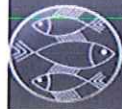




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NEWS FROM MISS JOHNSTON

Happy New Year! A very warm welcome back to school and to 2012! I hope that you all had an enjoyable Christmas and haven't broken your new year's resolutions already! The school certainly wasn't sleeping over Christmas. The installation of our new fire alarm system was completed and we also carried out repairs to fencing that had been damaged. I'm delighted to inform you that we raised £219.12 for the Children's Society at our Christingle Service on the last day of term and those parents who heard about our 'staff band' may like to view photos of our performance, (as well as the children's Christingle Service), on the gallery page of our school website. I'd like to extend a warm welcome to Henry, who has joined us in Year 5 this week and also to Miss Jenkinson, who has joined us on a graduate teacher placement until March. This week we have been trialling a new approach to lunchtimes with the children, which will see fewer outside at any one time. We will evaluate this with the children and staff over the coming weeks. Response slips for our spring term clubs have also been sent out this week. There are a few spaces remaining in some clubs. Please contact the school office for further details. Today we will be celebrating Epiphany and look forward to welcoming parents into the classroom to join in with our activities. KS1 will be focusing on gifts and KS2 great journeys. Finally, Miss Brough has recovered well and I'm pleased to say, is hoping to return to school on MONDAY. Wishing you all an enjoyable (and less windy!) weekend. Miss Johnston ☺

KS1 Golden Assembly:

Starfish – Rio - Excellent progress with phonics, **Jessica** - always being a good friend and sharing resources

Seahorse – Jade – excellent progress with decoding in reading. **Charlie** for trying really hard in phonics

Lobster – Bailey – super descriptive writing, great use of words, i.e. handsome (Head teachers award given) **Read, Write, Inc!** - Fred's Group – Reece, Jay, Chloe H. Max, Katie – For working so hard with their reading, they are now able to work on the comprehension books that accompany these stories.

Other Achievements – **Chloe P** – 100 m swimming. **Top Table**, Kaitlyn, Alexander, Brandon and Poppy

Diary Dates

12th January – Steve Beynon and Cllr Cousins visiting
12th January – Last Gymnastics Club
16th January – Spring term after school clubs start
17th January – Forest Schools sessions begin
23rd – 27th January – Farmhouse Breakfast Week
27th January – Community Breakfast @ 8:40am
3rd February – Coffee and chat @ 8:40am
10th February – 3rd payment due for Year 6 residential trips
13th – 17th February – Half-term
20th February – **School Closed: INSET Day**
21st February – School re-opens to children @ 8:25am

STOP PRESS – Although it seems a long way off, we are starting to think about ideas to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. If you have any ideas about events or commemorative items, I'd be delighted to hear from you.

PE Kit

Please can I remind you to ensure that children bring this in to school every Monday, including plimsolls for KS1 and trainers for KS2. It does cause us problems if children do not have kit, so we would appreciate your co-operation. Children are allowed to wear jogging bottoms for warmth during the winter months.

Class planning and newsletters

Class teachers will send these documents out to you on Monday. However, if you just can't wait until then, want to see the detail of lesson objectives, or are just interested in what another year group is up to, you can always view this on the planning page of our school website: <http://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/info?id=26> Each class has a geography and citizenship focus throughout this term.

HAPPY, HEATHERS, HEALTHY, HEARTY MENU

MONDAY: Beef bolognese OR cheese hotpot, pasta, broccoli and sweetcorn, followed by apple and blackberry strudel

TUESDAY: Roast chicken and stuffing, OR roasted vegetable risotto, roast potatoes, peas and carrots, followed by cherry crumble tart and custard

WEDNESDAY: Mild beef curry OR vegetable and tomato layer, rice, green beans and salad followed by jam sponge and custard

THURSDAY: Cod fish fingers OR cheese and tomato pizza, oven chips, peas and baked beans, followed by flapjack

FRIDAY: Roast pork, apple sauce and gravy OR quorn and vegetable wrap, roast potatoes, cauliflower and broccoli, followed by fresh fruit salad

Also homemade bread, crudités and fresh fruit are always available.

