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Dear Parents and Carers,



AIMING HIGH

Congratulations to Fir for achieving the best attendance this week with 100% well done and keep it up.

	RED	AMBER	GREEN
PIPS			98.6%
ACORNS			96.3%
CHERRY			98.0%
BEECH			99.3%
MAPLE			99.7%
WILLOW			99.3%
ROWAN			98.3%
FIR			100%
OAK			96.6%

Headteacher's Awards



Pips

Alex for participating in small group and whole class discussions.



Acorns

Willow Mc does amazing maths work! She was able to explain the story behind the equation.



Cherry

Marley for trying hard with his handwriting and adding finger spaces to his sentences.



Beech

Rene for his systematic approach to solving word problems in Maths.



Maple

Sammie for developing a can do attitude in maths.



Willow

Danny for working hard to create descriptive sentences for his dragon. Well done!



Fir

Rosie for a great effort in maths comparing and ordering decimals. She reasoned her answers really well.



Rowan

Gloria for having an amazing work ethic; no matter the subject/sport she commits 100%.



Oak

Keira for always working hard and taking her time to ensure she has completed her work to the best of her ability.

Attendance & Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality is very important to Brockwood as it plays a vital part in a child's learning and helps them to achieve higher. This term we will once again be focusing strongly on this. Any child arriving for school after 8.45am will be marked as late and any child arriving after 9.00am will be marked with an unauthorised absence. Only very exceptional circumstances may be considered. The registers are checked regularly by the Attendance Improvement Officer who will monitor and if necessary contact the parents/carers of any child that is late or absent without permission on numerous occasions.

Please also remember that no holidays during term time are to be taken and please avoid where possible making any medical appointments during school hours. Any requests for absence must be made through myself. Holidays taken during term time can put both parents at risk of being fined.

Please can we also remind you that the school gate closes at 8.45am so all children need to be in their classrooms and parents off of the playground by this

time. Your child remains your responsibility until they are safely inside the classroom. Any child arriving after 8.45am will need to be brought in through the main entrance and a responsible adult must sign them in on the entry system with an acceptable reason for their lateness given. If a child arrives late and is not signed in appropriately it may result in them receiving an unauthorised mark.

Headteachers Surgery

The Headteacher's Surgery offers parents and carers an opportunity to meet with Mrs Voigt on a one-to-one basis to discuss your child's education and experience of school. Whatever the reason, a surgery slot will give you time to talk effectively about issues that are important to you.

As a school, we want to continue to work closely with parents and carers to create a well ordered, disciplined, caring environment where all our children are happy, secure and reach their full potential.

Headteacher's surgeries will take place every other Tuesday. Parents and carers can attend at any time between 8.45am and 10.30am, however, an appointment must be confirmed in advance. If you would like to arrange a meeting, please contact the school office on 01442 404000.

Online Safety

It has been brought to our attention that there is an inappropriate challenge circulating on the internet called the 'Momo Challenge.' Although it has been suggested that this could well be a hoax, it is an important reminder to ensure that you are watching over your children whilst they are online. It is possible that the scary image displayed to cause compliance when the challenge is initiated, which is in fact part of a Japanese sculpture, may be embedded within videos online, including, reportedly, YouTube Kids. It is likely that this would appear within (for example) Minecraft tutorials where videos have been copied, edited and reposted. It encourages children to take part in inappropriate challenges through a suggestion that the viewer will come to harm if they do not follow certain instructions, including self-harm. Regardless of the truth behind this particular threat, edited and seemingly 'harmless' videos can be highly inappropriate and emotionally damaging.

Please speak to your children about the importance of having adult supervision when they are using the internet and do try to ensure that they are not alone when they are online. Adopting an open-door policy and not using the internet in their bedrooms is important. Encourage your

child to talk to you or another adult they trust if they see anything inappropriate pop up on their screens and not open associated hyperlinks.

Please can we remind you to check your settings, age limits and restrictions on apps and games. Please be aware that YouTube has a 13+ age restriction on signing up, yet that doesn't stop children from accessing videos directly from a browser. Please also be aware that many upper KS2 children report that they have access to WhatsApp, which is for 16+ only.

World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 7th March, children are welcome to come to school dressed as a book character. The staff have chosen the theme of Harry Potter therefore children are welcome to join in on this.



Dates for your Diary

March

Monday 4th	INSET DAY
Monday 4 th	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 6 th	Cherry Class Trip to Kidzania
Wednesday 6 th	Beech Class Trip to Imperial War Museum
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day
Friday 8 th	Maple Class Assembly
Friday 15 th	Beech Class Assembly
Friday 15 th	Red Nose Day - Wear something red £1.00
Friday 22 nd	Cherry Class Assembly
Tuesday 26 th	EYFS Production - Dress Rehearsal Siblings Welcome @ 9.30am
Wednesday 27 th	EYFS Production - Adults Only @ 9.30am
Thursday 28 th	EYFS Production - Adults Only @ 9.30am

April

Monday 1 st	Maple Class Trip to Celtic Harmony
Wednesday 3 rd	Awards Assemblies
Thursday 4 th	Spring Music Assembly/Concert
Friday 5 th	Last Day of Term

Yours Sincerely

Mrs G Voigt
Headteacher

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