



Brighstone Buzz

19th December, 2014

www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk

What a fantastic last week of term it has been!

We completed our two fantastic performances of 'Over by Christmas' in the Church, I would like to once again thank you all for supporting both of these with such gusto. I am confidently informed that it was the busiest we have EVER seen it and the children excelled themselves despite last minute unavoidable changes. I recognise that several of you were frustrated either because you had to stand or because there were adaptations to the play and nativity. We will give great thought to how we will attempt to avoid this happening in future years without spoiling the wonderful spirit of our events.

Also this week, we were treated to a performance from our brass players. What a wonderful sound they all made from those that have been playing for only one term to those who are more experienced.

Panda class have been keeping their eyes peeled all week after receiving news that Rudolph had escaped and I'm pleased to report that they went on a hunt and found him and he has been safely returned to the North Pole in time for Christmas Eve.

Christmas dinner went with a bang yesterday and we were thrilled to find out that we were on the list for a flying visit from Father Christmas himself this morning.

How wonderful was it to turn on the radio this morning and hear some of our children singing live? Well done to them all as it did mean an early start for them having to be at the radio station for 7am - the joys of show business!

All that is left to do is to wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year! We look forward to seeing you on Monday the 5th of January! Ms Hall x

Stop Press! Christmas has been saved, thanks to Panda Class!

After receiving a letter from a very worried Father Christmas, Panda Class have spent the past week searching for Rudolph. He went missing during a storm one night and although he had been spotted by the children in lots of different places, he kept on getting away. Various traps were set, Christos hung a carrot outside, Ettienne thought he'd been raiding his fridge and Izzy even saw him hiding in Mummy and Daddy's bed! However, yesterday morning we went out on a Reindeer Hunt, armed with carrots. We followed the trail all the way to Christmas Carol's house where we found him in the garden! The children sang him songs and finally persuaded him to go back to Father Christmas....And so, Christmas was saved!!

We all went into Christmas Carol's house afterwards for drinks and cookies under the tree. Well done Pandas!



Collective Worship Focus:

Advent Weekly Prayer

Father, all-powerful God, your eternal Word took flesh on our earth when the Virgin Mary placed her life at the service of your plan. Lift our minds in watchful hope to hear the voice which announces his glory and open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

~AMEN.



HEATHER'S HEALTHY HEARTY MENU

Monday	Meatballs in tomato sauce with pasta OR Frittata with sweetcorn and broccoli followed by Ice cream with peaches.
Tuesday	Roast pork OR Quorn roast with roast potatoes, broccoli, carrot and swede mash and gravy followed by fruit pie and custard.
Wednesday	Pizza with ½ jacket potato OR Moroccan chicken and rice, peas and roasted vegetables followed by Oat cookie and fruit slices.
Thursday	Cottage pie OR vegetable pasta bake with carrots and cabbage followed by chocolate fudge cake.
Friday	Fish fingers, chips, beans and peas or mild vegetable curry and rice followed by banana marble cake.

Mixed Salad, freshly baked bread, fresh fruit, milk and water are also available daily.

If your child does not like what is on the menu there is the alternative of a Jacket Potato with cheese, cheese and beans, beans or tuna mayo which they can order during registration.

School Dinners for Years 3-6 are charged at £2.05. If you would like to pay for school dinners for the whole half term it will be £61.50

Attendance %:

Panda	98.93
Penguin	96.49
Leopard	97.62
Jaguar	97.62
Elephant	99.15
Tiger	97.94
Blue Whale	98.52
Whole School:	98.11

Congratulations to:
Elephant class for their positive attendance this week. They will have Ali the Attendance Bear in their classroom all next week.

Dates for your diary:



January 2015

Monday 5th ~ First Day of Term
Thursday 8th ~ Eucharist in the church. All Welcome.
Wednesday 22nd ~ Parents Evenings – All Classes
Thursday 23rd ~ Parents Evenings – Years Rec. Yr 3/4/5

February

Monday 16th ~ First Day of Half-Term

Phil the bag collection

Thank you to everyone who dropped off bags, we collected 630kg which equates to £252 for the BSA.

Reminders for the beginning of Spring Term

- The school day begins at 8.25am and finishes at 2.45pm.
- If a child is unable to attend school for any reason, please inform the office by 8.30am.
- When a child is off sick, please send a letter to explain why they were absent or fill in one of our green absence forms within 3 days or the absence will be marked as unauthorised.
- Please label all uniform and belongings.
- Only fruit is allowed for snack time and no food items containing nuts are allowed in school.
- Golden assembly is on most Fridays at 8.40am. You will be notified by text if your child is in the Golden Book.
- School dinners for KS1 children are free and £2.05 for KS2.
- Tuck is on sale every Friday at a cost of 20p.
- Music Lessons: Piano & Guitars – Tuesday. Keyboards, Saxophone & Clarinet – Wednesday. Violins & Recorders – Thursday. Brass and Y3 – Friday.

FAB Club

If you are unable to collect your child/ren from school on time, you can call the school office and book a place in FAB for them at a cost of £4 for the first hour (snack provided), £3p/h thereafter.

Fun at Brighstone or 'FAB' is a breakfast and afterschool club available Monday to Friday from 7.30-8.25am and 2.45-5.30pm on school days and 8.30-5pm in school holidays.

Community Lunch

Every Tuesday from 12pm we invite parents, grandparents and members of the community to the school hall for a two course lunch. For £3.40 you will get a roast dinner, pudding and tea or coffee. Please let the school office know on a Monday if you would like to attend.

Contacting the school

We are now **NOT CHANGING** our text message provider and so you can still text us back. You can also email brighstoneschooloffice@gmail.com, this is a dedicated email account for parents/carers or you can call 740285 at any time and leave a message.

Some Christmas Fun.....

What does Santa suffer from if he gets stuck in a chimney?
Claustrophobia!

Why does Santa have three gardens?
So he can 'ho ho ho'!

Why did Santa's helper see the doctor?
Because he had a low "elf" esteem!

What kind of motorbike does Santa ride?
A Holly Davidson!

Who delivers presents to cats?
Santa Paws!

What do you call Father Christmas on the beach?
Sandy Clause!

What did the sea say to Santa?
Nothing! It just waved!

What says Oh Oh Oh?
Santa walking backwards!

What goes Ho Ho Whoosh, Ho Ho Whoosh?
Santa going through a revolving door!

Parents Evenings January 2015

Wednesday, 22nd
Year R – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 1 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 2 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 3 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 4 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 5 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 6 – 1.00 – 5.00 p.m.

Thursday 23rd
Year R – 3.00 – 5.00 p.m.
Year 3 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 4 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.
Year 5 – 3.00 – 6.30 p.m.



Wishing you all a Magical Christmas and fabulous 2015 from all the staff at Brighstone Primary School