



## NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 8

## \*WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL\* 21st January 2026

### Welcome:

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

Welcome back. I hope you all managed some restful family time over the festive period.


I am pleased to say that the children have settled back in well and staff changes have quickly become routine. We are very lucky to have caring staff who go the extra mile for the children.

There will be parents evening the week before half-term and we look forward to sharing the children's progress and talking over next steps with you. Booking via the school website will be announced shortly.

Best wishes

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Recommended Reads  
for Y5 & Y6:

**Land of the Last Wildcat**  
by Lui Sit

**The Boy with Big Decisions**  
by Helen Rutter:

### Reasons to Celebrate:

• Years 3/4 & 5/6 Football – this was held at Priestlands School. Y3/Y4 came 3<sup>rd</sup> in their tournament and Y5/Y6 came 4<sup>th</sup> showing tremendous teamwork and skills throughout.



• Christmas jumper day raised £61.65 for Save The Children.

### School Notices

- We now have our new supplier, Chartwells providing lunches from our school kitchen. The **new 3-weekly menu** has three daily options and can be found on our [website](#). The daily cost of school lunches from January 2026 is £2.75 per day. Hot lunches continue to be available on an ad hoc basis and do not require pre-ordering. Please log into your child's Scopay account to check that you have credit on your account before your child orders a lunch.
- We are proud to work closely with our active PTA, who are continuing to raise vital funds for school resources this year. There are a number of exciting events coming up over the next few months including a talent show, disco and the summer fete. More information to follow soon.
- If you have any **Astroturf** offcuts, please do consider donating them to Year R for improvements to their outside space.
- **Parking at drop off and pick up times:** Under the "Park and Stride" initiative, Brockenhurst Village Trust allow parents to park at the Village Hall in Highwood Road when dropping or collecting children from school during normal hours. There is currently 2 hours free car parking allowed. Please make use of this facility to relieve pressure on local roads at these busy times. Please be considerate of local residents and do not block driveways or park dangerously.
- If your child is absent from school, please call or email us by 9.30am every day they are not at school to provide a **reason for absence**. Please note that in line with NHS guidance, we have a 48-hour policy for return to school following the last episode of sickness or diarrhea.
- 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. 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

Thur 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Whole school – panto @ Village Hall
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parents evening (except Y1)
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Parents evening
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y1 Parents evening
16 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half-term holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup> -24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Y6 Bikeability
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term begins
15 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 residential to Hooke Court
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Class photographs
25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half-term holiday
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Priestlands Intake Day
20 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Inset Days
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul	Summer holiday begins

### Pause For Thought

January is a time of renewal, a time to embrace the new.