place at <u>St Saviour's Church on Friday 7th October at 10.00am</u>. You are more than welcome to join us. Year groups are combining and contributing within the service. We would be grateful if you could donate food for the service, i.e., tinned or preserved and has a good shelf life. This will be donated to the church and the Basics bank, thank you!

Yours sincerely

John Littlewood
Head Teacher

#### Pause for thought.....

Always remember...

You are braver than you believe

Stronger than you seem

Smarter than you think

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**Vision** 

At Brockenhurst CE Primary School our vision is to sustain and develop high quality teaching and learning; with excellent behaviours and safety for all, founded on Christian values.

#### **Donations gratefully received!**

At lunchtime we have a number of children who love to sit quietly and colour or paint.

If you have any spare colouring books/activity books for children (of primary school age) please could you donate them to the school. I know they would be gratefully

received.

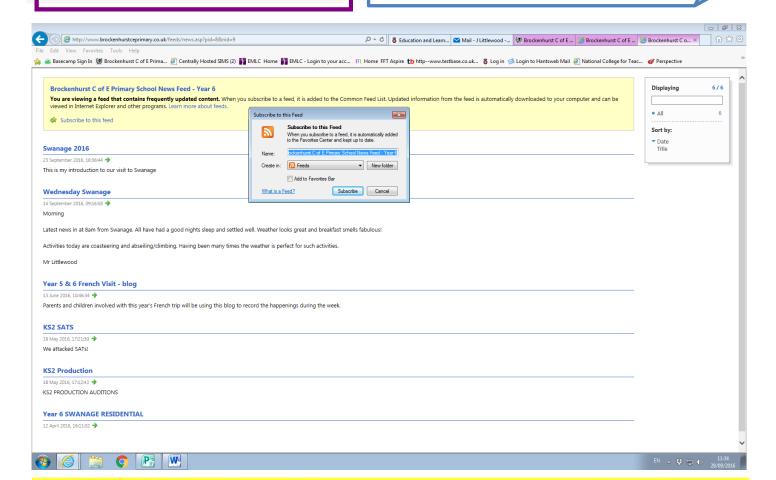
Thank you!

**Brockenhurst CE Primary School are looking for** 

**Lunchtime Supervisory Assistants** 

Term time only 12.00 -1.15pm daily

Please ask for details in the school office.



RIDING FOR THE DISABLED BROCKENHURST GROUP CHARITY No 1074217

## COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY OCTOBER 15TH

10:30—12 NOON

CHURCH HALL WILVERLEY ROAD



#### Dates for your diary:

#### PLEASE NOTE DATES AND TIMES OF EVENTS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October 3rd	4th	5th	6th School Photographs	7th 10.00am Harvest in St Saviour's Church
10th 9.00-11.00am New Parents Open Morning	11th 9.00-11.00am New Parents Open Morning	12th	13th	14th PTA Quiz Night TBC
17th	18th	19th	20th	21st AM Grandparents in school
	Monday 2	24th to 28th October—Half	term	
31st Pumpkin Competition TBC Parents evening TBC	November 1st	2nd Parents evening TBC	3rd Parents evening TBC	4th
7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
14th	15th	16th AM Flu Vaccinations for Y1, 2, 3.	17th	18th Children in Need Day PTA Children's disco
21st	22nd	23rd	24th	25th
28th	29th	30th	December 1st	2nd
5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
12th KS1 Nativity this week	13th KS1 Nativity	14th Christmas Lunch KS1 Nativity	15th PTA Christmas treat for the children	16th KS2 Carols round the tree in the school hall
	Monday 19th Decen	nber to 3rd January 2017—0	Christmas Break	