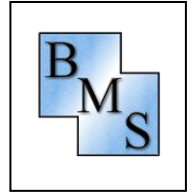




# BROADSTONE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



SEPTEMBER 2016

Dear all

Welcome back, I hope you all had a good summer break. We have some exciting things happening in school this year. Our University of Broadstone curriculum has got off to a good start, with pupils studying areas such as Forensic Science, Life Saving, Digital Media and Table Tennis to name but a few. Pupils are in groups of all ages and abilities and I am not sure who is enjoying it most—the pupils or the teachers!

We have our Open Day on Thursday 13th October, 6pm-8pm, for all prospective parents. There will be various displays around the school showcasing our pupils skills and achievements.

.....and finally, we will be holding a firework display with the First School on Saturday 29th October, more details to follow later.

Dawn Wilks  
Headteacher

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Parents have been asking about how to keep their children safe online. In school we work regularly with the children on this subject but we do realise that it can be exceptionally challenging for parents.

There are some fantastic websites available to support parents in this area and we have listed below the ones that have been recommended to us:

[www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk) (search internet safety)

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

<http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-and-resources/parents-and-carers>

We hope these will be of some help to you. If you need anything further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Jane Tomlinson, Education and Welfare Lead



## Important Contacts

- Designated Safeguard Lead – Mrs D Harris
- Deputy Safeguarding Lead - Mrs J Tomlinson
- E Safety lead – Mr J Rose
- Anti-Bullying Lead – Mrs J Tomlinson
- Welfare Lead – Mrs J Tomlinson

We are pleased to be able to tell you that our new website is up and running! The website is available at the same addresses as before -

[www.broadstonemiddle.poole.sch.uk](http://www.broadstonemiddle.poole.sch.uk) or  
[www.bmsweb.co.uk](http://www.bmsweb.co.uk).

We would welcome your feedback/ suggestions.



## ROAD SAFETY

We have received reports that some of our pupils are behaving dangerously along Dunyeats Road in the morning and after school. There are often large groups of children walking along together which often results in some of them walking on the edge of the curb. This is extremely dangerous as Dunyeats Road is very busy at these times. Pupils are also walking across side roads without stopping or looking. Could we ask all parents to remind their child about road safety, especially when pavements are crowded. They should always stop, look and listen and never cross a road assuming they have right of way. If possible, they should always cross with the Lollipop Lady or on the pelican crossing by the First School.



Do you have any unwanted DVDs (PG or below) or board games that could be used for wet play? If so we would be grateful for any donations. Please ask your child to bring them to the school office. Thank you.



We are currently making papier-mâché sculptures in our University of Broadstone sessions and would ask that if you have any newspapers and cardboard boxes (cereal box size or bigger) that you could donate please bring them into the school office.

Thank you

Miss Bone

### Appointments During the School Day

If you are taking your child out during the school day for an appointment, please can you ensure that you collect your child in person from reception.

Wherever possible written notification should be sent in to the school office prior to the day of the appointment.

Thank you

### Attendance

We expect every child to maintain a minimum attendance figure of 96% across the academic year.

The current attendance figures for each year are:

Year 5—98.67%      Year 6—98.37%      Year 7—97.75%      Year 8—97.51%

The school average attendance figure is 98.10% and the best attendance record in the school is now held by 8W at 99.62% - congratulations to them!

### Changes to Office Opening Hours

With effect from 1st September 2016 the office will be open as follows:

Monday to Thursday: 8.00am to 4.30pm

Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm

Outside of these times there may not be a member of staff available to answer the door buzzer.

### DRAMA CLUB:

Drama Club runs on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 3.05pm to 3.55pm in the school hall. For more information or to book a place for your child, please contact Miss Deb Tandler, stating your child's name, class and preferred day—email: [debz.dramastation@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:debz.dramastation@hotmail.co.uk)

## U12 GIRLS COUNTY FOOTBALL TEAM

The Dorset U12 Advanced Coaching Centre team has 15 players each year, selected from two rounds of trials from players across the county. This year BMS has three girls who have been selected; Abbi (Year 7) has kept her place in the team from last season and has been joined by Abbie and Leah (both in Year 6).

The girls had their first tournament of the season last week against Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Gloucester and Wiltshire.

The girls started the day with matches against Wiltshire and Gloucester, both of which ended in 0-0 draws. In the third match they played against Devon but narrowly lost 1-0. They then faced Cornwall in the next match and came out much stronger with a 3-0 win before ending the day with a 0-0 draw against Somerset.

These were the first games for this season and with many new players joining the team to only concede one goal is a massive positive for the girls to build upon.

Well done girls.

Congratulations to Abigail (Year 6) and Daisy (Year 5), who competed in the British & Welsh Outdoor Dry Ski Slope Championships in Pontypool recently. Abigail achieved 3rd in the Welsh Championships and 4th in the British Championships. Daisy achieved 2nd in both the Welsh and the British Championships.

The girls were in action again this weekend in the Snow Sports Championship in Southampton. Daisy came 1st in the U10's maintaining her 1st position in the Championship with one race to go. Abigail came 2nd in the U12's which now puts her 3rd in the Championships with one race to go. Congratulations girls.



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| Autumn Term       | Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2016<br>Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September – INSET<br>Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September – INSET   |
|                   | HALF TERM – Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2016   |
| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY | Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 – Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2017  |
| Spring Term       | Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2017 – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2017<br>Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February – INSET   |
|                   | HALF TERM – Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2017  |
| EASTER HOLIDAY    | Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> April to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2017  |
| Summer Term       | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017<br>Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May – Bank Holiday<br>Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017 – INSET<br>Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017 – INSET |
|                   | HALF TERM – Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2017   |

### Extra Curricular Clubs, Autumn Term 2016:

| Day       | Club                                 | Year Group       | Teacher/Coach                           |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Monday    | Creative Movement (Dance/Gymnastics) | Years 5 & 6      | Planet Education ( <b>fee payable</b> ) |
|           | Rugby Club                           | Years 7 & 8 boys | Mr Dawson & Mr McCalister               |
| Tuesday   | Girls Football                       | Years 5 & 6      | Planet Education ( <b>fee payable</b> ) |
|           | Netball Club                         | Years 7 & 8      | Miss Marsh                              |
| Wednesday | Boys Football                        | Year 5           | Planet Education ( <b>fee payable</b> ) |
|           | Boys Football                        | Year 6           | Mr McCalister                           |
|           | Basketball                           | All Years        | Mr Dawson                               |
|           | Netball Club                         | Years 5 & 6      | Miss Marsh & Miss Williamson            |
| Thursday  | No Clubs                             |                  |   |
| Friday    | Running Club                         | All Years        | Mr Dawson & Mr McCalister               |