

Brockhampton Primary School Newsletter 2

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It has been lovely to see the children return after the first half term and watch them as they start to embed their learning, adopt new practices and begin what has already been and will continue to be a very busy 2nd part to the Autumn term.

Thank you to those who for attended the Harvest Festival last week. It was good to see so many of you enjoying the children's performances-the weather certainly helped! Plans are now in place for a *Christmas* Carol concert, again to be held in the school grounds, on 18th December (here's hoping the weather gods are on our side). Please save the date and come along for some mulled wine, a mince pie or two and of course, some high end entertainment from our children in Y2 through to Y6.



Football Fantastic

Well done to our Y3 and Y4 boys who represented the school this week at Ludlow Football ground. A total of 11 games were played and 8 of those were wins! Including Thomas, in Y3 who scored a Hat trick!!! This is just the latest in a series of great sporting events that we have and will continue to run. Thank you as always to the parents that attend and help with carpooling – it makes such a difference.

House Points

This year, as a school, we will be introducing house points. These can be earnt by all of our children, when they display one of our shared values, which are:

- Promote physical and mental wellbeing
- Grow your independence
- Contribute to communities

Each child has been assigned a house **Bringsty**, **Linton** or **Norton**. Throughout the week, children can earn house points and their success will be celebrated in assembly at the end of each week.

Urgent! After School Clubs

Due to staff training, there will be **no after school care** club on Monday 20th **November & Choir Club** will take place at lunchtime

Apologies for the unavoidable inconvenience and late notice.

Forthcoming Dates

Pilates every Wednesday Evening @ the school 6.00-7.00pm https://www.pilateswithclarepalmer.com/ Fitness training every Tuesday @ the school 6.00-7.00pm

Scouts every Monday and Tuesday @ the school see https://scoutsbromyard.com/ for further details

21st Nov Y5 visit to Kings School, Worcester – Food Hygiene course

24th Nov Non uniform day for Rainbow Raffle prizes

28th Nov, 9.00am Reception Stay and Play Phonics

1st Dec PTA Christmas Disco and pre loved Christmas Jumper Sale

6th Dec Reception/School Open Morning - Christmas Crafts in the Woods

8th Dec Y5/6 Imperial War Museum, London visit

11th Dec Flu Vaccine (Reception – Y6) 12th Dec, 1.30pm Reception/Y1 Nativity

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15th Dec St Michael's Hospice Rudolph Run 18th Dec, 4.30pm **KS2 Christmas Carol Concert** 19th Dec Y2 Longlands Farm Visit

20th Dec Christmas Downs Walk - All welcome

21st Dec Last day of term

13th Dec, 1.30pm

9th Jan First day of Spring Term 11th Jan Young Voices (Choir Club only)

Attendance

As you know, regular attendance is the single most effective way of ensuring your child achieves their potential. We are well into the Autumn term now, the longest period of learning in the school year – please do all you can to continue to make sure your child is here, on time if they are well enough to do the day. If attendance falls below 90%, you will receive a letter informing you that this is the case. This is just to flag up current attendance (as it can be quite easy to lose track) and to make sure you are aware that it is falling below the minimum expected level. If there are circumstances making regular attendance and punctuality more challenging, please do not hesitate to contact school at: head@brockhampton.hereford.sch.uk

Reading for Pleasure

Thank you for all your contributions to the Book Swap at the front of the school where there is a wide range of books just waiting to be taken home and enjoyed. Despite the word "swap" in the title, there is no need to bring a book in order to take one! So please, have a look in there, encourage your children to do so, find a book and keep "striving" to read at least 5 times a week – there is simply no better way to develop reading fluency, understanding, vocabulary and the confidence to access all areas of the curriculum.



Remembrance

Last week you all donated generously to the annual poppy appeal and on Friday 10th Nov, the school came together as a whole to learn about and remember those who lost their lives in wars across the globe. Our thanks go to Max and his Grandmother, who researched names of the fallen that came to our small school. We will remember them





Sahara Success



In October, Miss Clarke completed her trek across the Sahara Desert. The team of 11 managed to raise over £32,000 for St Michael's Hospice. She has shared some photos and memories of her trip in an assembly.

We know that this charity is very special to many people, so if you would like to make a donation, please visit

her JustGiving page. www.justgiving.com/fundraising/s-clarke-przyszlak1? Or scan the QR code



Christmas Carols around the fire

Join Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 children for singing, reading and poems, in our Forest School setting

Raffle, drinks and more... details to follow

starts at 4:30pm, Monday 18th Dec

Please bring a torch and sensible footwear