A jacket potato option is also available to children in Years 4, 5 and 6.

All the above are subject to change -Dinners now cost £1.85 per day
or £53.65 for every school day this half-term

Front gate

A small thing, but please can I remind parents and visitors to shut the beautiful wooden gate at the front of the school, replacing it on the latch. Our caretaker has had to re-hang this gate several times in the last month and we are concerned that we may have to replace it altogether if this continues. Thank you for taking the time to close the gate.

Farmhouse Breakfast Week - 23rd to 27th January 2012

I hope that you all have these dates in your diary. We already have a number of visitors planned to come in and work with the children around making healthy and local food choices, as well as our now legendary community breakfast from 8:40am on 27th January. All welcome! We look forward to celebrating this week with you and your children. We will be providing every child with a healthy breakfast, every morning, that week. We would be grateful if you are able to make a small donation towards this, as it is quite an undertaking to provide breakfast to 190 children for 5 days - £1 per child is a suggested amount. Thank you.

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

I enclose a donation of _____ towards Farmhouse Breakfast Week.

Dietary Needs: _____

Activities at West Wight Sports Centre

'Swimming Tots' is on Thursday mornings and is a class for pre-school children (age 3 years to pre-school) and their parents. It is run by Shirley Miles probably the most experienced swimming instructor on the Isle of Wight! It's a 6 week course and starts on Thursday. Cost: £34.80.

Beginner swimming lessons are on Thursdays after school for age 4 upwards. We have spaces available for the course starting this week. Cost: £34.80 for the 6 week course.

Taster Trampoline sessions on Saturday January 7th - there will be 4 x 45 minute sessions available and these are FREE OF CHARGE. Better still - if you book your child on to the course that starts on Tuesday 10th, we'll give you a 25% discount - so it really is worth coming along to one of the free sessions.

Further details available by ringing the Centre on: 752168.

Mobile Phone Numbers

Were you lucky enough to receive a new mobile phone for Christmas? If you did and have changed your number, please let us know, so that we can update our emergency contact records and text system. You can phone us: 740285

Text: 07786208446 (please include your name!) or

Email: brighstonepri@lineone.net

Theatre Train Club in Shorwell

We were delighted with the interest in this club. We are currently negotiating the fine details with Theatre Train and hope to be in contact with you about this club again in the near future. Thank you for your patience.

Bug Club and Mathletics

A reminder that we have provided all children with FREE access to Bug Club (Reading) and Mathletics websites at home. These sites are a super way for you to support your child with their learning and have fun!

The school ID log-in for Bug Club is: cajj

Children should have their individual log-in's at the front of their reading records. Please contact us if your child does not have their log-in for either site, or you do not have access to the internet at home. We can provide internet access via our breakfast club. Please contact Miss Capelin (Reception Teacher) for further information.

Readers

Do you have an hour to spare? We would love more parents to come in to school to support us with hearing children read. Any time that you can give is a help! Please speak to your child's class teacher. An enhanced CRB check will be required, but there is no cost involved. Forms can be obtained from the school office. Thank you for your support and involvement.

Uniform

A brief reminder about our school uniform. The only jewellery that children are advised to wear, are stud earrings. Children are not permitted to wear make-up or nail varnish. Shoes - please supply sturdy black shoes that are laced, buckled or have velcro. Trainers are only permitted for KS2 PE or emergency situations e.g. buckle on shoes is broken and new shoes are being purchased at the weekend.

FAB - becoming even more FABulous!

We recently undertook a consultation with children who regularly use FAB to find out what they really liked doing and what we could do to make our after school club even more enjoyable for them. The children had some great ideas which we are going to introduce from next week. Please see our attachment with this edition of the Buzz. We would be pleased to hear what the children think of these changes, so please let us know if they give you any feedback.



Matthew 2
v 1-12

Miss Johnston

Worship Theme:

Epiphany

Weekly Prayer:

Father,
you revealed your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star.
Lead us to your glory in heaven
by the light of faith.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever and ever.
Amen