



## Volume 19, Issue 2 15th September



Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe we have now completed our first full week back at school; the children have shown a real sense of enjoyment and engagement in their learning. I have been impressed by the way the children in Apple Tree Class (Reception) have settled into the routines of school life.

Our children in Willow Class and Sycamore Class have already enjoyed two opportunities of exploring their learning in the local area. Their walk to Marsh Green Farm on Thursday gave them the opportunity to experience a range of features in the outdoor environment.

This week the year 6 children have been applying for a range of roles and responsibilities in school. They have taken on the process with a great sense of maturity, responsibility and purpose. Their letters of application clearly show that they have put a lot of thought into it and that they have a desire to do well. Next week we will be able to share with you the details of who our Head Boy and Head Girl are along with the other jobs that have been assigned. We have discussed with the children how important every role is and that everyone has a part to play in school life. That everyone working together makes Brighstone 'a small school where big things happen'.

As part of our ongoing commitment to Safeguarding, we want to ensure that our school site is secure both before and after the end of the school day. We would like to remind parents that the school gates will not be unlocked before 8.10am in the mornings for drop off and locked at 8.30am; there will be a member of staff on duty from 8.15am. They will be unlocked at 2.35pm for pick-up and locked again at 3.00pm in the afternoon.

I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend.  
Best wishes, Mrs Fox

### Golden Book

Apple	Lucy ~ for consistently listening and for tidying up when asked.
Willow	Molly and Elise ~ for settling in to Willow class with confidence and big smiles!
Sycamore	Ellie-Mae ~ for settling in really well to Sycamore class and working really hard with everything she does.
Juniper	Tobin ~ has worked very hard in English, Maths and Topic this week. He made a super pyramid, concentrated on his work and was respectful.
Cherry	Carlton ~ for such a positive attitude to learning in all areas since coming back including in a group with Mrs Snow.
Silver Birch	Zach ~ for his limitless enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning.
Oak	Amelie ~ for her great Shakespeare scene, she performed it with Mr Wilson in worship.

### Collective Worship

**Our Values and Vision:**  
**Love, Courage and Respect**

**Love is at the heart of our school**  
**We love learning**  
**We love life**  
**We love one another**  
**We know that God loves us all.**  
**Love enables us to be:**  
**A small school where big things happen.**

### Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu— NEW MENU

Monday	BBQ chicken pizza/bean vegetable chili with rice, sweetcorn and mixed peppers followed by pear sponge and custard.
Tuesday	Roast chicken/vegetable wellington with cabbage, sweetcorn, roast potatoes and gravy followed by cheese, apple and biscuits.
Weds	Minced beef and onion pie with mash OR vegetable whole meal pasta bake with green beans and carrots followed by rice pudding and mixed
Thurs	Beef lasagne/red pepper frittata with new potatoes, broccoli and tomato salad followed by apple and raisin strudel with custard.
Friday	Battered fish/cheese and tomato pizza with chips, peas and beans followed by yogurt and fruit.

### Attendance %

Apple	97.92
Willow	99.31
Sycamore	98.77
Juniper	100
Cherry	100
Silver Birch	98.15
Oak	97.47
Whole School	98.83

Congratulations to years 3 & 4 for their positive attendance this week!

### Dates for your Diary

#### September

Wednesday 27th ~ School Photographs, families from 8am

#### October

Wednesday 4th ~ Harvest Festival Celebrations in the church from 8.40am

### After School Clubs

Tag Rugby Club for Years 3,4,5 & 6 **Thursdays** from 2.45-3.45pm

Sports Skills Club for Years 1 & 2 **Fridays** from 2.45-3.45pm

French Club for all ages **Mondays** 2.45-3.45pm

### Before and Afterschool Provision

Breakfast and Afterschool club/childcare is provided by Brighstone Pre-School. If you would like to use this provision from 7am—8.15am or 2.45pm—5pm

Please call them directly on **07707 319843** to book your child in.

For more information you can also email on:  
**[brighstonepreschool@gmail.com](mailto:brighstonepreschool@gmail.com)**

### French Club—Starting Monday 18th

*LCF French after-school club available (Mondays 2.45pm till 3.30pm). The club cost **£5** per session plus a one-off fee of **£10.95**, which includes the course songbook, CD, handbook etc. <http://www.lcfclubs.com/>*

*Please register on <https://www.clubenrolment.com/> LCF Isle of Wight or contact Timea on [language-clubs@hotmail.com](mailto:language-clubs@hotmail.com)*

### Request - Cardboard Boxes

Year 3 are in need of substantial cardboard boxes to make their puppet theatres out of.

Approximately 50cm x40cm with no holes in would be ideal.

### Pumpkin Competition

If you are taking part in the Giant Pumpkin growing competition, now is the time to give your pumpkin the last lot of TLC as we will be weighing them in at the village shop on 2nd October.

### SCHOOL DINNERS - £1.85 per day

We now have a new provider for school meals – Caterlink. Meals will now be at the reduced price of **£1.85** per day, £9.25 per week for all pupils in Key Stage 2 who are not entitled to Free School Meals.

### Brighstone School Association—Relay Race

This year's race against Nine Acres Primary School will be on **Saturday 30th September**. A number of parents and staff will be running to raise money for the school. Money raised helps to keep the cost of school trips down throughout the year and help buy various resources for the school.

If you would like to kindly sponsor our runners, please see Lucy Brodie or Melissa in the school office.

**The next BSA meeting is Thursday 21st in the Year 3 classroom at 6pm.**

### Macmillan Bake Sale - 29th September

For Macmillan's world's biggest Coffee morning we will be holding a bake sale afterschool on FRIDAY 29th of September from 2.45pm.

Last year we raised over £180 - Our most successful year!!

We are hoping to top that this year for such a wonderful cause.

Donations of baked goodies such as cupcakes, brownies, cookies, traybake, muffins, biscuits, flapjacks etc will be greatly appreciated, please drop them off to the office from Thursday (28th) afternoon.

Let's change lives with every slice!

### Football

Unfortunately, the girls team didn't get to play their first game in the Danone Cup against Nine Acres primary because the team had transport issues and couldn't make it to the game. All was not lost though as the girls had a great training session. Well done girls! Mrs Snow

Football training for girls in Years 3,4,5 and 6 is on Mondays 2.45-3.45pm with Mrs Snow.

There will be football training for boys in Year 3,4,5 and 6 on Wednesdays from 2.45-3.45pm starting the 27th September with Mr Givens.

### Sickness/Absence

If your child is not well enough to attend school, please ensure you let the school know by telephone 01983 740285 or email: [office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk](mailto:office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk) by 8:55am on the first day of absence.

When your child is well enough to return to school, please provide a note or email explaining the absence. If we do not receive this within 3 days of your child returning to school, the absence will be marked as UNAUTHORISED.

For more information please see our attendance policy on our school website [www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk](http://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk)