



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 5

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL 13th November 2024

Welcome:

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

Thank you to all the children and families who came to any of the remembrance services. It warms the heart to see future generations paying their respects to those who sacrificed so much.

As you will have seen in the news, budgets and pupil numbers are a challenge for all schools nationally. We are different in how we run and are proud to stand out. We are the destination of choice and we want to remain as we are. On our own journey where children come first. Attached to this newsletter is a letter from myself and the PTA. It is structured in a way that should you or the company you work for have any way of funding or donating to the school you can do so. Some organisations are not allowed to give to church groups, but the PTA means you can. Company donations can also claim back the VAT if that helps.

We are aiming to be proactive and reach out to the community. Every little helps.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the PTA Quiz on Friday.

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Reasons to Celebrate:

- Year 2 had a fabulous time at Sea City museum today. They took part in a Titanic workshop, discovery sessions and explored the museum.
- Weekly sports fixtures at Priestlands School give the children the opportunity to experience sports they may not have tried before and also the chance to compete against other local schools. Last week a group of KS1 children travelled to a gymnastics fixture and today a team of KS2 girls competed in a football tournament. We are proud that our children are always willing to try their best, show great team spirit and have the will to succeed.



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School Notices

- This year **Christmas lunch** will be served on Wednesday 18th December – there is no need to pre-order. The usual Wednesday options of honey glazed chicken with rice (red) and pizza (green), will be served on Thursday 19th December.
- We will be supporting Save The Children on Thursday 19th December with **Christmas jumper day**. We politely request a minimum donation of £1 please for this very worthy cause.
- **Applications for YR 2025** school places are now open. This will close on Wednesday 15th January. For more information go to www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. If your child is 4 years old or will turn 4 before 1st September 2025, they can start school in September 2025.
- A **vacancy** has arisen for a Midday Supervisory Assistant (MDSA). If you would like to work at our school 1.25 hours a day, Monday to Friday, term time only, please contact the office for an application form.
- Hampshire Education Catering have a **vacancy** for a unit manager at our school. The post is 25 hours a week, Monday to Friday, term time only. For further information [click here](#).
- Please note that there have been changes to the National framework and Hampshire policy for the issuing of **penalty notices for unauthorised absence**. As was the case previously, if the threshold of 10 sessions (a session being a morning or an afternoon) of unauthorised absences in any 10-week rolling period is reached, penalty notices will be issued to each parent. Penalty notices have now increased to £80 per child per parent for the first penalty notice (PN) issued since September 2024. If a second PN is issued within three years, this will cost £160 per parent per child. Should the threshold be reached a third time within three years, a referral to the Hampshire Legal Intervention Team will be made.

Calendar

Fri 15 th Nov	KS2 trip to Mayflower Theatre
Fri 15 th Nov	PTA Quiz Night
Thurs 21 st Nov	Parent Workshops: Maths/English
Sun 24 th Nov	SO4 12 Family Church in hall
Fri 29 th Nov	PTA Winter Wonderland Christmas fete
Fri 6 th Dec	Brockenhurst village fun evening
Tues 10 th Dec	KS1 Nativity 1.30pm
Wed 11 th Dec	Piano performance assembly 9am
Wed 11 th Dec	Pre-School and Year R Nativity 2pm
Thur 12 th Dec	KS1 Nativity 6pm
Fri 13 th Dec	YR to Little Flames
Tues 17 th Dec	Guitar performance assembly 2.30pm
Wed 18 th Dec	YR & KS1 Christingle 2pm (school hall)
Wed 18 th Dec	Christmas lunch
Thurs 19 th Dec	Christmas jumper day: Save the Children
Thurs 19 th Dec	Christmas craft morning
Thur 19 th Dec	KS2 Carols round the tree 1.30pm
23 rd Dec – 3 rd Jan	Christmas holiday
Mon 6 th Jan	Children return to school
Fri 14 th Feb	Inset Day
17 th -21 st Feb	Half-term holiday
7 th -21 st April	Easter Holiday
26 th -30 th May	Half-term holiday
21 st -22 nd July	Inset Days

Pause For Thought – anti bullying week

"Don't you ever let a soul in the world tell you that you can't be exactly who you are." Lady Gaga

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