



"We Enjoy and Excel In the Presence of God"

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# Newsletter 14 - 29th March 2018

Dear Parents



## Effectiveness of Leadership

Thank you to everyone for their best wishes after we sent the Ofsted letter last week. The positive comments and support are invaluable to us. As I said we are proud to be a part your children's lives and as a community know we are making a difference. We may not see Ofsted for another three years, but our vision remains strong and we will continue to inspire those we work with.

We said farewell to Mrs Smith this week. I would like to thank her once again for her hard work and dedication over the years to the children of this school and wish her our best wishes for the future.



The Governors, staff and I would like to wish everyone a very **Happy Easter** and hope you all have a relaxing break. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday 16th April for the Summer Term.



## Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment

A great day was had by the children at **Winchester Science Museum**. It was not an easy task getting all the children off site for a shared experience, but Ms Lever and I would like to thank all of those who made it happen. The children spent the entire time investigating and getting hands on. The sessions in the planetarium were amazing and really made you think. Our thanks also go to the PTA who supported the event with £1000 reducing the pupil contribution dramatically.

Thank you to everyone who met with the teachers during the **parent consultations** this week, your support is always gratefully appreciated.

It has been wonderful attending the **Music Assemblies** over the last two weeks. We have also had a number of children taking part in **Sporting events** over the last term. It shows us what talented children we have in this school. Thank you to everyone who has made this possible, from the organisation to the taking part. Well done to all.



## Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare



Over the past months the school has been working with the children, parents, the PTA, and the local community to make our roads safer. We had great news last week when we were awarded the Bronze STARs award for work done so far, but I was disappointed to get this email today from a local resident:

*"Last year I emailed you regarding some dangerous parking practices outside of your school during the morning drop off. I'm afraid it seems that the situation is getting bad again; today, as my partner walked to the station along Partridge Road, there was a camper van parked on the corner with Sway Road, and a truck reversed around this and onto the pavement, nearly hitting her. There were also several other vehicles, also dropping off children, parked over the pavement too. This type of behaviour now seems like a daily occurrence; please could you remind parents again that driving on pavements is illegal, as is parking causing an obstruction to other road users (including pedestrians)?"*

*Partridge Road is not particularly narrow, so there is especially no need to park on the pavement here. The dangers presented to pedestrians, including other children travelling to school, are real - there have been several high-profile cases recently where small children have been killed by drivers illegally mounting the pavement. This seems at odds with the idea that we should be encouraging children to walk more for health, attentional and environmental reasons; the behaviour of a few selfish parents makes the local environment feel more dangerous and therefore less conducive for active travel (even it is walking from just a little further up the road) by walking, cycling or using a scooter."*

We have received a few responses from parents who would like to use the Village Hall car parking facility '**Park & Stride**'; Mrs Wallis will be issuing the stickers in due course. The launch day for this is on **Thursday 26th April**. All people who would like to use the Park & Stride will meet at the village hall and we will walk the children to school together. There will be a special visitor, Basil Bird', to welcome the children at the school gate. **Please get involved and help to make the roads around the school safer.** For further information, please contact Kathryn Wallis in the school office.



## Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

### Step it up for Sport Relief 'Danceathon'

Well done to all the children (plus staff) who danced last week in the Danceathon. It was great to see the children enjoying the fun, but taking the dance seriously. We raised **£128.75 for Sport Relief**. Thank you.

It was lovely to see many parents at the **Easter Service** today. Year groups R, 2 and 6 took part in the service and delivered their festive pieces beautifully. Well done.

Yours sincerely

*John Littlewood*

**Pause for thought.....**

If it doesn't challenge you, it won't change you.

### Midday Supervisor's Cake Sale

Thank you to everyone who donated and bought cakes this week. £210 has been collected to go towards lunchtime play equipment.



### **New Forest**

#### **After School Club of the Month**

Well done to the NFCC Ladies who have been awarded Club of the Month.

#### **Do you need childcare on Friday 25th May INSET Day?**

NFCC have offered childcare on site if they have 10 or more children signed up for the day. Please contact Emma Hodkin to express your interest :

Tel: 07387 269175

Email:

[emmahod-](mailto:emmahod-kin@newforestchildcare.co.uk)

[kin@newforestchildcare.co.uk](mailto:kin@newforestchildcare.co.uk)

**Dates for your diary:**

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Easter Holiday</b> <b>Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April</b> <b>Children return to school Monday 16th April</b>				
<b>April 16th</b> Back to School	17th	18th	19th	20th PTA Quiz Night
23rd	24th	25th	26th <b>Launch of Park &amp; Stride</b>	27th
30th	<b>May 1st</b>	2nd	3rd	4th
<b>7th</b> <b>Bank Holiday</b>	8th	9th	10th	11th
14th <b>KS2 SATs Week</b>	15th <b>KS2 SATs Week</b>	16th <b>KS2 SATs Week</b>	17th <b>KS2 SATs Week</b>	18th <b>KS2 SATs Week</b>
21st <b>Walk to School Week</b> Y6 Bikeability	22nd <b>Walk to School Week</b> Y6 Bikeability	23rd <b>Walk to School Week</b> Y6 Bikeability	24th <b>Walk to School Week</b> Y6 Bikeability	<b>25th</b> <b>INSET DAY—NO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL</b>
<b>Half Term Holiday</b> <b>Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2018</b> <b>Children return to school on Monday 4th June</b>				
<b>June 4th</b>	5th	6th	7th	8th
11th Y4 Hooke Court	12th Y4 Hooke Court	13th Y4 Hooke Court	14th	15th
18th French Visit	19th French Visit	20th French Visit	21st French Visit	22nd French Visit
25th	26th	27th	28th	29th KS2 Production Dress Rehearsal PTA Summer Fayre
<b>July 2nd</b> 6.30pm KS2 Production	3rd	4th Y6 Highcliffe Induction Day 6.30pm KS2 Production	5th	6th Sports Day TBC
9th	10th Y6 Priestlands Induction Day	11th	12th	13th
16th	17th	18th 9.00am Y4 Listen2Me assembly Y6 Leavers Winchester Cathedral	19th	20th 10.00am Worship (Achievement & Leavers)
<b>INSET Days—Monday 23rd July—no children in school</b> <b>Summer Holiday</b> <b>Tuesday 24th July to Friday 31st August 2018</b>				



### RDA Collection Box

The RDA are trying to raise money for a Training Centre Project.

In the school office we will have a collection box—if you have any loose change, please think about donating it to this worthwhile cause. The collection will be divided 50:50 between the National and the local group.

We as a school use this facility and are very keen to promote this collection.

Thank you.



**Brockenhurst  
Village Hall**

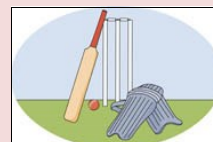
**After  
School  
Art  
Club**

**£3.00  
Per Session**

**Ages 5-11**  
**Monday's**  
**3:30pm - 4:30pm**

For more details  
Tel: 01590 622580  
[www.brockenhurstvillage.org.uk](http://www.brockenhurstvillage.org.uk)

Term Time Only - No classes Nov, Dec, Jan



### Brockenhurst Village Cricket for Year 3 Upwards

From 5.30pm

Wednesday 25th April there will be  
weekly sessions of girls/boys cricket at  
the  
Balmer Lawn.

Please phone Tim Kilsby on 07948  
424999

### Parent View

We need to know your views on our school they are very important to us. Please don't forget to log on to the Parentview:  
<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

### 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.