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.

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!

I would like to welcome the Year R children into the school community. So many happy smiling faces, such a pleasure to see them. They have now started full-time and joined the rest of the school in worship this morning. I hope they enjoy their learning journey with us.

Data Collection
You will have received an addressed envelope from your child which contains a Data Collection sheet and various consent forms. Please check the details, update, then sign and return all relevant paperwork. It is essential that all details we hold on file are up to date. Thank you for your assistance with this important process and we would request the completion and return of all the sheets by Wednesday 27th September.

Safeguarding
Hampshire Constabulary has given our school the opportunity to take part in a Safeguarding project that will run jointly with them. Please see their letter attached to the bottom of this newsletter.

Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment

SATs Meeting
Thank you to the parents who joined us for our KS1 and KS2 SATs meeting on Tuesday. For further information please check the school website: http://www.brockenhurstceprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Curriculum+%2F+SATs&pid=75

Open Mornings
We will be holding two open mornings on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th October from 9.00-11.00am for prospective parents who will hopefully chose to send their children here in 2018-19. All parents will sign in at the office and be escorted around by myself. We also have some spaces in the present Year 1. If you know of anybody who is eligible and would like to see the school in action please encourage them to attend.

Maths Mufti (Home Clothes) Day and Maths Olympics are coming!
On Friday 13th October we will be having a Maths Mufti (home clothes) day. We would ask the children to pay £2.00 each towards the day. We are collecting money for a brand new resource called Mathletics. During the day we will be holding the Maths Olympics where the children will work with their school house teams to answer as many maths questions as they can whilst running an obstacle course. Further timetables will be released closer to the time.

Year 5 visit to Hurst Castle
Such a shame about the poor weather for the Year 5 walk along Hurst Spit and the visit to the castle. Luckily it didn’t dampen the spirits for the group and they managed to complete their activities.
Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare

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](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hc3s/freeschoolmeals.htm)

School Crossing
As you know the Crossing Patrol person is no longer at the front of the school on the crossing in Sway Road. Please may we ask parents not to gather chatting at the crossing unless you are going to use it. We have received a number of complaints from drivers who have slowed down thinking that people are crossing the road and then found that they are not. Please be mindful of other road users. The school is not happy to have lost the Crossing Patrol and are working with the PTA and HCC to try and resolve the issue.

Breakfast Club
The breakfast club run by New Forest Childcare is well underway. The children’s kitchen is full of chatter whilst they have their cereals and toast. If you would like further information regarding this facility, even if you only want to use the club on an occasional basis, please contact Emma Hodkin through NFCC on: 07387 269175.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

Shoebox appeal
This week you will have received a leaflet about the New Forest Rotary Club are having their annual Christmas Shoebox appeal for the Honeypot Children’s Charity: [www.honeypot.org.uk](http://www.honeypot.org.uk) This is a most worthwhile charity and we would love to beat the number of shoeboxes we had a couple of years ago of 83 boxes. Thank you.

Grandparents in School—Friday 29th September 9.00-11.30am.
It is that time of the year when we welcome grandparents into school. We thought it would add to the occasion by letting the grandparents walk the children to the Harvest Service at St Saviour’s Church for 10.00am. We would then return to school for refreshments at 11.00am.

Harvest Service—St Saviour’s Church Friday 29th September 10.00am
Please join us next Friday for our Harvest service. We will be collecting items for the New Forest Basics Bank. If you are able to donate any of the items from the list below, please send them to school with your child.

- **Tinned Hot Meals**: Chicken, Irish Stew, Minced Beef, Chilli
- **Tinned Cold Meals**: Ham, Spam, Corned Beef
- **Tins - Other**: Hot Dogs, Meat Balls, Fish, Pasta
- **All tinned Vegetables** including Potatoes
- **Sweet Tins**: Fruit, Custard
- **Pot Noodles**
- **UHT Milk**
- **Coffee**
- **Biscuits - Savoury/Sweet**
- **Jam**
- **Marmalade**
- **Washing up liquid**
- **Shampoo**
- **Shower Gel**
- **Tooth Brushes and Paste**
- **Toilet Rolls**
Thank you for your support.

French Twinning with St Joseph School in Pont St Martin—are you interested?
We have a wonderful relationship with the school and are anticipating an exciting visit with Year 5 and 6 children in June 2018. We are one of very few schools who offer this amazing cultural experience and we feel the benefits far outweigh any issues. If you would like your child to join us on our visit, please contact Mrs Wallis via: adminoffice@brockenhurst-primary.hants.sch.uk for further information.

Yours sincerely

John Littlewood
Head Teacher

Pause for thought.....
You want to guide someone without imposing your style. You don’t want a clone.

Vision
At Brockenhurst CE Primary School our vision is to inspire, sustain and develop high quality teaching and learning; with excellent behaviours and safety for all, founded on Christian values.
Please Help...........
Brockenhurst CE Primary School are looking for Lunchtime Supervisory Assistants Term time only 12.00 –1.15pm daily. If you are only able to do a couple of days a week but are still interested in the position, please ask for details in the school office.

Join us in the school hall for Coffee in aid of Macmillan Thursday 28th September 9:00-10:00am. All donations gratefully received. Thank you!

INTRODUCING: OUR NEW SCHOOL APP

Stay up-to-date with our events and the latest school news by downloading our School News app from your app store today. Want to be the first to know important information, or if our school is closed on a snow day? Download our app, for free, from the Apple Store, Windows Store or Google Play today.

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**Monday 23rd to 27th October—Half term**
**Monday 30th October INSET Day—No children in school**

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**INSET Day Thursday 21st December**
**Christmas Holiday Friday 22nd December and returning to school on Thursday 4th January 2018**
Dear Parent/Carer,

Brockenhurst CE Primary has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly with Hampshire Constabulary. This initiative is called Operation Encompass.

The aim of this initiative is for the police to share information with the school, prior to 9am on the next school day, when a child or young person has been exposed to or involved in an incident of Domestic Abuse. This disclosure will include risk information affecting the child or young person, but not all information obtained by the police at the incident. This information is already being shared with school but there are often delays. This new initiative improves the speed of the information sharing to the school to allow early support to be put in place for a child when it may be needed the most. This will support the long term wellbeing of children affected by domestic abuse.

The information shared will be received by a dedicated member of the school staff, known as a Key Adult, who is appropriately trained to manage this information. This allows them to liaise with the police and to use the information that has been shared in confidence. This enables the school to implement support and safeguarding for children and young people affected by these incidents.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all children and young people and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved. If you would like to know more about Operation Encompass please visit www.operationencompass.org

Yours sincerely

D/Supt Scott MacKechnie
Head of Public Protection

John Littlewood
Head Teacher