



Brighstone Buzz

16th December, 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Only nine more sleeps until Christmas Day. We have had an eventful, stimulating and productive first term and I would like to thank you all for the welcome and support that I have had as your new Headteacher.

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported us at our Christmas Fayre last Saturday and also for the excellent turn out we had for both performances of the school nativity. Both performances were superb, the children sparkled and shone as they performed – congratulations and well done to all of them.

I have some very exciting news to share with you. English Heritage recently ran a competition to find the best teacher on the Isle of Wight, Tilly in year 2 entered the competition and nominated Mrs Lennon. Tilly's writing was so imaginative and persuasive that she won the competition; this was a complete surprise for Mrs Lennon. They both went along to Carisbrooke Castle on Monday to be presented with their prizes.

On a sadder note, one of our teachers will be leaving part of the way through next term. Mrs Jones, our Year 1 teacher, will be moving with her family to Australia. Her last day at Brighstone Primary School will be Friday 13th January 2017, nearer the time we will take the opportunity to wish her well and say our goodbyes.

I hope you all have a happy, restful and peaceful Christmas

Best wishes

Mrs Fox

Golden Book

Robin	Eleanor ~ for her confidence with independent writing. Wesley ~ for making excellent progress with reading.
Owl	Daisy ~ for amazing singing and dancing, keeping everyone going. Casper ~ amazing progress during the Autumn half term in everything.
Chaffinch	The Whole Class ~ for their wonderful performances in the school nativity. Matilda ~ for being a great member of chaffinch class and the school community.
Swallow	Tobey ~ for his wonderful piece of writing – "a small miracle".
Nightingale	Scarlett and Ziva ~ for encouraging everyone with the actions in the dance for the nativity and always being helpful.
Falcon	Sophie ~ for her wonderful contribution to the school community, wishing her the best of luck with her new adventure.
Kingfisher	Annabelle & Rebecca ~ for being focused on rehearsals and performances for the nativity.

Collective Worship focus

I count the days to Christmas and I watch the evening sky.
 I want to see the angels as to Bethlehem they fly.
 I'm watching for the wise men and the royal shining star.
 Please may I travel with them? Is the stable very far?
 I count the days to Christmas as we shop and bake and clean.
 The lights and tinsel sparkle and yet deep inside I dream
 That as we tell the story of Lord Jesus and his birth,
 The things of everyday will fade as heaven comes to earth.

HEATHER'S HEALTHY HEARTY MENU New Menu.....

Monday	Macaroni cheese or veggie bolognese with sweetcorn and salad followed by Biscotti and peach slices.
Tuesday	Roast Turkey OR Quorn with roast potatoes, vegetables and gravy followed by Fruit strudel and custard.
Wednesday	Sausages OR cauliflower bake with mashed potato, peas and carrots followed by chocolate oatie cookie and fruit slices.
Thursday	Chinese orange chicken OR bean fajitas with peas and broccoli followed by mango frozen yogurt.
Friday	Fish OR veggie burger with chips, baked beans and coleslaw followed by fruity sponge and custard.

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 £2.15. If you would like to pay for school dinners for the whole half term it will be **£73.05**

Attendance %:

Robin	98.41
Owl	93.75
Chaffinch	97.47
Swallow	95.24
Nightingale	92.06
Falcon	85.99
Kingfisher	93.25
Whole School:	93.48

Congratulations to Robin Class for their positive attendance this week.
Well done!

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3rd

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January

First day of term

Christmas Fayre

The BSA would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported us with donations, time and custom at this year's fayre. We raised just under £1000. This money as always will go towards school trips and resources for the school to keep costs to parents and minimal as possible.

Nativity - Photo CD's

Cd's of photos are now available from the school office for £1

After School Clubs – Next term

We will send text messages out on the first day back to find out who would like places in:

Netball Club for years 3,4,5&6. Thursdays 2.45-3.45pm

Multi skills Sports Club for years R,1&2 Fridays 2.45-3.45pm

Running from Thursday 5th January to Friday 3rd February £10

Money Owed

Please ensure that all outstanding dinner, music or trip money is paid into the office by 4pm today.

Merry Christmas!

From all the staff at Brighstone Primary School, we wish you a Merry Christmas and health and happiness for the New Year.

