



## NEWSLETTER : ISSUE 3

2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

### Welcome:

Dear Parents,

I hope this update finds you and your family safe and well.

May I start by saying thank you for working with us so well over staggered starts and collections. The system is working so well we are able to bring the next groups in earlier most days. The gate will remain open until 8:50am so no need to worry if you are a little late. Our aim is to provide enough time for you to socially distance when dropping and collecting. If you wish to wear a face mask on site please do.

With flu season upon us I am pleased to inform you that our school will be one of the first to receive the vaccine (next Tuesday), which will not only help protect the school, but the local community. If you have any questions please ask Shelley in the office.

Hopefully you will also have noticed the Brock Preschool is now on site and open. Melanie Edwards and the Trustees have worked tirelessly with me and the school to make this happen. It fits seamlessly within the site and from Monday Badger's Rest After School Club will be based in there and will dismiss from their door and not the hall. A bell and signage will be on the fence next to the Preschool door. Badger's Rest Breakfast Club will continue in the hall until after half term. Please remember that Badger's Rest is for Preschool and Brockenhurst Primary School children from ages 2 to 11 years old. If you attend the Preschool or the school you are automatically registered and entitled to use us. We do accept childcare vouchers and are also registered with the Government Tax Free Childcare scheme. Please speak to Shelley in the office for booking support.

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### Reasons to Celebrate:

After many months of hard work, and support via community fund-raising, Brockenhurst Preschool has now moved into the beautiful new building on our school site. *"Thank you to everyone at Brockenhurst Primary School for making us feel so welcome. We are so excited to be in our new home and we are overwhelmed by the support we have received from all of you. Love from all of us at Brockenhurst Preschool x"*

We are very excited that we now offer wrap around care on-site from 7.45am to 6pm for children age 2-11. Emma Hodkin, Badger's Rest supervisor, has an emergency contact number for use when the school office is closed: 07445 378433.



### Pause For Thought :

Never give up, for that is the place and time that the tide will turn – Harriet Beecher Stowe

### School Notices:

• **Annual Data Collection:** Please log onto your SIMS Parent app account to check that your contact details and child's vital information is currently up to date. (Please note we no longer send out paper forms.) If your details change throughout the year you can amend these yourself via the app at any time. If you do not have a SIMS Parent account please contact the office – we will need your current email address to activate this for you.

• **School lunch price change:** HCC have agreed a price increase to school lunches from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020. For KS2 this will rise by 10p to £2.50 a day; all KS1 children will still benefit from Universal Free School meals. HC3S, our school lunch providers, have attributed this to the increasing cost of ingredients. They are also looking to source alternatives to single-use plastic across their operation. HC3S have asked for parental feedback on school lunches via the following SurveyMonkey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/55TDFCZ>

• **Important Reminder:** The deadline for completion of flu immunisation consent forms is today, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The school immunisation team will be visiting us on 6<sup>th</sup> October to administer flu vaccines to all year groups by parental e-consent.

• If your child is due to start school in September 2021 please go to [www.hants.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hants.gov.uk/admissions) for information on how to apply. Applications are open from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 - the closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> January. Due to the current pandemic we will not be holding open days at present, however if you are unfamiliar with the school please feel free to contact the school office to arrange a visit after school hours.

### Important Dates:

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Oct** YR class photo for local paper  
**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Oct** YR-6 Flu immunisation (by consent)

#### Term Dates

<b>26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	Half Term
<b>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	Inset Day
<b>Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov</b>	Children return to school
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	Christmas Holiday
<b>Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Inset Day
<b>15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Half Term
<b>Thur 1<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Last Day of Spring Term
<b>19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	First Day of Summer Term
<b>31<sup>st</sup> May-4<sup>th</sup> Jun</b>	Half Term
<b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Inset Day
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Last day of term