



## NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 9

10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### Welcome:

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

It was really lovely to see everyone at Parent's Evening this week and hear so many positive comments about the children.

Thank you to all those of you that have already completed the Parent View survey. We really do appreciate you taking the time to give your feedback. This assists us in looking at where we have come from and helping us to adjust the priorities of where we are going, on our road to outstanding education for all of your children. If you have not done so already, please follow the link provided to submit your comments; all submissions are anonymous.

I hope you and your families have a restful half-term break and we look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

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### Reasons to Celebrate:

- Our school has been nominated for the 2023 National STARS School Travel Awards. This follows on from recent success in achieving Modeshift STARS Platinum accreditation for work promoting walking, cycling and other forms of sustainable transport to school. Of the 3500 schools participating in Modeshift STARS, we are one of only 117 schools nominated. Our thanks go to Mrs Cowell for all her hard work on the project.
- Congratulations to all those children in Oberfield (yellow) who achieved the highest total of house points last term. They celebrated with an afternoon of film and popcorn in pyjamas.
- This week a group of Y3/4 children attended a non-competitive Mixed Sports fixture to experience new and inclusive sports.
- Y5 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Winchester Science Centre last week; they made gas fuelled rockets and visited the planetarium. Our thanks go again to local company RWD for funding the trip.

### School Notices

- A new after-school club for Spring-2 term is now available to book for Y1-3; this will run on Thursday afternoons. At "**Biscuits and Books**" children will spend 5 weeks exploring books around an "under the sea" theme. Each week will begin by sharing a story while enjoying a biscuit and drink. We will then have a range of different activities for children to enjoy. Some activities will include: creating our own under the sea themed mini picture books, making puppets and putting on a show and creating our own bookmarks. This is a great opportunity for your child to relax, read and listen to stories, be fully immersed in a range of books and have lots of fun with hands on activities. Please login to your Scopay account to book a place.
- There are a few spaces available on selected days for next week's **Holiday Club**. If you would like to book a space, please contact Emma Hodkin directly on: 07445 378433, as you will now be unable to book through Scopay. The day runs from 8am until 5pm, with drop off between 8-8:30am and pickup 4:30-5pm. The cost is £30 per day for the first child and £20 thereafter for each sibling. This includes a morning and afternoon snack; children will need to bring their own packed lunch. Please note holiday club sessions are non-refundable.
- Please be cautious when using the **school crossing**, particularly later in the afternoon at dusk, when Mr Locke our crossing patrol officer is not present. We have had reports that some drivers have failed to notice adults and children waiting to cross the road. Ensure children wear something fluorescent wherever possible.

#### Ofsted Parent View

We are now halfway through the school year and the Governing Body has been carrying out a review, looking at how well things are going. We would appreciate you assisting us and sharing your views by completing a short Parent View Survey.

There are 14 questions asking how strongly you agree or disagree with each statement. You are required to register and login to the site to prevent misuse; however **all submissions are anonymous and respondents are unable to be identified**.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

Thank you for your time in providing this valuable feedback.

### Calendar

<b>Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>	PTA Bag2School
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Author visit for Pre-School/YR/Y1
<b>Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>World Book Day: book character dress up</b>
<b>Wed 8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Y1 trip to Marwell Zoo
<b>w/c 21<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>Book Fayre</b>
<b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Y1 Woodpeckers Spring Festival</b>
<b>Fri 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	YR Little Flames
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Y2 trip to Avon Tyrell
<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Inset Day
<b>3<sup>rd</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Easter Holiday
<b>19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	Y4 Hooke Court residential
<b>Wed 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Y3 trip to Butser Farm
<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Y2 trip to Longdown Activity Farm
<b>Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Class Photographs
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	Half term Holiday
<b>Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Inset Day
<b>Fri 9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 16<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Y6 Bikeability
<b>Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	Y2/6 Fire Safety talk
<b>Fri 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 transition day – Highcliffe School
<b>Tues 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Y6 Priestlands intake Day

#### Pause For Thought

"What do you want to be when you grow up?" "Kind", said the boy." — Charlie Mackesy, (The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse)

At Brockenhurst CE Primary School & Pre-School our vision is to inspire a love of learning, within a nurturing Christian environment.