



NEWSLETTER : ISSUE 9

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Welcome:

Dear Parents,

What words do you think of when you think of Brockenhurst CE Primary? Caring, nurturing, family, inclusive, musical, community, sporting or outstanding. We are reviewing our school vision and would love to hear your comments. Please email any thoughts to me direct. We will be launching our new vision and prospectus in the summer.

Please note all of the upcoming PTA events. Last term they raised almost £5000 and made a big step forward with the sensory garden, and in school trips and activities.

Don't forget if you would like to donate to Ken's leaving gift please do so by 4th February. He has big shoes to fill, but I hope to announce his replacement in the next newsletter.

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Reasons to Celebrate:

• The inclement weather delayed the Y5/6 Netball league game against Lymington Junior School by a week. However it was worth the wait as this Monday the sun shone and Brockenhurst successfully won both away games convincingly.

• Last Wednesday our Y5/6 Hockey teams played at Priestlands tournament and did very well achieving 2nd and 4th places.

• This week Brockenhurst sent a Y1&2 team to the Priestlands cross country tournament. The ground was muddy and it was cold and damp, however our team showed extraordinary resilience and gave their best until the very end of the race. We are awaiting the results from Priestlands and will update you once we have them.

• Once again we would like to say a big thank you to the Village Hall Trust for gifting our school a performance of Snow White by M&M. It was a fantastic afternoon and the whole school enjoyed being welcomed back after the Christmas break with this fantastic production by just 4 actors.

School Notices:

• Brockenhurst Pre-School has been providing affordable, accessible early years education and a nurturing home-from-home environment for pre-school aged children for over 50 years. In order to continue providing this service to the community, Pre-School needs to grow, this can be done by relocating to a new building and designated Pre-School area within the school grounds. There is an ideal site available but no suitable building at present – the pre-school need to raise £90,000 to fund this project. Consequently they are planning lots of fundraising activities and events around the village over the next few months, so please join them in your support wherever you can: <https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/charity/brockenhurst-pre-school>

• Having come first in last term's house point count, children in Longslade have chosen to have a film afternoon next Monday with pyjamas and popcorn. The children had a choice of rewards including outdoor games but voted to watch "Aladdin" by an overwhelming majority! Please return your child's permission slip on Monday morning if you have not done so already.

• The PTA are raising money via a Bag2School collection on Thursday 30th January. Items that can be donated are: men's, ladies' and children's clothing; paired shoes (tied together or with an elastic band around); handbags, ties, belts, hats; soft toys and jewellery. All must be clean and no school uniform please. Collection bags have been sent out in your children's school bags but please feel free to fill any bag if you have lots to donate! The heavier the bags, the more money is raised for the school!

Important Dates:

Sun 26th Jan	PTA Pet Show @ Village Hall 2-4pm
Thur 30th Jan	Bag2School
Thur 6th Feb	Owl visit to YR&KS1
Fri 7th Feb	YR to Little Flames
Fri 7th Feb	Y5 to visit Friday club at Village Hall
Thur 13th Feb	Y1/2 trip to Southampton Art Gallery
Fri 14th Feb	Inset Day
17th- 21st Feb	Half-term holiday
Fri 28th Feb	PTA Disco
Fri 6th March	PTA Quiz night
Fri 27th Mar	YR to Little Flames
6th-17th April	Easter Holidays
Mon 20th April	Inset Day
11th-14th May	Y6 SATS week
18-21st May	Y6 Bikeability week
25-29th May	Half-term holiday
Mon 1st June	Inset Day
Thur 2nd July	Sports Day TBC
Fri 3rd July	PTA Fete

Pause For Thought :

School is a building which has four walls with tomorrow inside – Lon Watters