



Headteacher Note

Dear parents and carers, welcome to our June newsletter. We are now half way through the summer term, but there will be many events taking place at the school in the next few weeks. Last half term was very busy as usual and many of the pupils had tests to complete, which they carried out in a very mature and sensible manner.

Many of our pupils also represented the school at a wide range of sporting events, including the athletics at Woodbank Park, where we had several winners in individual events.

However, the event that impressed me the most was our charity concert for JDFS which supports children with type 1 diabetes. The pupils from the school council clearly explained what type 1 diabetes is and how JDFS helps to support those children who suffer from it. Then the pupils, who performed a range of singing, dancing and musical numbers, did the school and themselves proud with some fantastic performances. The event was well attended and we are hoping that it will become a regular feature of our calendar. Thank you to all of you who came along.

Simon Langley
Headteacher.

Dates for your Diary

A full list of dates for the rest of term are on the reverse of this newsletter.

Absence in Term Time

You may have seen that the High Court recently reversed a decision by a local authority to fine a parent for taking their child out of school during term time, as the child had what is termed as "regular" attendance. Guidance from the DfE over this "regular" attendance figure is confusing. Regular attendance seems to be defined as at least 90%, but at the same time the DfE's definition of truancy is a persistent absence of 10% of school days. If you add to this Ofsted's expectation of satisfactory attendance for a school, which is set at 95% overall, there is a clear area of discrepancy. Our overall attendance figure has to be at 95% or above to meet the requirements of Ofsted, and any figure below this will be seen as unsatisfactory. What is clear is that significant absence from school will have a detrimental effect on the learning of any child, particularly if children are taken out of school during September and October, when they are settling into a new class. I appreciate that there are financial incentives for parents to take their children out of school during term time, but I would ask parents not to do this. My understanding is that, temporarily, fines have been suspended, but only whilst the government quickly acts to close this loop hole in the law. My advice would be to take children away during the second week of the Whitsun holidays, when most LA's are back in school and holiday prices are lower.

Link Social Worker

We now have a social worker linked to our school. Come in for coffee and meet him to find out about his work and see if he can support you in anyway on Thursday 30th of June from 9:00 until 10:00am, in the after school club.

Drugs Awareness Drop In

On the afternoon of 16/06/16, we will be holding a drop-in session for parents and carers to speak to Tanya Cross about any issues that they may have concerning drugs and relationships education that takes place in school. Tanya is a very experienced Local Authority lead in these areas and she has lead many sessions for us on this in the past. If you have any questions that you would like to ask her please come along between 2pm and 3pm.

Uniform and Earrings

Please could I remind parents that children are not permitted to wear earrings of any type at school. This decision was made by the Governing Body of the school in 2013 and is still in place. If parents wish to have their child's ears pierced, please could this be done at the start of the summer holidays so that the pupils can take their earrings out for school days in September. I would also like to remind parents that school shoes should be black without any stripes or markings on them. Thank you for your co-operation in this.

Computing Evening

On July 11th at 6pm, we will be holding an information evening for parents and carers about our website, school app and twitter feed. The aim is to get more of you connected to the school via the internet so that you can receive immediate information and updates about what is going on at school. We hope that you will be able to attend and get online with us.

Broadstone Hall Primary School Dates List Summer Term 2016

Date	Event	Time	Location	Year Group
13/06/16	School Opens	8:55am	Breakfast Club	8:00am
13/06/16	Y1 Phonics Test Week	Across the Week	School	Y1
15/06/16	Class Photographs	All Day	School	All Year Groups
16/06/16	Drugs and Relationships	2:00-3:00pm	Hall	Parents
17/06/16	Parents' Assembly Y2 LJ	9:15-9:45am	Hall	Y2 LJ
17/06/16	KS1 Disco	6:00-7:00pm	Hall	Y1 and Y2
20/06/16	New Reception Parents'	7:00pm	Hall	Reception Parents
24/06/16	Parents' Assembly YR I F	9:15-9:45am	Hall	YR I F
24/06/16	KS2 Disco	6:00-7:00pm	Hall	Y3-Y6
27/06/16	Robin Wood Parents' Meeting	6:00-7:00pm	Hall	Y6 parents
29/06/16	FOB meeting	7:00-8:00pm	Super Heroes'	Parents and carers
30/06/16	Link Social Worker Drop In	9:00-10:00am	After School Club	Parents and carers
01/07/16	Parents' Assembly Y2 LH	9:15-9:45am	Hall	Y2 LH
04/07/16	KS2 Sports Day	9:30am-12:00pm	School Field	Y3-Y6
07/07/16	Priestnall Induction Day	All Day	Priestnall	Y6
07&08/07/1	Reddish Vale Induction Days	All Day	Reddish Vale	Y6
08/07/16	INSET Day	School closed		
11-13/07/16	Robin Wood	3 Days	Lancashire	Y6
11/07/16	YR/KS1 Sports Day	9:30am-12:00pm	School Field	YR-Y2
11/07/16	Website/app/twitter evening	6:00-7:00pm	Hall	Parents and carers
15/07/16	Parents' Assembly YR AM	9:15-9:45am	Hall	YR AM
15/07/16	Fun Afternoon	1:30-3:00pm	Playground	YN-Y6
18/07/16	Summer Concert	6:30-7:45pm	Hall	Various Groups
19/07/16	Class lists for 2016/17 home			YN-Y5
20/07/16	Nursery 2 Sports Day	Apples am	Muga pitch	Nursery
20/07/16	Drama Production Evening	6:30-7:30pm	Hall	Y3-Y6
21/07/16	End of Year Reports Home	3:20pm		YN-Y6
21/07/16	Y6 Prom Night	7:00-9:00pm	Hall	Y6
25/07/16	Summer Party	7:00-10:00pm	Front of School	Families
28/07/16	Leaver's Assembly	2:30pm	Hall	Y6 Families
28/07/16	School Closes	3:20pm		