



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 17

14th July 2023

Welcome:

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

Wow! What an end to a great year. Sports day, KS2 production and a rigorous and pleasing Ofsted. With Meet the Teacher, music assemblies and the Leaver's Service still to come!

It has been a great year and I could not be prouder of the children, staff, governors and yourselves for the support we have been given. Together we really do make a difference to our school and wider community. A caring and supportive destination for all.

I am pleased to say that all staffing arrangements announced in early May remain unchanged and the children will spend some time in their new classes on Monday morning, with an opportunity for you to do the same after school. The session will give you chance to ask questions and have the basic overall curriculum and expectations shared with you. These were two points that came out of Parent View as areas for development and we wanted to action quickly.

Our Ofsted report is planned for publication in late September when I will happily share the findings with you.

I hope you all have a restful summer.

J Littlewood, Head Teacher

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Reasons to Celebrate:

- Congratulations to Oberfield, who won the most house points on Sports Day!
- A big thank you to Meadens in the village who have donated £200 towards our fund raising for the school crossing patrol.
- Y6 walked to St Nicholas' Church to learn its fascinating history and role in WW1. They also had the chance to ring the church bells – thank you to Di Fletcher for sharing her knowledge.
- YR enjoyed a sunny morning at St Saviour's Church supporting their RE topic of special places.
- Y2 & Y6 had a visit from the school education team at Hampshire & IOW Fire and Rescue Service, who delivered vital sessions on fire safety.
- Well done to our Y5/6 rounders team who won first place at the Priestlands tournament last week:



School Notices

- There are limited spaces still available on some of our **autumn term extra-curricular clubs**. If you would like to secure a place for your child, please log into your Scopay account and make payment. If a school-run club is full, you will be unable to see this in your account. Clubs run by external providers should be booked directly with them.
- There are some spaces available at our on-site **Holiday Club** during the first 4 weeks of the summer holiday. If you would like to make bookings please call or text Emma Hodkin on: 07445 378433. The cost is £30 per day, with a £10 discount for each sibling. The price includes a morning and afternoon snack; children will need to bring their own packed lunch. The day runs from 8am until 5pm. Please note Holiday Club sessions are non-refundable. Payment can be made with childcare vouchers. If you would like to use childcare vouchers and have not done so previously, please contact the school office with details of your voucher provider and reference number.
- If your child is 3-4 years old and you are eligible for **30 hours free childcare** please ensure that your eligibility code is up to date. If your code has an end date before 1st September 2023 you will need to apply for an updated code by the deadline of **31st August** to be eligible in the autumn term. To apply and check whether you are eligible go to: <https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>
- **Cheese and Wine**: You are all invited to meet our vicar Revd Simon Newham, Child and Family Worker Mel and foundation governors at an informal cheese and wine on Monday 18th September at 6.30pm, in the school hall. This is a great opportunity to chat and hear about plans for the new academic year. Please do join us.
- **Thank you** to Mr Purkess, who gave his time to speak to Y5 about Brockenhurst railway during their history lesson.

Calendar

Fri 14th July	KS2 Production 6.30pm (Doors open at 6pm)
Mon 17th July	Moving up morning
Mon 17th July	Meet the Teacher 3.15pm
Tues 18th July	Y4 music concert & Y6 brass pupils 11am
Tues 18th July	Guitar assembly 2.15pm
Wed 19th July	Piano assembly 9am
Thurs 20th July	Leavers Service @ St Saviour's Church 10.30am
Fri 21st July	Last day of term
Fri 1st Sept	Inset Day
Mon 4th Sept	Children return to school for the autumn term
Mon 18th Sept	Cheese & Wine evening 6.30pm
23rd-27th Oct	Half-term holiday

Sports Day Results

- 1st - Oberfield
- 2nd - Longslade
- 3rd - Rhinefield
- 4th - Whitmoor

Recommended Reads – Y3/4:

- The Last Firefox by Lee Newbery - A heart-warming story about family, friendship and finding your inner fire. A boy befriends a very special fox whose uniqueness leads them both on a whirlwind adventure
- The Boy Who Made Everyone Laugh by Helen Rutter - This touching book is inspired by the author's own son who has a stammer. Billy Plimpton is an eleven-year-old boy with a big dream. He wants to be a stand-up comedian.

Pause For Thought

"I love how summer just wraps its arms around you like a warm blanket." Kellie Elmore