

# May Newsletter

1st May 2019

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<u>Dates for your diary:</u>
Wednesday May 1st Year
Four Viking Workshops all
day

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May PFA meeting 9am in the staff room on

Thursday 9th May "Gases All Around" event all day

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May SATS week Year 6

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May Meeting for parents RSE from 3.40pm ( see letter 4<sup>th</sup> May)

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May Class Photographs

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue in Year 6

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 to Cineworld & Year 4 and 5 Vashti Hardy Visit

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May School closes for half term and reopens on TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June

## Welcome back everyone

I hope you had a super break and are looking forward to a wonderful summer term ahead. Whilst this is a shorter half term, it is a busy one with lots of learning challenges ahead.

This week year four will be exploring the Vikings through workshops by "History Van". Year three will be preparing for their next adventure including a trip to Chatsworth later in the term, year four and five have a visit from Vashti Hardy and Year six have a trip to Cineworld following their statutory assessment week beginning 13th May.

Please look out for a letter explaining the new look 'Curriculum News' that we will pilot this term. This is expected to be sent home by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. If you have any questions following the letter, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

A leaflet published by the Department for Education (attached for Y6) will explain the year **six statutory assessments** in more detail. Teachers here have prepared the children so they know what to expect. Please would you ensure they have plenty of rest and a good breakfast as usual.

The **PFA** will meet on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 9am in the staff room. This is to continue preparations for the Summer Fair. Please do come and join if you are free. New members at any time are always much appreciated.

Ms Smith has been appointed Headteacher of Brockwell Infant and Nursery School. We send our warmest congratulations and will continue to work closely with our Infant partners. The admissions team have informed parents about places for September 2019. If you have any questions about this, do get in touch.

Best wishes, Catherine Holmes

#### **ACTIVE PHOTO Competition**

Young Leaders would like to remind all children at Brockwell Junior School that they are invited to take part in a School Active Photo Competition.

Children are invited to send in a photograph they are proud of. There are two categories. The first is 'Keeping Active' (sport, walks, cycling...) and the other is a photograph showing a personal challenge attempt.

The prizes for the first place pictures submitted to school will be action, waterproof cameras.

To share your photographs with the rest of the school and enter the competition with a chance to win such an amazing prize, please submit your creative photographs, via email (jol@brockwell-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk) or Twitter (@brockwelljunior using #GSChallenge). If you email the picture in, please put the class and child's initial as the subject, along with 'Media Competition'. Please keep online safety in mind when using Twitter - no close-up shots of children and no names – many thanks. The closing date for all entries is **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**. Children are allowed to submit as many entries as they wish. We ask that the photograph is sent to us by a responsible adult.

### Friends of Monkey Park

Kevin Walker has recently launched the Friends of Monkey Park to help replace the ageing and dangerous play equipment in Chester Street Park, Brampton. The group need to raise £5000 to qualify for a £50,000 grant to fund these improvements. If you would like to help, please see their website at www.friendsofmonkeypark.org.uk, like and share their Facebook page www.facebook.com/friendsofmonkeypark or visit their Just Giving page http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfundng/friendsofmonkeypark to make a donation. Please save the date 14th July when a family Fun Day is planned.

#### INSET DAYS to July 2020 – school is closed to children on the following dates:

- Monday 3rd June 2019
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019
- Tuesday 3rd September 2019
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019
- Monday 1st June 2020
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020

#### **School Clubs**

Year 4 Quadkids – all welcome letters have now been sent home with children expressing an interest. Thursdays from 3.30pm to 4.30pm starting  $11^{th}$  April – 6 sessions

Year 5 / 6 Cricket Club Tuesdays 3.30pm to 4.30pm starting 9<sup>th</sup> April – 6 sessions www.jumpingclay.com – all welcome

Football Club All year groups 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 17<sup>th</sup> May, 7<sup>th</sup> June, 14<sup>th</sup> June and 21<sup>st</sup> June (finishes 4.30pm) After and Before School Care Clubs run daily 8am to 8.50am and 3.25pm to 5.30pm.