



# Broadstone Hall Primary School

## Newsletter

November 2017

### Headteacher's Note

Welcome to the November Newsletter.

Representatives from the Traffic Department of Stockport Council came to visit us this week with new proposals to improve 'traffic calming' around the school. This was after a near miss incident was reported to them recently. They have proposed that they add;

- Access protection markings on the crossing at the front of school
- Yellow flashing lights for an advisory 20mph limit during drop off and pick up times
- Large pencil bollards at either side of the main crossing point
- Re advertise for a crossing patrol attendant.

These changes will be implemented during February half term and hopefully they will further improve traffic in the vicinity. In the meantime, I urge everybody to be caring, respectful and co-operative road users outside the school grounds.

### Dates for your Diary:

There is a full list of Christmas dates on the reverse of this sheet and on the school website.

### Staff Changes

This month we will be saying goodbye and good luck to Mrs. Orndall, who is starting her maternity leave next week. Mrs. Posner will be moving to teach Y5CO from 27/11/17 and Mrs. Marron will be teaching her Y6 class full time from that date.

We will also be saying goodbye to Mrs. Noble who is moving to Reddish Vale Nursery in January. We thank her for her huge contribution to Broadstone life and wish her all the best in her new job. Mrs. Fewtrell will be teaching Mrs. Torkington's class until the end of term, whilst she is recovering from illness.

### Safety Audits

You will be glad to know that we have passed our Health & Safety and Fire audits during the last month. We have been given a few small recommendations which we will be carrying out in the next few weeks.

### Parents Evenings

Thank you to all the parents who came to the recent parents evenings. We hope that you found them useful and that you were able to take away the end of year targets for your child's year group. There will be a second parents evening in the spring term.

### Winter Weather

Please could you ensure that your children have coats with their names in for playtimes and lunchtimes as it is important they get fresh air during the winter months.

### Reception Places 2018-19

Don't forget that you must apply for a reception school place by 15/01/18 for next year, if your child is in our nursery.

### Christmas Concerts and Fire Regulations

We have been informed that our seated audience limit for public performances in the Hall is 200 people, **plus** performers. As all phases of the school are now so large, it is impossible for us to accommodate all parents and family members that want to come to a performance. EYFS contains 121 pupils, KS1, 150 pupils and KS2, 270 pupils. At recent KS1 evening performances, the Hall has been so overcrowded that the situation has not been safe.

As your children's safety is our top priority and fire regulations have to be followed by law, we have no choice but to radically change the format of our Christmas performances and **future performances and assemblies.**

Therefore, **the KS1 performances will both take place during the afternoons.** On Wednesday 13/12/17, the performance at 2pm will be for Year 1 Parents only and on Thursday 14/12/17 at 2pm the performance will be for Year 2 parents only.

KS2 performances will include pupils who are in the dance and music clubs as well as those who play recorder or are in the school choir. There will be a ticket only performance at 6:30pm on Monday 11/12/17 and an afternoon performance at 2pm on Tuesday 12/12/17.

Early years performances will follow the usual format of a "Pears and Reception" and "Apples and Reception" performance on the 8/12/17 and 11/12/17 respectively. **This information was originally included on the October Newsletter so that parents had time to book off these dates well in advance .**