



NEWSLETTER : ISSUE 11

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Welcome:

Dear Parents,

Welcome back. I hope you are all refreshed, ready for another busy time ahead and that you have had a well-deserved break spending precious time with friends and family.

It was great to see so many of you at parents evening before the half-term holiday. Thank you for all your kind messages for Mrs Edwards. We hope to see her back soon.

Our beautiful rural school is becoming more and more a wider part of the community. We offer breakfast and afterschool clubs, a pre-school (hopefully), hire to rock choir and dance groups, alongside educating children daily. With these changes to site use in mind and full backing from the governors we are going to follow the lead of other village community facilities and install 6 CCTV cameras (5 external and 1 internal exit) before the end of March.

Mothers/Family representative day will be held in school on Monday 23rd March. Please see the school notices section for more details. We look forward to seeing you for tea/coffee from 8.30am.

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Reasons to Celebrate:

- At the end of last term all year groups enjoyed our school Dance Festival. Each class practiced their dance in class and performed to the other year groups. Great fun was had by all!
- We would like to say a big thank you to Ballard School for hosting Y4 at the end of last term. They were treated to a performance of "Singing in the Rain" along with several other local schools. It was a very enjoyable afternoon with transport being provided by Ballard School.
- Just before the holiday Y1/2 visited Southampton Art Gallery to explore different types of art. They were able to try different painting and printing techniques as well as being shown some of the paintings in the gallery.
- Our netball team were magnanimous in defeat when they played a game against Hordle last term. Well done for trying your best!
- At Priestlands sporting events: our Y1-2 Quicksticks team came 2nd overall after winning 5 out of 6 matches. Our Y5/6 gym team demonstrated their gym routine and had trampolining, tumbling and vault coaching from a British gymnastics Olympic team member.
- At the annual Walhampton cross-country event this week our Y5 Boys, Y5 Girls and Y6 boys teams competed. All our competitors showed great determination and some came away with medals – well done!

School Notices:

- On Monday 23rd March you are welcome to join us in school for our Mothers/Family Representative day. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served in the hall from 8.30am and you will be able to visit your child/ren's classrooms between 9-10am; this will be followed by an assembly at 10am. We look forward to seeing you there.
- We would like to say thank you to Lymington Rotary club for a donation of £250 towards our new games picnic table. This has 2 chess boards on the table top and is ready now in the courtyard for playtime matches.
- Next Thursday, 5th March is World Book Day. The children are welcome to dress up as their favourite book character (£1 donation please). There will be a prize for the best dressed in each year group – the prizes have been kindly donated by Pegasus Life (Holmwood).
- 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 direct to j.littlewood@brockenhurst-primary.hants.sch.uk We will be launching our new vision and prospectus in the summer.
- 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>

Important Dates:

Fri 28th Feb	PTA Disco (£2 on the door)
Thur 5th March	World Book Day (£1 donation please)
Fri 6th March	PTA Quiz night
Thur 12th March	Y5 trip to NF Wildlife Park
Mon 23rd Mar	Mothers/Family Representatives Day
Wed 25th Mar	Brass Assembly 9am
Fri 27th Mar	Guitar assembly 9am
Fri 27th Mar	YR to Little Flames
Wed 1st April	Piano assembly 9am
Fri 3rd April	Drama club assembly 8.50am
6th-17th April	Easter Holidays
Mon 20th April	Inset Day
11th-14th May	Y6 SATS week
18-21st May	Y6 Bikeability week
18th-22nd May	Walk to School week
25-29th May	Half-term holiday
Mon 1st June	Inset Day
Thur 4th June	KS2 Bird of Prey visit
Wed 10th Jun	Y1/2 & Y5/6 Fire Safety
Fri 12th Jun	Year Group photos

Pause For Thought :

Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out. – Robert Collier