



## Newsletter - 19th October 2018

### YEAR 6 MAYAN OUTCOME!

Having hand delivered their invitation letters, our Mayan experts in Year 6 informed and entertained their families with a wealth of facts about ancient Mayan civilisation. Our visitors were treated to performances, a chance to share informative leaflets, highlights of comic cartoons and even a slice of Mayan cake. It was great to have so many visitors and see new knowledge being shared by everyone.



### SPORTING EVENTS

#### Cross Country

The first PEDSSA cross country event took place at Baiter Park. BMS took 29 pupils and all performed brilliantly in very testing conditions, so well done!! The next race is at **Canford School on the 8th November.**

#### Football

The Year 5, 6, 7 and 8 teams have all played some fixtures. It has been brilliant to get so many pupils representing the school. There will be PEDSSA Key Stage 3 football in the Spring term, whilst the County Cups take precedence in the Autumn term.

#### Rugby

The Year 7 and 8 rugby teams have performed really well over the last few weeks, making loads of progress! After a difficult first week against some experienced opposition, the Year 7 boys began playing some good rugby, scoring loads of tries and showing really good team work! The Year 8s also made a huge amount of progress from the first week, putting some good phases together and defending really well as a team.

### Key Dates for the Autumn Term

Half Term—Mon 22nd Oct to Friday 26th Oct

Week beginning 29th October 2018 – PIMMs meetings commence

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – UBC outcome day

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Children in Need – Non-school uniform

Tuesday 20th November 2018—Book Look Evening  
Thursday 22nd November 2018—Follow up appointments

Friday 23rd November 2018—Extra Mile Fun Run (Julia's House and J Rock Fundraising)

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Christmas Fayre

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Year 5 Flu immunisations

### NUT FREE SCHOOL

At Broadstone Middle School we ensure the safety of all our children by running as a 'NUT FREE SCHOOL'. We have a number of pupils with severe nut allergies requiring epi-pens should they come into contact with them. Therefore, we politely ask that you do not send your children into school with nuts as snacks or items containing nuts.

In addition to this, no children should be sharing or swapping food in school to again safeguard our children from a potentially life threatening situation. This message will be shared with all staff, pupils and adults at this school.



## J ROCK IS BACK!

We would like to say a huge thank you to all those children who have expressed an interest in Rock Challenge this year.

Rock Challenge auditions were held last Friday 12th October and were a huge success, with 147 students attending! The selection process is now complete and after agonising hours going through judges sheets, we have a team.

A massive well done to all the students who made the team. We strongly encourage any students who were unsuccessful this time to reapply next year and not be disheartened.

The auditions were a really high standard this year, unfortunately, we had to turn away some really talented students. Everyone should be very proud of their performance in the auditions; it was lovely to have so many students wanting to be part of Team BMS. I really wish we could take you all!

This year J Rock will take place at **Portsmouth Guildhall on Thursday 14th February 2019.**



## SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS!

A huge thank you to all the pupils who applied for the School Council - each and every campaign was truly brilliant!

Although the votes were extremely close, there can only be sixteen winners across the whole school. A big congratulations to the successful candidates for the 2018-2019 School Council!

## School Council 2018-2019



## KS3 FILM NIGHT

The KS3 children had an awesome time at the first film night event for this academic year. The children rocked up on their PJ's and brought their pillows, bean bags and blankets to snuggle down and enjoy *The Jungle Book*.

They munched their way through popcorn, sweets and fizzy drinks for a true cinema experience!

We would like to thank to social hub for holding these events and the staff who support! We look forward to the next one.



## KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER WORKSHOP

Thank you to the parents who attended the recent knowledge organiser workshop. This was a great success and we look forward to the children continuing to challenge themselves and learn a variety of different cognitive strategies to really retain the knowledge. This process supports the children with basic knowledge to be able to build upon at depth in lessons.

