



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 11

22nd March 2023

Welcome:

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

I am pleased to say that musical assemblies and the Easter service are very much upon us and a great time for all to celebrate achievements and new life. It is always a pleasure to see parents and wider family sharing in school events.

Thank you again to those who filled in parent view. We have started to discuss with the governing body and will be asking children for their thoughts too. Future actions from the results will be shared in the second part of the summer term.

For those children who have missed Forest School this half term we will be prioritising them in the summer term. No children will miss out on the opportunity. We are very lucky to be able to offer such an experience and will keep building on its success.

J Littlewood, Head Teacher
j.littlewood@brockenhurst-primary.hants.sch.uk

Reasons to Celebrate:

- We are taking part in the Big Walk & Wheel challenge. This is a walking, scooting and cycling school challenge between 20th and 31st March. Please encourage your children to take part on as many days as possible.
- Y1 had a fabulous time at Marwell Zoo looking at animals and their habitats. There was the added excitement of a flurry of snow as well as giraffes, rhinos, tigers, penguins and much more.
- A team of Brockenhurst rugby players attended a Rippa Rugby Festival last week. There was a morning of coaching followed by non-competitive matches against



Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole schools during the afternoon.

- Over the last two weeks Priestlands sporting fixtures have included Y3 Netball and KS2 Athletics. Well done to all those that took part in representing our school.

School Notices

- **Extra-curricular clubs for the summer term** will be available to book via your Scopay account from Thursday 23rd March at 5.30pm. Please check the clubs [timetable](#) for the start and end dates of your chosen club as these are variable. The timetable is available on our school website. Clubs run by external providers should be booked and paid for direct with them. Please note that clubs are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- A **new school lunch menu** will run from after the Easter holiday (April to October 2023). Red and green options are available daily to YR and Pre-School. Additional options of a filled jacket potato or picnic lunch are also available to Years 1-6. The menu is available to view and download at [School Meals](#) on our website.
- **Pupil premium** is additional funding allocated to schools for pupils who have been registered for free school meals (FSM), looked after children and those of service personnel. It provides additional financial support for a variety of things including some residential school trips. It is available for children whose parent or carer receives one or more of the following benefits: Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, the guaranteed element of Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190), Working Tax Credit run-on, Universal Credit - household income must be less than £7,400 a year. **Check your eligibility [here](#).**
- There are still some places available for **Easter Holiday Club**. If you would like to make a booking please contact Emma Hodkin on: 07445 378433. The club will run Monday to Thursday in the first week and Tuesday to Friday in the second week i.e. there will be no holiday club running on the Easter bank holiday weekend. The cost is £30 per day for the first child and £20 thereafter for each sibling. Children will need to bring their own packed lunch. Please note holiday club sessions are non-refundable.

Calendar

| | |
|---|--|
| w/c 21 st March | Book Fayre |
| Wed 22 nd March | Piano Assembly 9am |
| Thur 23 rd March | Y6 residential trip meeting 3.30pm |
| Fri 24 th March | Drum Assembly 9am |
| Fri 24 th March | YR Little Flames |
| Mon 27 th March | Y2 trip to Avon Tyrell |
| Tues 28 th March | Brass performance and Y4 ukulele assembly 11am |
| Wed 29 th March | Easter Service @ St Saviours 10.30am |
| Wed 29 th March | Woodwind pupils – Highcliffe Community Concert |
| Wed 29 & Thurs 30 th | Story Explorer Drama Workshops – all year groups |
| Wed 29 th March | Y1 Woodpeckers Spring Festival |
| Fri 31 st March | Pre-School Open Day 12-2pm |
| Fri 31 st March | Inset Day |
| 3 rd -14 th April | Easter Holiday |
| 19 th -21 st April | Y4 Hooke Court residential |
| Wed 26 th April | Y3 trip to Butser Farm |
| Wed 26 th April | YR trip to Mast theatre |
| Mon 1 st May | Bank Holiday |
| Wed 3 rd May | Y2 trip to Longdown Activity Farm |
| Mon 8 th May | Coronation Bank Holiday |
| Thurs 25 th May | Class Photographs |
| 29 th May-2 nd June | Half term Holiday |
| Mon 5 th June | Inset Day |
| Fri 9 th & 16 th June | Y6 Bikeability |
| Fr 23 rd June | Y2/6 Fire Safety talk |
| Fri 30 th June | Y6 transition day – Highcliffe School |
| Tues 11 th July | Y6 Priestlands intake Day |

Pause For Thought

"Just one small positive thought in the morning can change your whole day" — Dalai Lama