



Broadstone Hall Primary School

Newsletter

January 2019

Headteacher's Note

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome to our first Newsletter of 2019. Once again it has been a busy month as our children continue to perform very well at Stockport Sports events.

We are now the Stockport 6-a-side Football Champions and will be representing Stockport in the Regional Finals.

We have two basketball teams competing at the Stockport Basketball Finals so we stand a good chance of sending a team to the Greater Manchester Games in March.

Many year groups have had the opportunity to send football teams to the Manchester City Training Academy to take part in tournaments including Y6, Y5 Y4 and a Y6 girls team. We also have teams going out to represent the school at tri-golf and boccia in the near future.

This is what I feel Broadstone Hall really excels at, giving pupils the opportunity to compete, perform and achieve at a local and regional level outside the normal school environment.

Please continue to follow us on Twitter, the school website and the School Spider app for the latest updates of what is going on.
Simon Langley,
Headteacher

P.E Kits in School

Thank you to all of the parents who make sure that their children have the correct kit in school each week for games, gym, dance, swimming as well as the numerous clubs that we run which require specialist clothing.

However, we are noticing that more and more pupils are either forgetting, losing or simply do not have the correct kit when required for these lessons.

It is your child's entitlement to have quality lessons in these areas but if they do not have the kit, they are missing out on this entitlement.

I fully appreciate that children and parents may occasionally forget about kit or lose it within school, but some pupils are regularly missing sessions because of this for weeks at a time.

We try hard to ensure that named items of kit are returned to pupils but increasingly, we are noticing that items are not named, which makes it very hard to return them to the correct owner.

With 540 pupils in school, it becomes a very hard job to return lost items, so we are asking pupils to take responsibility for looking after their own kits.

I would also like to remind parents at this time that earrings (along with other items of jewelry) are not permitted in school, mainly because of the health and safety risk that they pose during P.E. lessons. Children with long hair also need to have this tied back so it doesn't restrict their vision or get caught in any equipment. Thank you for your co-operation with these issues.

Parking at School

Parking at school continues to be an issue and every week some of you raise your concerns over this with me. We have worked closely with the Council to make the area around school safer at the start and end of the day and the Council's Road Safety Team have been working with the children to make sure that they are safe and aware of dangers around traffic. Therefore, I am respectfully asking you to be caring, respectful and co-operative parkers near school.

Please could I also remind parents that the school car park is for **staff only**.

Social Media Issues

If you have a concern or complaint about the school, please come and speak to us first, before turning to social media to make your complaint public.

Doing so can cause unnecessary worry, concern and misunderstanding within our school community, particularly if the comment or complaint is based on hearsay, rather than fact.

Our Social Media Policy, which has been adopted by all of our cluster schools, is available on the website for you to read as a guide.

The BBC also has some useful resources for children on its website at <https://www.bbc.com/ownit>. I would recommend that all parents spend some time looking at them.

School Uniform

Can I remind parents to please ensure that all children's uniform is named, then we can easily return it to the correct child.