

"We Enjoy and Excel In the Presence of God"

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# **Information Update - 24th June 2016**

**Dear Parents** 



John Littlewood has completed the final session of his two-year long Leadership and Management training course. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating Mr Littlewood on this excellent achievement.



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

The <u>Year 1 Phonics</u> testing went well – we will inform all Year 1 parents their child's outcomes as soon as we can. We are unable to send out any results until the local authority have received all information. Thank you for your patience.

Year R had a wonderful <u>Transport day</u>. They all enjoyed this even though many came back exhausted; the parents were, yet again, quite amazing! Thank you Mr Pepin for all your inspirational ideas and planning.

Year 1 and Year 2 had a super day at <u>Lepe Country Park</u>. The children had a wonderful time, gaining experience and knowledge about the area, life cycles, habitats and sorting and classifying creatures involving bug hunts and the use of the adventure playground. The PTA paid for the ice lollies. Thank you to all KS one staff for their amazing planning ideas and experiences.

Year 3 visited <u>Testwood Lakes</u> recently and had a great time – they participated in group activities and learned a great deal about Celtic life and enjoyed the amazing roundhouse. Thank you again to Year 3 staff for organising the visit.

Year 4 and I had a <u>wonderful debate about the news on the European Union</u> and the current political situation. We discussed the importance of voting, the significance of a majority or near majority outcome and their thoughts on the new way forward Their ideas and thoughts were fabulous! One child informed us that their mum counted the votes and didn't get back till 4.00am that morning!

Year 5 have started their <u>Viking topic</u> – the aroma from their cooking Viking foods was most interesting... The painting of shields, cooking and clothes dying were just a few of the activities. Thank you to the many parents who participated with their help and guidance. They are looking forward to their Viking visitor on Tuesday 12th July.

Year 6 are visiting <u>Hampton Court</u> next Tuesday. This is should be an excellent day and I am sure the children will have a great time!

I'm delighted to say that the <u>Year 5 and Year 6 visit to Pont St Martin in France</u> was a resounding success. We did get very wet especially when we visited 'Puy Du Fou', however, we had a wonderful time and all the children were amazing. My special thanks to Kathryn Wallis for all her help, care and support and organising the visit; my grateful thanks also to David Fowkes, for his wonderful blog which kept all parents informed of the progress of the children's activities, and his support and care during the week. In spite of our late return the children behaved impeccably, listening to us and responding positively. They were all great fun and we all experienced a very happy unforgettable week. The staff from Pont St Martin School send you all their friendship and love. They are excited about coming to England again next year. We will therefore we looking for families to host some French children next June! It is a rewarding and worthwhile experience. Please do give this your serious consideration as it would be wonderful if we were able to give our friends a good experience to match theirs to us! The date for our special assembly is, we think, (David's work commitments permitting) <u>9.00am on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June in our school hall – Please do feel welcomed to join us to see all that we did!</u>



### Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare

Please ensure you consider the following for your child in the forthcoming (hopefully) warmer weather

- Sun screen
- Named water bottles
- Sun hats/caps
- Lightweight water proof coat please NAME EVERYTHING

Golden time continues to be a wonderful opportunity to learn something new. E.g. knitting, cooking, sport, film club, jewellery making, drama, computer games. It never ceases to amaze me how many wonderful parents and friends of the school devote so much time this this Wednesday afternoon treat. THANK YOU ALL!



### Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

<u>The New Zealand window</u> will be unveiled this coming Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am. Please do join the KS2 children for this very special service of remembrance and celebration. The window is beautiful; so thoughtfully composed and a jewel in the crown of St Nicholas in Brockenhurst. We will be walking to the church at 10.00am on Wednesday and if you would like to walk with us please come to school at 9.45am. If not, we hope we may see some of you there.

Very distinguished guests from New Zealand are due to participate in the events. They children will be singing Shine Jesus Shine, I vow to thee my county, God Save the Queen and the New Zealand national anthem. The children will place posies on all the New Zealander's graves. It will be a very unique event to remember. I wish to thank all the village personally who have included the school community in their plans.

Our <u>PTA Fair</u> is nearly upon us. Please do see Bronya or Sarah at the school gate if you can offer even half an hour, of a helping hand! Or please do come into the office. I know we would love to have more helpers on the day! Please bring your friends and family. It is a wonderful event and such a good chance to see everything and raise some much needed funds for the school. THANK YOU!

# Please see a reminder of some of the things we need to make the event a great success SUMMER FAIR...

Can you help?

The PTA are looking for volunteers to help with the Summer Fair on Friday 8th July. If you can help with setting-up, clearing up or manning a stall please let Bronya or Sarah know.

#### Donations...

Please can you donate any good quality teddy bears or soft toys, bottles (for the Bottle Tombola), plants and goodies for the Loot Bags. These can be small games, toys, pencils, pens, bubbles, hair clips, craft items, small sweets, party bag items etc.

#### Raffle tickets...

Please don't forget your raffle tickets – we have more and more fantastic prizes being donated. Spare tickets are available at the office and you can sell to family and friends as well!

#### **Talent Time...**

We are looking for children to do a display at the Summer Fair. This may be singing, dancing, playing an instrument, gymnastics, Yo -Yo tricks, jokes or anything else they may like to do. Whether by themselves or in a group - this is a chance for our children to shine and show off their many talents! We need your authorisation for this – sign-up sheets will be in the office from Monday.

If your child would like to take part, please put their name/s down.

#### Lastly...

#### Bag2School - Monday 11th July

Please have a sort out and donate any good quality clothing, shoes, bags, etc.

Collection bags will be coming home in book bags next week!

Thank you for your support.

The PTA

We look forward to all the exciting things happening for the rest of the term. Please join us for as many of the activities as you can. Thank you!

Yours sincerely

Trudie Cawthra Head Teacher

#### Thought for the week.....

"The first thing that leaps out at me is the gap between the generations. The young voted largely to remain; the old voted overwhelmingly to leave. We have made a decision on behalf of future generations that they largely disagree with. They will look to their teachers to make some sense of this. They will need to channel their frustrations into positive action.

Our schools are the places in which we shape our future as a nation. Our teachers and school leaders can help young people make sense of dramatic changes and build their own plans. Education is the ultimate 'long game'. " Russel Hobby NAHT General Secretary

#### **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.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
27	28 Y6 Hampton Court	29 Y6 Highcliffe Induction Day KS2 NZ Celebration at St Nicholas Church Details to follow	30	1st July Year 5 visit to St Anne's Southampton, Science day.
4 Sports Day (weather permitting)	5	6 9.00-10.00 moving up morning	7 9.00am guitar assembly 10.00am Keyboard assembly	8 KS2 Production Rehearsal PTA SUMMER FAIR
11	12	13	14	15
Y6 Bikeability	Year 5 Viking visitor	Y6 Bikeability	Y6 Bikeability	Y6 Bikeability
KS2 Production this week evening performance	Priestlands Induction Day	9.00am Y4 Ukulele Concert (Listen2Me)  KS2 Production this week evening performance	YS Flowol day YR Farmer Palmers	YR Little Flames at St Saviour's Church PM—Celebration for Trudie Cawthra leaving
18 Y6 Winchester Leavers Day	19 10.00am Achievement Service in church	20 10.00am Y6 Leavers Service in church  LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM	21	22