



MARCH 2018

# Headteacher's Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Loving School Vision Event.

This **Thursday morning 15th March** I would like to invite you to join me in school to learn more about our "Loving School" work and how you may be able to use the ideas at home and to support our teaching at school. I also want to take the opportunity to ask you about your ideas for our school in 3 and 5 years' time. This will be a fairly short and interesting meeting and I would be delighted to have your support. I promise that we will start at 8.40am and be finished by 9.40am. I will promise you coffee, tea and pastries in exchange for your help, support and ideas. I would be grateful for a really healthy turn out for this event as it will help us shape the future direction of our school. PLEASE come along if you possibly can, even if you can only stay for half an hour. Please let the school office know if you can attend so we can plan accordingly. Thankyou!



## School Run Car Share

As you may be aware, Southampton is one of the most polluted cities in the UK when it comes to emissions from vehicles. We have a problem with the number of cars around school at pick up and drop off times and we recorded our particulate count outside school last year. The results were not great and we vowed to take action. We have been made aware of an interesting eco initiative called school run car share. Further details can be found by visiting the web site: [www.schoolruncarshare.co.uk](http://www.schoolruncarshare.co.uk). The idea is that parents arrange informal car shares for pick up and drop off. This means that we can reduce the number of vehicles polluting the area around school and means we have a safer road and car parks for children. If this is something you would be interested in, please check out the web site and register your interest. Please be aware that this initiative is organised by a third party and as a result it is still parents' responsibility to ensure that the travel to school for your child is safe and that you are happy for your child to be transported by another parent. The arrangement would remain a private one between parents and school does not accept any liability attached to this initiative. We are simply letting you know that this option is available. If you do get involved, our eco council would be excited to hear from you.

## Late After School

We are continually getting children left late after the end of the school day.

After School Club allows you the facility to book a 20 minute slot at the cost of £2.50. With immediate effect any child that is not collected by 3:30pm will be taken to after school club and the parents will be charged. If the child is not collected by 3:40pm parents will be charged the full cost of the After School Club session.



## Online Payments –Surcharge

You may be aware that the payment surcharge regulations changed recently, this means that there is no longer a 32pence transaction charge when paying online. You can pay online for Breakfast/After School Club, trips, music and dinners. We have previously sent out letters with online activation codes, if you would like a copy of this please let the office know.



## Lost Property

We have a huge amount of lost property in both lost property bins (front foyer and KS1).

Please can you come and have a rummage and see if we can find some of these items a home.

## Penalty Notice

Please see the leaflet *Information on Penalty Notices* for non attendance at school, the guidance is available on Hampshire County Council's website. We are now fully implementing this process. Please note any money received from fines does not go to the school, but directly to HCC.



## Picking up and Dropping Off

I am sorry to nag but it has been brought to my attention again that there are still issues with the parking when dropping off and picking up from Breakfast and After School Club. Therefore we are going to have to ask that you no longer use the school staff car park to drop pupils off for Breakfast club and to pick up from After School Club. Please could you park elsewhere and walk with your children safely up to the club. The staff car park is too busy already so additional cars mean additional danger. Also many parents are leaving their cars running when bringing pupils into school. This has been noted in the church and staff car parks. Please switch off your engine when leaving your car. Leaving your car idling creates a great deal of pollution and can be very dangerous. We are currently looking at alternative and safer ways to enter and leave our Breakfast and After School Club. Thank you for your understanding.



## Texting service update

You may have noticed recently that the text messages you receive from school now come from a telephone number rather than 'Bransgore'. You may have also noticed a link at the top of each text. This is due to an update from the text messaging service we use. To increase security and to ensure you know that the text messages we send are coming from us, the provider has added a verification link to the texts which you can click on and confirm that the message has indeed come from us here at the school.



## VIP Jumpers

Please can you ensure all VIP jumpers are returned, washed the following Monday after your child has been VIP. We are low on some sizes. Thank You



## Office Poster Competition

Thank you to everyone who entered the office poster competition. Our wonderful winners are displayed in the School Office.

## Earth Hour

Our school will be promoting the WWF "Earth Hour" which takes place from 8.30-9.30 pm on Saturday 24th March. We would be delighted if our pupils and families could get involved. You can do any hour you want if the real Earth Hour is a bit late in terms of bed time for our younger pupils! More exciting information about Earth Hour can be found here: <https://www.wwf.org.uk/earthhour>. Your family can make a promise to the planet. If you get involved please Tweet us a photo or e mail to tell us what you did. Thanks



## Important Upcoming Dates for your Diary

14th March—Yr5/6 Author Visit

14th March 3:30pm—Year 5 Osmington Information Meeting

14th March 7pm —BSA Clubbercise

15th March 8:40am—9:40am—Loving School Vision Event

16th March—Year 4 Swimming Mrs Craddocks Group

21st March 3:40pm—6:30pm— Parent Consultation Evening

22nd March 3:40pm—6:30pm— Parent Consultation Evening

23rd March 3:30pm —BSA Easter Egg Hunt and Mufti Day (Info to follow)

26th March—10:00am - Music Concert (Parents of musicians welcome)

26th March—2:30pm Headteacher's Coffee and Chat

26th March—29th March—Bikeability week for Year 6

28th March—1:10pm—Rights Respecting School Update Session Year 3/4

28th March— 1:30pm—Year 3 and 4 Fashion Show followed by Exit Point

29th March—2:10pm—Rights Respecting School Update Session All other Years

29th March—2:30pm - Exit Point for Year R, 1, 2, 5 & 6

29th March—Last day of Spring Term Children finish normal time for Easter Holidays

