



Brighstone Buzz

3rd February, 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past week we have experienced some very wet, dull and dismal weather, despite this the children's enthusiasm for learning has not been dampened. As I walk around school and spend time in the classrooms, I am greeted by engaging, stimulating and varied learning opportunities for the children. We look forward to being able to share your child's learning with you during the Parent Consultation evenings for the Spring Term. These will be held on Wednesday 8th March and Thursday 9th March, this will be your opportunity to discuss your child's progress directly with the teacher. Keeping you up to date on your child's progress is very important to us and we feel that the best way to do this is through parent consultation. You will receive a detailed written report about your child's achievement, attainment and progress across all areas of the curriculum in July. In the meantime, we feel that the best way to keep you informed is through a formative discussion process. We will let you know when you are able to book appointments.

I am sure many of you will have been aware that last week was the start of the Chinese New Year – but did you know that this year is the 'Year of the Rooster'? The children in Robin and Owl Class were very excited to share this information with me and the Chinese Lanterns that they had been making.

As half-term approaches there are some very important dates that for your diary. On Friday 17th February, the BSA are holding a Valentine's Disco for the children; the school disco is always an enjoyable event giving the children an opportunity to socialise with each other as part of their wider experience of school life. This is also the start of our half-term holiday, the children return to school on Tuesday 28th February. Please note that Monday 27th February is an INSET day.

Along with the Buzz today your child will have a letter that is informing you about changes to Breakfast and After-school club (FAB). A copy of the letter is also attached to the version of the Buzz on the school website; it is also a separate attachment for those of you who receive an electronic copy via email. Please check your child's bag for a paper copy of the letter. I would like to encourage any parents who have questions, comments or concerns to contact me. I am happy for you to approach me in the playground at the beginning and the end of the school day or to make an appointment if you prefer.

Best wishes

Mrs Fox

Golden Book

Robin	Neve ~ Head Teacher special certificate for being really motivated to write.
Owl	Tobias ~ for using questioning in his character description writing.
Chaffinch	Austin ~ for excellent investigating in Maths, when grouping in different groups.
Swallow	Sydnie ~ worked extremely hard on improving her writing and responding well to marking/feedback.
Nightingale	JD ~ for working independently and asking for challenges. Billy ~ Taekwondo belt. Leo ~ Trampolining certificate.
Falcon	Erin ~ for her excellent effort and commitment always! Amelia ~ awards from pony club: best turned out and good attendance.
Kingfisher	Sienna ~ organising prayers and quiz so well.

Collective Worship focus

This week we have celebrated Candlemas.

*Again Jesus spoke to them saying:
"I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk
in darkness, but have the light of
life."*

John Chapter 8 verse 12.

HEATHER'S HEALTHY HEARTY MENU

New Menu.....

Monday	Cheese and tomato pizza with potato wedges OR Vegetable frittata with garlic bread, sweetcorn & broccoli followed by Fruit and yoghurt.
Tuesday	Roast Pork OR Quorn with roast potatoes, carrots, cabbage and gravy followed by chocolate cake and chocolate sauce.
Wednesday	Beef Bolognese with pasta OR Mediterranean tart with couscous with peas and coleslaw followed by cheese and biscuits.
Thursday	Burger in a bun with wedges OR Veggie Curry with rice, green beans and roasted vegetable followed by flapjack.
Friday	Fish fingers with chips, peas and beans OR Cheesy leek sausages followed by bread and butter pudding 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 **£73.10**

Attendance %:

Robin	100
Owl	98.69
Chaffinch	97.22
Swallow	98.94
Nightingale	98.41
Falcon	87.37
Kingfisher	97.12
Whole School:	96.46

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

Dates for your Diary

February

Fri 17th
Tuesday 28th

~ Last day of term
~ First day of term

Football Training:

There will be football training:

Years 3,4,5 & 6 Girls Only on Mondays 2.45 – 3.45pm

Brighstone Book Club

Calling all parents, grandparents and carers! Come along and enjoy reading with your child:

Reception, Years 1 & 2 – Fridays from 2.15pm

Years 3 & 4 – Tuesdays from 2.15pm

Years 5 & 6 – Wednesdays from 2.15pm

Valentines Disco

This year's Disco arranged by the BSA will be on Friday the 17th of February – the last day of term.

Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3 from 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Years 4, 5 & 6 from 7.15pm – 8.15pm

The cost is £2 per child

Drinks and sweets will be available to buy on the night.

Tickets available from the school office now!



After School Clubs This Term

Club	Available to	With	Day	Cost p/w	Finishing
Sports Skills	Key Stage 1	Sports Coach	Friday	£2	3 rd Feb
Netball	Key stage 2	Sports Coach	Thursday	£2	9 th Feb
Show Choir	Years 1-6	Mrs Pugh/ Biggs	Wednesday	£2	1 st Feb

Head Lice

We have had a number of parents informing us that they have had to treat their child's hair for head lice. We would like to please remind parents that children with long hair should have it tied back and refer you to the NHS guidelines:

Wet combing

Wet combing involves removing head lice with a special fine-toothed comb, it has flat-faced teeth spaced 0.2-0.3mm apart are best for removing head lice, although combs with smaller gaps can be used to remove eggs and nits (egg cases) after treatment.

The comb may come with instructions outlining how to use it. A commonly used method is described below.

- Wash the hair with ordinary shampoo and apply plenty of conditioner.
- Use an ordinary, wide-toothed comb to straighten and untangle the hair.
- Once the comb moves freely through the hair without dragging, switch to the louse detection comb.
- Make sure the teeth of the comb slot into the hair at the roots, with the edge of the teeth lightly touching the scalp.
- Draw the comb down from the roots to the ends of the hair with every stroke, and check the comb for lice each time – remove lice by wiping the comb with tissue paper or rinsing it.
- Work through the hair, section by section, so that the whole head of hair is combed through.
- Do this at least twice to help ensure you haven't missed any areas, until no more lice are found.

Repeat this procedure on days five, nine and 13. Detection combing should be done on day 17, to check for any live head lice.

Rotary Easter Card Competition

Your child will be sent home with an Easter egg shape card next week for the above competition:

- ✓ Only one entry per child
- ✓ Each entry must be the child's own work
- ✓ The design of the card to be in the form of an Easter greeting card
- ✓ Closing date is Friday 31st March, 2017
- ✓ There will be 4 prizes of a £10 WH Smith Gift Voucher

Prizes for categories:

Reception
Year Group 1&2
Year Group 3&4
Year Group 5&6

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

It's that time of year again. We are collecting the vouchers from Sainsbury's. Please hand them in to the school office. Last year we received 2 football goal posts and nets, 4 corner posts and flags, whistles, stop watches and some footballs and ball bags.