



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 4

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

7th November 2023

Welcome:

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

How lovely it is to see the sunshine after the rain. Blue skys calling and we can put the ark away for now.

As you know we strive to be an active part of the community and see the school as a local resource. In working with the community we have been lucky enough to receive a cheque for £1,295 from Brockenhurst cinema (in association with Moviola Ltd) to buy a defibrillator that is suitable for children and adults and is based by our entrance. This is listed on the national database and we hope will serve the community when it is needed.

To ensure maximum confidence and awareness of the defibrillator there is a training session at 6:30pm on Monday 13th November in the school hall. This will be an opportunity to get hands on and gain confidence, in turn supporting the community.

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Recommended Reads - Pre-School & YR:

- Tiny Crab is a Tidy Crab! By Paula Bowles
- Gordon's Great Escape by Sue Hendra and Paul Linnet.

Reasons to Celebrate:

- We are now fortunate to have two defibrillators at our school. We have one within the school and another available for public access. These were funded by a grant and a generous donation.
- We are delighted to tell you that our school has been invited to become a "Music Mark School" in recognition of our school's commitment to music education. Music Mark is the UK Association for music education, championing and supporting access to music for all children; and is supported through a partnership with ABRSM.
- Last week a team of KS1 children attended a non-competitive gymnastics event at Priestlands School, where they tried out new apparatus such as vault, balance beam and trampolines.
- Thank you to everyone who filled and returned shoe boxes for the Rotary Christmas Appeal. Over 70 boxes were collected before the half-term holiday and are now heading to disadvantaged and displaced children across eastern Europe.
- Y3 enjoyed a trip on the train to Southampton Art Gallery last Tuesday, where they explored different types of art and created their own artwork.

School Notices

- **Poppy Appeal:** We have poppies and poppy products such as snap bracelets and rulers available at the school office. We would suggest a minimum £1 donation.
- **Defibrillator Training:** We are pleased to invite all those interested to a community defibrillator training event on Monday 13th November 6.30pm-8pm. This will be held in the school hall.
- **Badger's Rest** breakfast, after-school and holiday clubs are becoming increasingly popular. Please make bookings as soon as possible via your Scopay account. Should you wish to make last minute bookings, please contact the school office, or Emma Hodkin directly on: 07445 378433. Please note that Emma will reply during normal working hours only.
- **Art Projects For Schools Christmas cards:** Deadline for orders is Friday 10th November. Visit www.apfsorders.co.uk and input your unique artwork code - found on the label on the reverse of the artwork - and your child's first name and surname.
- The deadline for ordering **school photographs** is Monday 13th November. Please order via the Tempest Photography website using the code on your photo proof sheet. Orders will arrive in time for Christmas.
- We are proud to be supporting **New Forest for Ukraine** in their Soup & Soap campaign. If you would like to donate a tin of soup and/or a bar of soap for the refugees in Ukraine we have a collection box in the school office. Thank you for your generosity.
- This year the school **Christmas lunch** will be on Wednesday 13th December; there is no need to pre-order. On Thursday 14th December the menu choices will be: Red - chicken & oriental style vegetable rice, Green - Pizza.
- The next "SO4:12" **Church event for families** is on Sunday 19th November. Do come and join in at 10.30am in the school hall for songs and games.
- Applications are now open for Hampshire residents for Year R places for September 2024. Go to www.hants.gov.uk/admissions for more information. The closing date is Monday 15th January.

Calendar

Tues 7th Nov	Y2 trip to Sea City museum
Thur 9th Nov	Y5 trip to Marwell (rescheduled)
Fri 10th Nov	YR/1/2 West End in Schools – Diwali
Mon 13th Nov	Defibrillator training in school hall 6.30pm-8pm
Sun 19th Nov	Church event for families 10.30am – school hall
Sun 26th Nov	PTA wreath making
27th-30th Nov	YR Balance Bikeability
Wed 29th Nov	Flu vaccinations for YR-Y6 (by consent)
Fri 1st Dec	Drum/Saxophone assembly 9am
Mon 4th Dec	PTA Bag2School 8.30am
Mon 4th Dec	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tues 5th Dec	Pre-School/YR Nativity 2.15pm St Saviour's Church
Wed 6th Dec	Guitar Assembly 2.15pm
Wed 6th Dec	Piano Assembly 9am
Thur 7th Dec	KS1 Nativity 6pm
Fri 8th Dec	KS1 Nativity 1.45pm
Fri 8th Dec	YR to Little Flames @ St Saviour's church
Wed 13th Dec	PTA school disco
Wed 13th Dec	Christmas lunch
Thurs 14th Dec	KS1 Christingle 2pm
Thurs 14th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day - £1 donation please
Thurs 14th Dec	Christmas Crafts morning – whole school
Thurs 14th Dec	KS2 Carols round the tree 1.30pm at St Saviour's

Pause For Thought

We will remember them - Laurence Binyon

