Dear Parents

Effectiveness of Leadership

What a morning we have had. The Easter service was amazing. A changed format and layout really allowed for a reflection on the message of Easter—Resurrection Life. The children’s behaviour was impeccable and the singing moving. Brock Voices acapella performance just highlighted what hidden talents we have and how a few children can encourage others to share their passion and create a truly unique shared voice. To see all of the recent music assemblies and singing reminds me that we have a real breadth of skills within our school and with nurturing could make our school stand out as a destination for the whole child. Where academic excellence is supported with creativity, spirituality and sport.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you for supporting us and your children in the challenges they face. Chatting with parents on the gate gives me a great insight into the impact we have on the children. To know the positives and areas of development helps steer us with the school and the wider village community.

Message from Mr Lawton, our Chair of Governors

“This term has certainly been one when the road ahead has seemed a little more challenging than usual. We have received two monitoring visits from Hampshire Inspection and Advisory Service, one at the beginning of term and the annual Learning Link Partner (LLP) visit recently. All staff have risen to the challenges that the term has brought, their hard work, dedication and professionalism have been outstanding and the recent LLP visit confirmed that we are moving forward in many very positive ways. Not all schools in Hampshire receive such positive feedback from monitoring visits such as these. It is always gratifying to receive external confirmation that what we are doing for our children is enhancing their lives. I want to thank you for the support you give to the school, there are so many ways in which you help and I know that all governors and staff appreciate everything you do.”

Quality of Teaching, Learning and Assessment

New Milton Music Festival 2017

Congratulations to the 6 children who took part in the guitar classes of the Festival on Sat 25th March 2017. The children performed solo pieces in front of an adjudicator and received comments about their playing.

Oliver Mycroft came 2nd in the first of the grade one classes with his performance of ‘Boogie’ and received a Silver Medal. Callan Wallis won a gold medal in the other half of the grade 1 class with his performance of ‘Adagio’. Finally, Jon Pepin received 3rd place bronze award for his playing of 007 theme. In the grade 2-3 class Finlay Clayson took gold for his confident rendition of ‘Serenade’ and Luke Shearer picked up a bronze medal for his stylish performance of Spanish tune ‘Maleguena’.

It was a pleasure to spend the morning watching the children perform their pieces with such confidence and security.

Well done to all from Mr Thomas.
Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural

Brass Music Workshop with Bella Tromba – Monday 8th May 2017
Brockenhurst Music Society has sponsored an exciting interactive music workshop for our school. Bella Tromba, a brass quartet of international repute, will visit the school to work with children from Key Stage 2, exploring the history and science of brass instruments.

In the evening of Monday 8th May, Bella Tromba will perform a concert at St Saviour’s Church, Brockenhurst as part of the 2017 Brockenhurst Music Society Season. Parents and children are very welcome to attend the concert which starts at 7.30pm and is free for children, £5.00 for an accompanying adult – tickets available on the door.

School solo Brass players will be expected to bring their instruments into school on Monday 8th May to participate in the workshop. Parents of children who will be participating will be welcome to join us in the school hall at 2.00pm to enjoy a performance.

Yours sincerely
John Littlewood
Head Teacher

Pause for thought.....

Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.
Francis of Assisi

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.

Parent View—Ofsted website. Your Opinion Counts!
https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views

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.
### Dates for your diary for Summer term 2017:

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

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in aid of Oakhaven Hospice
on
Good Friday 14th April
at
At Setley Ridge Vineyard
Easter Bonnet Parade
Children’s games
Garden crafts
Tug of war
Live music and plenty of Refreshments
Information: 01590 622020

Thank you for your on-going support and have a wonderful Easter!
Best wishes – the PTA.

Message from the PTA
SENSORY GARDEN RETREAT...
The PTA are busy planning a new ‘Sensory Garden Retreat’ for the wood chip area to the rear of the playground. The garden will not only be beautiful to look at but tantalise the senses too! It will also act as an educational and learning area for children to get hands on and connect with the great outdoors.
The garden will include musical chimes, a living willow dome, bug hotels, wild flowers, fragrant plants, seating areas and much more. The PTA are looking for help and donations to achieve this. If you are able to donate any seeds, plants, compost, garden furniture, benches, planters or other garden items then please contact the PTA on: brockprimarypta@gmail.com

Thank you...
The PTA would like to thank you for all your support over the last term – from those attending the Murder Mystery evening and baking and buying cakes to those at the disco serving lots of hot dogs and bringing in your Bag2School donations! Thank you!

Also a very special thank you to Laura Rosser, “The Flying Dinner Lady” who successfully completed her skydive! Laura raised a staggering £830.00 to be split between the PTA and Macmillan – well done Laura, fantastic job!

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New Forest Childcare
Job Vacancy at Hordle After school Club from September 2017.
Hours 2.30 to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday
Term time
For further details, please contact NFCC on 02380 893244

Buckland Rings
Family Open Day
To launch the new trails and artwork developed by SPUD Youth
Sat 22nd April from 12-3pm
Everyone Welcome
An authentic display of Iron Age weapons, cooking and even a chance for youngsters to have a try at a mini battle!
Prizes for the best Iron Age costumes
Information displays from: Hampshire County Council Countryside Service
New Forest National Park Authority
and St Barbe Museum
there is no parking on site – please walk or cycle
Buckland Rings is located near Lyndhurst, between Sway Road and the A337 Lyndhurst Road
Contact: janeheadspud@gmail.com

Brockenhurst Choir
Spring Concert
RUTTER Requiem
SCHUBERT Mass in G
ARENSKY 3 Quartets Op 57
SATURDAY 13 May 7.45pm
St Saviour’s Church
Brockenhurst
Director: Miriam Newton
Cello: Lionel Hardy
Soprano: Mimi Doulton
TICKETS £15 (£5 students) from Streets and Pot Pourri,
Brookley Road Brockenhurst, or at the door
brockenhurstchoir.com
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For more information, visit: sgn.co.uk/Safety/Carbon-monoxide

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