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NEWSLETTER: ISSUE 4 ***WE ARE ALLERGY AWARE*** **12th November 2026**

Welcome:

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

Welcome back. We hope you all managed a restful break. I am pleased to say the changes to Badger's Rest have gone smoothly over half-term and since.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTA for stepping in over our fans appeal and raising the funds to provide two fans in every classroom, giving both heat and a cool breeze. This will ensure a consistent, comfortable learning environment during the depths of winter and the next heatwave.

I also have pleasure in telling you that we successfully received £10,000 from the Fenwick Trust to provide air conditioning throughout the Nursery and Pre-School. Children under 4 find it difficult to regulate their temperature, so this will ensure some of our most vulnerable children are able to thrive in any weather.

Best wishes

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Reasons to Celebrate:

• Thank you to everyone who filled and returned a Rotary Christmas shoe box before the half-term holiday. 33 boxes were collected to be sent to Eastern Europe in time for Christmas.

• Thank you for all your donations on "Wear Green for Oakhaven" day. This fantastic charity really does make a difference to local families; your generosity is always much appreciated. We will let you know the grand total raised in due course.

• Following the success of the KS1 Lion's vision screening programme, all KS2 children who were given consent have also now taken part. We would like to thank the Lion's Club of New Milton for this opportunity.

• Years 3 & 4 have enjoyed a fabulous trip to the opera this week. Welsh National Opera staged a school's concert at The Mayflower Theatre to encourage a passion for music. Well known hits were blended with rarer pieces as an introduction to live orchestral music, with soloists also contributing.

• On 11th November Y6 attended the Remembrance Day service at the war memorial in Sway Road, laying a wreath to remember those we have lost in military conflicts. The children were reflective, respectful and represented the school thoughtfully.

School Notices

• In support of Anti-bullying & Friendship week, we will be participating in "**Odd Socks Day**" on Monday 16th November. Children come to school wearing odd socks to encourage them to be proud of their differences. No donation required.

• Several cases of **head lice** have been reported in school. Check your child's hair regularly and take the required action if necessary.

• If your child is **absent from school**, please leave a message on the absence line or email before 9.30am every day that your child is absent. Please note that if we do not hear from you, we are obliged to make a home visit for safeguarding purposes.

• There is a ***new Whatsapp phone number*** for last minute Badger's Rest bookings, this includes breakfast, after-school and holiday club bookings from November onwards: **Badger's Rest/Shining Lights: 07752 231977**. The previous number will no longer be in operation. Please continue to make advance bookings via your Scopay account.

• There will be an **early finish on the last day of term**, Friday 18th December. The children will have lunch at the usual time and the playground gate will be opened at 1.10pm for KS1 collection, with KS2 being dismissed at 1.15pm. After-school club will be available from 1.10pm at no extra cost i.e. £12.50 for the session. Please make your booking as soon as possible so we can ensure staff:child ratios are maintained; places are limited.

Starting school in September 2027

If your child is 4 years old, or will turn 4 before 1st September 2027, they can start school in September 2027. Applications are now open.

Applications close on **Friday 15th January 2027**.

www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

Calendar

Mon 16th Nov	Odd Socks Day: Anti-Bullying week
Fri 27th Nov	Mufti day £2 suggested donation please
Fri 27th Nov	PTA Christmas Winter Wonderland
Mon 30th Nov	Y2 trip to Sea City Museum
Mon 7th Dec, 9.30am	Piano assembly (Mr Thomas's pupils)
Tues 8th Dec, 9am	Guitar assembly
Tues 8th Dec, 2pm	KS1 Nativity @ St Saviour's
Wed 9th Dec, 9.30am	Piano assembly (Mrs Stewart's pupils)
Wed 9th Dec, 2pm	Pre-School & YR Nativity @ St Saviour's
Thurs 10th Dec, 9.30am	Y4 music & brass pupil assembly
Thur 10th Dec, 6pm	KS1 Nativity @ St Saviour's
Mon 14th Dec, 2pm	*KS2 Carols @ St Saviour's – date change*
Tues 15th Dec, 9am	KS1 Christingle @ St Saviour's
Wed 16th Dec	Christmas Crafts morning
Thurs 17th Dec	Xmas jumper day - suggested £2 donation
Thurs 17th Dec	Christmas Lunch
Fri 18th Dec	Early Finish 1.10pm
21st Dec-1st Jan	Christmas holiday
Thurs 21st Jan	Y5 trip to Winchester Science Museum
11th & 12th Feb	Y6 Bikeability
15th-19th Feb	Half-term holiday
Mon 22nd Feb	Inset Day
14th-16th April	Y4 Hooke Court residential
23rd June	Y6 Leaver's Service Winchester Cathedral

Pause For Thought

We will remember them – Laurence Binyon