



29th January, 2015

Brighstone Buzz

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It has been a very soggy week but that has not dampened our spirits here at Brighstone Primary School.

The whole school sang their hearts out on Thursday as we bid a final farewell to the lovely Revd. Helen O'Sullivan. Thanks to all of the kind donations the school presented Helen with a Print and hanging ornament both representing the fish of our school emblem. We also gave her the remainder of the money collected so that she could put it to good use!

Lasting reminders of all the children were also handed over as each class had produced a card and a school photograph was taken and printed. This was followed by a very moving rendition of 'here I am to worship' and a blessing for the whole school. Helen has been a guiding light for the whole of Brighstone Community throughout the last four years and will always remain in the heart and prayers of our school. Adios Helen, we will miss you and we wish you all the best for the future.

We welcomed representatives from UKSA into school on Wednesday, who met with children and parents from Years 4 & 6 regarding their upcoming residential trips.

Year 3 were very excited on their return from Sandown Zoo on Tuesday as it had coincided with the debut appearance of their new tiger, Simi who has been rescued from a circus in Germany.

I don't know what you have planned for the weekend but I have my nit comb at the ready for the weekly check! I have spoken to several parents and staff this week as we are still striving to eradicate our unwanted visitors. I would ask that you all continue to check regularly. If you need help identifying what you are looking for or any other assistance, please let me know.

Have a fantastic Weekend. Mrs Street

Golden Book

Bee	Rosie & Elin ~ for their great independent writing at the writing table.
Butterfly	Jack ~ for being so brave this week.
Ladybird	Imogen ~ for showing a really good understanding of fractions.
Caterpillar	The Whole class for behaving so well on their school trip.
Grasshopper	Grace ~ for having a great attitude to learning and challenging herself.
Cricket	Freya C & Claudia ~ for showing great perseverance and tenacity with their work this week.
Dragonfly	Reece & Emily ~ for such improvement in times table application.

Girls Football team for winning 5-2 yesterday, report below.

Collective Worship focus – Perseverance

Romans 5:3-5

More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

HEATHER'S HEALTHY HEARTY MENU

Monday	Sausages with mashed potatoes and gravy OR Tuscan Bean & Butternut Risotto (v) with garden peas and carrots, followed by Chocolate Ice-Cream Pot
Tuesday	Roast turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy OR Short crust Topped Country Vegetable Pie (v) with Roast Potatoes with carrots and cabbage followed by sponge with custard
Wednesday	Beef bolognese with Wholewheat pasta OR Cheese whirl with potato wedges with broccoli and sweetcorn, followed by oaty fruit crumble with custard
Thursday	Moroccan chicken with rice OR veggie Pasta Bake (v) with roasted vegetables, garden peas followed by crispie cake
Friday	Fish fingers OR quorn burger in a bun (v) with chips, baked beans and peas followed by shortbread with fruit slices

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 %:

Bee	93.18
Butterfly	93.98
Ladybird	98.94
Caterpillar	99.15
Grasshopper	96.67
Cricket	96.67
Dragonfly	98.81
Whole School:	96.82

Congratulations to Caterpillar Class for their positive attendance this week.

Well done!



Dates for your diary:

FEBRUARY

- Tues 2nd ~ Year 1 trip to Carisbrooke Castle
- Mon 22nd ~ Parents evening appointment sheets will be available in office foyer or by telephone
- Fri 12th ~ Last day of half-term
- Mon 22nd ~ First day of 2nd half-term
- Thurs 25th ~ Phase 2 reports out
- W/c 29th ~ Parents evenings

March

- Thurs 24th ~ Last day of Spring Term
- Sun 27th ~ Easter Sunday

We are collecting milk bottle tops for our Easter Egg Hunt and ALSO Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers. Please collect from friends/family and bring into Melissa/Suzanne. Many thanks.

Year 3 trip to the Zoo



Caterpillar class had a wonderful trip to Sandown Zoo on Tuesday this week. They all represented the school beautifully and thoroughly enjoyed themselves despite the weather being unkind to them in the afternoon. They were very privileged to meet the new addition to the zoo, Simi the tiger who has been rescued from a zoo in Germany.

Football

On Thursday 28th of January, the under 11 girls played a football match against Carisbrooke Primary School. Brighstone scored an amazing five goals and Carisbrooke scored two goals leaving the final score at 5-2. The goals were scored by Holly, Immy and Bess. When we won, we celebrated in the mud! Well done Brighstone!



Bell Ringing

Come and make yourself heard!
A Bell Ringing taster session at St Mary's Brighstone,

2.30-4.00pm on Tuesday 16th February

Please drop in to find out how a bell works, a bit of the history, what the ringers do and have a go under supervision of the Brighstone Ringers.

All children and adults welcome.
Contact Beccy on 741052 if there are any questions.

General Reminders

School dinners are FREE for Years Reception to Year 2, Years 3-6 are charged at £2.05

Music Lessons - Afternoons

- Mondays ~ Violins and Recorders
- Tuesday ~ Piano and Guitars
- Thursdays ~ Clarinet, Sax and Keyboards
- Friday ~ Brass ad Year 3 class lesson

Swimming

Yr3 and some Yr4 – Friday mornings

Clubs this term

Thursdays ~ **Choir Club** for Y1-6 2.45-3.45pm in the Church

Don't forget to return the response slip for Clubs next term asap!

NHS Dentist

As requested by several parents, we have managed to receive information from an NHS Dentist on the Island who has spaces for children/adults at their Dental Practice. Please call, Denbigh House Dental Clinic, George Street, Ryde on **568700** for further information and to book an appointment.

Get Active – Prizes to be won!

This week all parents should have received a letter outlining our plans to help children get active. We have teamed up with the cycling charity Sustrans who will be providing all classes with Scooter Skills training over the next couple of weeks. All training will be within the school grounds, please ensure that children have their scooters and helmets with them when needed.

Years 2 & 3 – Tuesday 2nd Feb.
Years 1, 4 & 5 – Thursday 4th Feb.
Reception & Year 6 – Tuesday 9th Feb.

Alongside this, next week we will be running the "Golden Padlock Competition" - each day a golden padlock will be put on one of the scooters or bikes left in school for the day. The owner of the bike or scooter will win a prize. This is in an effort to encourage children who live within a mile of the school to cycle or scoot into school.