



# Broadlea Primary News

Achieve, Believe, Celebrate

October 2017

Newport Road, Lake, Sandown, Isle of Wight P036 9PE Tel: 402403

[www.broadleapprimary.co.uk](http://www.broadleapprimary.co.uk)

Dear Parents and Carers,

## School Communication and Newsletter Update

The purpose of this short newsletter is to remind parents – old and new – that we no longer use newsletters as a primary means of communication. Instead, please find information and good news from the following sources:

### Facebook

We currently have 320 Followers from the Island, all over the UK and even all over the world! Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, uncles, aunties, family and friends who have started to follow us and for all your lovely comments – we are delighted that you are enjoying seeing the super things going on in school. We love sharing our learning with you as it happens! This is where we will continue to share good news and showcase the events happening in school.

When we launched our Facebook, we said that it would be a 'Like' only page. Any comments that you make are hidden and can only be viewed by you and your Facebook friends. However, we have now started to reveal some of your comments where they relate to a group of pupils, the whole school or are to thank members of staff. Where comments just relate to your child we like to keep them private to you. Thank you for your lovely messages!

### OurSchoolsApp

We use OurSchoolsApp alongside the school text service to notify you of events and news – both school events and Island activities and news which may be of interest - and pass on general school messages. Please download it to your phone so that you do not miss any important messages.

### Headteacher letters

I will continue to update you with Headteacher letters, each half term or more often if needed. General letters are mailed to those on the mailing list and put in book bags for those requesting a paper copy of correspondence. Urgent letters will be given to each child when we need to ensure you have important information quickly – please check your child's bag every day.



## **Friends of Broadlea**

The Friends have their own Facebook page and a display board next to the main red gate. please check both to keep up to date with upcoming fundraising and school events – your support is always warmly welcomed!

### **Face-to-Face!**

Finally, sometimes a couple of minutes face-to-face can give you an answer to a question or a bit of extra information. Your child's class teacher is available at the end of the school day for brief conversations or to make an appointment for a longer chat. Mornings are a busy time for us and teachers like to be ready to welcome all the children into the classroom – at these times, Mrs Bloomfield is on the Year 3/4 door, Mrs Chambers, myself or a member of the office team are on the front gate and Ms Graham can be found at either the Newport Road pedestrian entrance or the Berry Hill/Manor Road entrance. We are all happy to give you our time or pass on any messages to the class teacher.

We welcome any suggestions you may have to improve communication further and thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,

Sharon Freeley  
Headteacher

