



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 8

***WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL* 17th January**

Welcome:

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

Welcome back. It has been lovely seeing the children settle so quickly.

There is lots planned this term from Y3 swimming, PTA Panto, weekly sports events at Priestlands School, Forest School, and lots of fun learning. Having shown many parents and Ofsted around recently I am reminded how lucky we are in our setting and staff. The children have a wealth of opportunities and support, we really do want them to believe that anything is possible if they put their mind to it.

Please note the PTA AGM is on Tuesday 28th January straight after school. If you could spare a little time to support it would be much appreciated. In the current financial climate an active parent group who raise funds is essential.

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Reasons to Celebrate:

- Y6 completed their Bikeability course this week. They undertook a Level 1 assessment on the playground to ensure they met the required standard and were safe to go out on local roads. Level 2 covered safe cycling skills and the rules of the road. At the end of the course each child received a badge, certificate and guidance on which areas of training require further practise.
- We are proud to tell you that our school has been awarded Modeshift Stars Local Authority Primary School of the Year. Modeshift Stars recognises excellence in supporting sustainable and active travel. Thank you to Mrs Cowell for all her hard work in this area.
- At Priestlands Tag Rugby fixture this week, our Y5/6 team brought home gold medals and the Y3/4 team played some very strong matches. Well done to all who took part.



Recommended Reads for Y5 & Y6

- Light Up by Lisette Auton
- The Glorious Race of Magical Beasts by Alex Bell

School Notices

- We are aware that cases of scabies are increasing both locally and nationally. Scabies is an itchy rash caused by mites. It is spread through close skin contact, and anyone can get it. It should be treated quickly to stop it spreading. The symptoms of scabies are: intense itching (especially at night), a raised rash or spots. Members of the household and close contacts require treatment. Children can return to school following the first treatment. Further information can be found at: www.nhs.uk/conditions/scabies/
- Whilst we recognise that occasionally exceptional circumstances may result in a late arrival to school, we continue to monitor **persistent lateness**. Arriving on time to school enables your child to start their day calmly, allowing them to be mentally and physically ready to learn and ensures they do not have unnecessary gaps in their knowledge caused by missing key information. We know that persistent lateness can result in children missing out on key literacy and numeracy skills and knowledge. If your child is late to school on several occasions we may request a meeting with you to discuss how this can be resolved. **Learning starts promptly in class at 8.30am.**



Calendar

Tues 28 th Jan	PTA AGM 3.15pm
Wed 29 th Jan	Y3 trip to Southampton Art Gallery
Thur 30 th Jan	YR – Y6 Panto @ village hall
Fri 31 st Jan	PTA Disco
Thurs 6 th Feb	Y5 to Ballard School performance
Mon 10 th Feb	Parents Evening
Tues 11 th Feb	Parents Evening
Fri 14 th Feb	Inset Day
17 th -21 st Feb	Half-term holiday
Fri 21 st Mar	YR to Little Flames
Thurs 27 th Mar	Y3 trip to St Saviours
Fri 28 th Mar	Choir, singing, drums and sax assembly
7 th -21 st April	Easter Holiday
23 rd -25 th April	Y4 to Hooke Court
Tues 6 th May	Class Photographs
Tues 6 th May	Y2 swim course begins (10 weeks)
26 th -30 th May	Half-term holiday
Thur 5 th June	Fire Safety assembly Y2/6
Fri 4 th July	YR to Little Flames
Tues 8 th July	Priestlands Intake Day
21 st -22 nd July	Inset Days

Pause For Thought

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud — Maya Angelou