Dear Parents,

**Effectiveness of Leadership**

This week we have been reflecting on the school vision. We have been looking at behaviours and respect in its various different forms. Respect for yourself, respect for others and respect for the wider school (and indeed world).

Our vision is to sustain and develop high quality teaching and learning; with excellent behaviours and safety for all, founded on Christian values. The children came up with some excellent examples of what we do and can indeed do further to establish a wider team ethos where nobody feels disrespected or under valued. Please do ask your children about what is important to them and how they can make positive choices.

**Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment**

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**Shakespeare Day Thursday 23rd March**

West End in school put on a marvellous show yesterday afternoon. All children within the school had played their part in class based workshops and then at the end a whole school production was performed. An impressive accomplishment to tackle Shakespeare in just one day. A display of work from the day will be going up in the library for all to share.

**Year 1 & 2 visit to Manor Farm**

What a fabulous day. The weather was perfect and the children looked amazing in their costumes. Please look at the class blogs for reflections and additional detail.

**Year 3 Pizza Making and Weekly Swimming**

Last week Year 3 had the fantastic opportunity of linking with a local family business and going to a pizza making workshop. All the children took part and the end result was delicious. Our thanks go to the PTA and teachers for encompassing such exciting links.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the swimmers in Year 3. Having joined them every week as one of the instructors it has been great to see their skills develop and positive behaviours shown. Some are even swimming in pyjamas today.

**How small is the World?**

We want to show the children how small the World really is. In order that we can do this please could you send in information to Mrs Hudson of a family member or friend that lives somewhere different in the World. The more unique the better.

I.e. Mrs Hudson’s best friend Elaine lives in Helsinki. It takes 3 hrs to fly to Helsinki from London.

If you are able to include a copy of a photo or email one as well that would be fantastic.
**Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural**

**Mothers Day in school on Friday 24th March**

We had over 80 mums in school this morning sharing in the children’s learning and celebration assembly with Neil. It was superb to share Neil’s thoughts on Joy and the unique bonds between children and their parents.

*SHE JUMPED!*

Congratulations to Laura Rosser. Once the clouds had parted and the rain stopped she managed to do her jump. We are pleased to say that she is in one piece and loved it. So much so she is probably going to do it again from a greater height. A brave lady indeed!

**CHEESE, WINE & MURDER! (NEW PTA event)**

What an excellent evening. After lots of preparation there was not only one but two murders at school! Over 50 people managed to attend including members of the local community. There was a lot of thought needed and some excellent outfits on show. Some of the new school songs will live with me forever…

**BOOK SALE**—Wednesday 5th April  3:00-4:00pm

We are having a book sale to raise funds for the library so that we can buy some new books this year. Please come along & pick up a bargain or 2. Books will be 20p-£1 or £5 for a boxful. If you are unable to make it to the sale but would still like to see the books on offer, please make an appointment to come into the library when Alison, Jo or Su are there and they will be happy to show you which ones are for sale.

Yours sincerely

John Littlewood
Head Teacher

**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.

**Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare**

**Driving around the school area**

Please ensure that when you are driving near school you abide by the rules of the road. I received the following email this week...

Dear Head Teacher

Whilst walking to the station along Partridge Road this morning, a parent dropping their child off at your school drove over the pavement at speed in order to park half on the pavement. They narrowly missed me; however, had someone been slightly ahead of me, they might not have been so lucky:

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4332932/Four-year-old-girl-died-way-school-hit-van.html

**Autism Awareness Week—27th March 2017**

Please see the attached information on understanding autism and note the following website if of interest to you.

www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/understanding-autism

**MUGA Fundraising Family Day—Saturday 1st April  3:00pm**

Please see the additional attachment sent with this newsletter for the family fundraising day at Brockenhurst Football Club. Many events will be hosted by past and present pupils who will benefit from this exceptional facility within our village. The official MUGA fund raising site is as follows; http://www.totalgiving.co.uk/charity/the-brockenhurst-village-trust

**Parent View—Ofsted website.  Your Opinion Counts!**

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views

**Pause for thought…..**

No one can give you heart, no one can give you discipline, no one can make you unstoppable. Those are things you must decide for yourself. But make no mistake, it’s a decision. It’s not a genetic gift. It’s a mindset.
**Dates for your diary for Spring term 2017:**

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

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**Spring Holiday Monday 10th – Friday 21st April 2017**

**Message from the PTA**

**Monday 27th March – Bag2School**

Please remember to have a good clear out and donate your unwanted, good quality textiles!
The collection will be on the Monday morning – so please bring bags in before 9am
If you don’t have a Bag2School bag don’t worry – any bag will do!

**Friday 31st March – Easter Disco**

There is an Easter disco next Friday – tickets are available on the door for £2.00.
Drinks, hot dogs, crisps, mini biscuits and glow sticks will be available to purchase.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Please note that when the PTA are running events we are responsible for your children.
We have trained First Aiders and insurances in place to safeguard your children.
However, it does mean that we need to know any allergies or specific requirements for children attending events.

We will have sign-in forms prior to and at events that can be filled in.
If your child requires medication, you will need to sign this over to one of the PTA First-Aiders at the event (Bronya, Sarah Neller or Laura Rosser).
The PTA cannot access school medication, even if we are holding an event within the school.
Our key priority is the safe wellbeing of the children, so please ensure we have the appropriate information and medication in order to do this.
Your cooperation is appreciated.

**Information Regarding SATs for KS1/2 & Phonic testing**

The dates for the tests are as follows:

- **Phonics (KS1)** Week commencing 12th June 2017
- **KS1 Testing Period**—w/c 15th May 2017
- **KS2 Test week**—w/c 8th May 2017.