



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 6

9th December 2021

Welcome:

Dear Parents and Friends of Brockenhurst CE Primary and Pre-School

We have almost made it - I can hear the sleigh bells in the distance!

The children have all been busy rehearsing for their performances and the Pre-School and YR nativity was excellent; calm and composed with lots of sparkle and smiles. KS1 and KS2 performances will be equally memorable. Thankfully being based in church has really helped maintain parent presence during increased COVID times. Thank you to Simon and the team for hosting us.

I hope you all have a fabulous Christmas and wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

As always please do contact me directly if needed.

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A huge thank you to **New Forest Concrete** for once again supporting the school by providing a fantastic new, tidy area at the front of the school. If you have any jobs that need doing we highly recommend the friendly, efficient team.

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Governor Focus:

This term governors have been delighted to be able to resume their visits into school and Pre-School enabling them to talk to staff and children directly and understand better how their decisions are impacting on life in school and Pre-School.

We have had a full term of committee meetings and we are pleased to have been able to lower the age range of the school, so our Pre-School is now a full part of our organisation.

We welcome feedback and comments from parents and have introduced "Governor on the gate" so a governor joins staff at the school gate about once a week to welcome the children and talk with parents.

Thank you for all the support you give our school and Pre-School. Wishing you a happy and healthy festive season and all good wishes for the year ahead.

Vicky Wales
Chair of Governors.

School Notices

• **Music Assemblies** Unfortunately Mr Thomas's piano and guitar assemblies that were scheduled for next week have now been cancelled. In addition to this the Y4 Listen2Me assembly next week has also been cancelled. We hope to be able to invite parents in next term for performance assemblies and will inform you as soon as we have new dates confirmed.

• **Christmas Lunch** In the light of recent Government guidance surrounding COVID developments, we have decided to run the school Christmas lunch across two days, so that fewer children are in the school hall at once. Pre-School, YR & KS1 will have Christmas lunch on **Tuesday 14th December**; on this day the KS2 will have lunch options of Vegetarian Sausages or Pasta Bolognese for lunch. KS2 will have Christmas lunch on **Wednesday 15th December**; on this day the younger years will have the choice of Chicken Curry or Jacket Potato with cheese for lunch. Christmas lunch does not need to be pre-ordered.

• This year we will again be coordinating **Christmas Jumper Day** with Christmas lunch. Children are welcome to wear their Christmas jumpers on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th December. We politely request a minimum donation of £1 for Save the Children.

• **Extra Curricular Clubs (Spring Term)** The Scopay booking system is now open for spring term clubs. When you log into your Scopay account you will be able to see all clubs appropriate for your child's age group, where there are spaces remaining. Making payment guarantees your child's place for the term; please note that you will not receive an email confirmation. Externally run clubs need to be booked direct with the provider – further details are available on the clubs timetable which has been sent alongside this newsletter.

• Reminder: Extra Curricular Clubs do not run in the last week of term. However **Badger's Rest Breakfast and After-School** club are available up to and including the last day of term. Sessions for next week can be booked by contacting the school office, or Emma Hodkin direct on: 07445 378433.

Calendar

Mon 13th Dec	PTA Christmas Shop
Tues 14th Dec	PTA Christmas shop
Tues 14th Dec	YR/KS1 Christmas lunch
Wed 15th Dec	KS2 Christmas lunch
Tues 14th/Wed 15th Dec	Christmas Jumper Days
Thur 16th Dec (1.45pm)	KS2 Carols round the tree
Fri 17th Dec	Last Day of Term
Tues 4th Jan	First day of spring term
Fri 18th Feb	Inset Day
21st - 25th Feb	Half Term Holiday
11th - 22nd April	Easter Holiday
30th - 3rd May	Half term Holiday
Mon 6th June	Inset Day
Thur 21st July	Last day of school

Pause For Thought

Nothing ever seems too bad, too hard, or too sad when you've got a Christmas tree in the living room – Nora Roberts