



NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 11

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL 7th March 2025

Welcome:

Dear Parents and Friends of Brockenhurst CE Primary, Pre-School & Nursery

I was lucky enough this week to be part of a group of head teachers listening to Baroness Floella Benjamin. To hear how experience and education shaped her life as an ambassador for children was inspirational.

Most of us who work in education do so as it is our vocation, Education is your passport to life. We aim to be patient, to treat children differently and to love them unconditionally. Childhood lasts a lifetime and I am so proud that we are different at Brockenhurst and that the whole team always puts children first.



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We need your help!

Pre-School are in need of a 5'x7' garden shed. If you know anyone who would be happy to donate a pre-loved shed in good condition, please let us know.

Reasons to Celebrate:

- World Book Day was celebrated this year with a carousel of activities throughout the school, celebrating books and encouraging a love of reading. The children enjoyed coming to school in their pyjamas and comfy clothes ready for the activities in mixed year groups.
- Last half term finished with much excitement as the "Great Brock Dance Off 2025" took place. All children took part, working with their year group and Houses. The whole school warmed up together and supported each other during each performance. At the end of the event Oberfield were declared the winners. Well done to everyone for a fabulous morning.
- This term Y5 are taking part in D&T sessions hosted by The Pig Hotel & Restaurant. The Pig are collaborating with The Royal Academy of Culinary Arts Adopt a School programme. The children will learn about food holistically. So far, they have learnt about the different taste elements of food and practised knife skills whilst making salad.
- Well done to all who took part in the Y5/6 Netball tournament at Priestlands School this week. The team did very well, finishing in second place overall.
- The children have learnt in assembly about Byumba in Rwanda. They will be creating digital diaries to share with children at the Primary School there; hopefully this will become reciprocal in the future.

School Notices

- We are pleased to tell you that we are working on a **new clubs timetable** for the summer term. Next term all clubs will run for the full term i.e. from week commencing 28th April, with the final week being w/c 7th July. Both KS1 & KS2 will have a club available each day. We will email you with a release date when clubs will be available to book on Scopay.
- There will be a **Y6 SATS information evening** held on Monday 24th March for parents. This will be held at 6.15pm in the hall. All Y6 parents are welcome to attend; no pre-booking is necessary.
- **Childcare eligibility codes:** The deadline for renewing or applying for funded childcare hours for 1st April to 31st August is **31st March**. Please ensure that you have checked your eligibility code expiry date and renewed your code if the expiry date falls before 31st August.
- Booking is now underway for our **Easter Holiday Club**; log into your Scopay account to reserve a place. Places are available Monday to Friday with the exception of bank holidays. For last minute bookings at Badger's Rest breakfast, after-school and holiday clubs (within one week of any session), please contact Emma Hodkin directly on: **07455 378433**.



Y1/2 Recommended Reads

- Winnie Flies Again – Valerie Thomas & Korky Paul
- National Geographic Kids Level 1 – Laura Marsh

Calendar

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| Wed 12 th March | Y4 meeting re Hooke Court @ 3.15pm |
| Thurs 20 th March | Y1 trip to Marwell |
| Fri 21 st Mar | YR to Little Flames |
| Mon 24 th March | Y6 SATS information evening 6.15pm |
| Tues 25 th March | Piano performance assembly @ 2pm |
| Thurs 27 th Mar | Y3 trip to St Saviour's |
| Fri 28 th Mar - 9am | Choir, singing, drums and sax assembly |
| Tues 1 st April | Y4 Music and brass assembly @ 9am |
| Tues 1 st April | Guitar performance assembly @ 2.15pm |
| Thur 3 rd April | Y2 trip to Longdown Activity Farm |
| 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) |
| Thurs 22 nd May | Sports Day |
| 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

Spring is far more than just a changing of the seasons; it's a rebirth of the spirit – Toni Sorenson