



7th April, 2017



## Brighstone Buzz



Dear Parents and Carers,

WOW! – What an EGGs-travanganza of a week!

Our week's journey started with inviting the children to reflect on acts of kindness for Lent as we approach the start of Holy Week. Simple examples of these are: Draw a picture for an adult you love; Tidy away toys; Smile and say thank you to someone. Today in Golden Worship we encouraged the children to share these at home with you during the holidays.

The highlight of the term for fourteen of our Year Five children was the opportunity to participate in 'Zacchaeus – the Musical'. They excelled as they performed with a cast of over 100 people that included children from the four other schools in West Wight, and adult choir, musicians and dancers. The show was a sell out and the hall at the sports centre was packed with an audience of approximately 400 people. A great experience that also raised nearly £1,500 for the ongoing running of our local community sports centre. Well done to all of them they were great ambassadors for the school.

On Thursday we came to together as a whole school for Eucharist, it was lovely to welcome so many parents to the service. This was a great opportunity to focus on the Easter message as the excitement of the holidays approaches.

We would like to thank the BSA for all of their hard work with the organisation and preparation of the Easter activities and competitions. The Easter hunt caused great excitement and was thoroughly enjoyed in the warm Spring sunshine. Well done to Wolverton the winning house for collecting the most milk bottle tops and special congratulations to Finley in Year 5 for finding the 'Golden Egg'. We had a fantastic response to the Easter 'Bake Off' and the Easter Bonnet competition. Congratulations to all who entered, there were some unique and imaginative entries.

Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Easter.

Mrs Fox

### Golden Book

<b>Robin</b>	Sam S ~ for working hard in our guided writing lesson this week.
<b>Owl</b>	Lauren ~ for her super Autumn walk diary entry.
<b>Chaffinch</b>	Henry ~ for working really hard on his reading quiz. Joseph ~ swimming award.
<b>Swallow</b>	Tom ~ for working so well with his partner to make his Smartie box.
<b>Nightingale</b>	Ziva ~ being a lovely supporting friend supporting others with their learning without being asked.
<b>Falcon</b>	Amelia ~ for an incredible amount of effort with her homework.
<b>Kingfisher</b>	Leah ~ for her great prayer in worship.

Joseph ~ Role model award for being such a lovely friend to Olivia when she was feeling poorly.

### Collective Worship focus

*Acts of Kindness*  
*We can do no great things,*  
*Only small things with great love.*

*'Love your neighbour as you love yourself.'*

*Mark Chapter 12 Verse 31*

*Who will you show kindness to this week?*

### HEATHER'S HEALTHY HEARTY MENU – NEW MENU

Monday	Cheese and tomato pizza with potato wedges OR meatless balls with garlic bread, sweetcorn & broccoli followed by strawberry frozen yoghurt.
Tuesday	Roast beef OR Quorn with roast potatoes, carrots, swede, green beans and gravy followed by pineapple upside down cake and custard.
Wednesday	Sausages OR veggie sausages with mash, peas and carrots followed by mini chocolate brownie with banana slices.
Thursday	Beef bolognese with pasta OR cheese whirl with new potatoes, carrots followed by fruit flapjack.
Friday	Fish fingers with chips, peas and beans OR veggie lasagne followed by fruity gingercake plate.

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 **£51.60**

### Attendance %:

<b>Robin</b>	97.62
<b>Owl</b>	90.20
<b>Chaffinch</b>	91.67
<b>Swallow</b>	95.24
<b>Nightingale</b>	98.41
<b>Falcon</b>	90.91
<b>Kingfisher</b>	91.36
<b>Whole School:</b>	93.17

Congratulations to Nightingale Class for their positive attendance this week.

Well done!

### Dates for your Diary

#### April

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> ~ First day of Summer Term  
Tues 25<sup>th</sup> ~ swimming for Year 3 and some Year 4's

#### May

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Bank Holiday Monday – No School  
Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> ~ Year 3 Roman Villa Trip  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Year 2 Carisbrooke Castle trip

### BSA Easter Activities

All winners received an Easter Egg donated by the BSA

#### Easter Bonnet winners

##### Year R

First – Eleanor, Second – Sam R, Third – Felicity

##### Year 1

First – William, Second – Daisy, Third – Elin

##### Year 2

First – Lara, Second – Tilly, Third – Leo

#### The Great Brighstone Bake Off winners

##### Year 3

First – Tobey, Second – Harry, Third – Chloe

##### Year 4

First – Hannah, Second – Ruby, Third – Scarlett

##### Year 5

First – Jack L, Second – Casey, Third – Todd

##### Year 6

First – Anwen, Second – Rebecca, Third – Aidan

All children who entered the competitions were given a Lindt Bunny Paw for their tremendous efforts!

### Wolverton Folk and Blues Fair

A wonderful day for all the family!

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017

11.30am – 8.00pm

Wolverton Manor, Shorwell

Live Music, Family Friendly, Food Stalls, Children's Activities, Beer Tent, Circus Skills, Tea Tent with the new addition this year of "Posh Coffee" and cream teas, Moonshine Morris.

All in aid of Leukaemia Research and Brighstone Primary School.

Tickets available now from the school office or from the Village Shop. £7 in advance or £9 on the gate, Children under 12 go FREE.

[www.folkandblues.org.uk](http://www.folkandblues.org.uk)

As always offers of help on the day and donations of baked goodies are extremely welcome! Please see Lucy Brodie or Melissa in the office for more information.

### On-line Payments coming soon!!

A letter is coming home with children today with more information: As of next term, we will be able to accept payments to the school via Schoolmoney - a secure portal linked to our school text messaging system. At the start of the new term you will be sent a text message with a link and password. Please follow the steps to set up your account. You will be able to keep track of money owed and pay for things like school dinners, music tuition, clubs, school trips etc. You will also be able to "top up" so that you can be in credit if you so wish! This new system means that we can now take payment by card in the school office but would encourage you to do this yourself on-line.

### Sickness/ Absence - Green forms will not be sent home

From Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April:

#### Reporting Unplanned Absence (e.g. illness)

- Parents should telephone, text or email the school on the first day of absence before 8:55am.
- Parents should telephone, text or email the school on every day of absence until the child returns to school.
- On return to school, **a note written by the parents, explaining the absence should be handed in to the school office** or fill out a green form in the office. An explanation for the absence can also be sent by email: [office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk) if a digital signature is present. This note should be received by the school **within three days of the pupil's return to school**. If no note is received the absence will be unauthorised. For more info, please refer to our attendance policy on our school website.

### Football Training

Football training for girls in Year 2,3,4&5 will start again on Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May.

Boys in Year 2,3,4&5 will start on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May.

### 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 were able to get 2 football goal posts and nets, 4 corner posts and flags, whistles, stop watches and some footballs and ball bags.

### Walk the Wight

Don't forget to get in plenty of miles and sponsorship over the Easter break!