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#### Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have continued to think about our learning behaviours, the focus has been on resourcefulness. The children have been encouraged to face up to challenges and try different ways of overcoming difficulty. I would like to say well done to all of the children; they have been very positive, eager and enthusiastic about their learning.

I would like to congratulate Year 4 (Cherry Class) on their excellent attendance this week. Despite all of the various winter illnesses that are affecting people, they achieved 100% attendance. Good school attendance has a positive impact on the attitude that the children have towards their learning. Missing school on a regular basis will affect the motivation, enjoyment and confidence that children have towards school.

Thank you to all of the children who have sent in their designs for the 'Be seen Be safe' cycle helmet competition; we had a fantastic number of colourful, imaginative and creative entries. Working in collaboration with Nicky Metcalf, who is going to be supporting our children next half-term with our school's 'Active Travel Project', we will be judging them and awarding prizes.

On Monday some of our Year 5 & 6 children took part in the Indoor Athletics Finals at Cowes Enterprise College. It was a great achievement for them to succeed in their heat and get through to the finals. The competition was fierce as it was against the winning schools from across the island; on this occasion they came tenth. They competed with a great sense of team spirit and sportsmanship. Well done to all of them and thank you to the parents who helped and supported them.

The final school INSET day for this year will be on Monday 23rd July 2018. This means that last day of school before the summer holidays will be Friday 20th July 2018.

Best wishes Mrs Fox

Golden Book		
Apple	Eli ~ for being a motivated learner, showing an interest in what we've been learning in class.	
Willow	Sam S ~ for being so kind and helpful to others.	
Sycamore	Connie ~ for working really hard when adding 2-digit numbers.	
Juniper	Sienna ~ for her enthusiasm in Maths this week.	
Cherry	Eloise ~ for persevering and acting positively when things are 'tricky'	
Silver Birch	Lily, Macy and Scarlett ~ for doing an amazing job of organising the class library.	
Oak	Finn ~ for having a good attitude in Maths and English this week.	

# **Collective Worship**

Dear God.

Thank you for giving us creative minds.

Please help us not to give up easily.

Help us to use our abilities, ideas and creativity to the full.

Amen

# **Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu**

Monday	Chicken Chow Mein OR Potato and courgette layer bake with sweetcorn and green beans followed by Fruit yoghurt and shortbread
Tuesday	Roast OR Cheese and pepper whirl with Roast potatoes, carrot and swede mash followed by Banana sponge.
Weds	Chicken and red pepper pizza with baked potato OR Lentil and vegetable curry with rice, roasted vegetables followed by apple and mixed berry crumble and custard.
Thursday	Beef meatballs in a tomato sauce with rice OR BBQ quorn, sweetcorn, and mixed peppers followed by Pineapple upside down cake with custard
Friday	MSC Battered fish, tomato sauce OR veggie sausage with chips, baked beans and garden peas followed by pear and ginger muffin

# Attendance %

Apple	95.42
Willow	98.61
Sycamore	98.77
Juniper	90.06
Cherry	100
Silver Birch	90.60
Oak	88.38
Whole	94.47
School	

Congratulations to Cherry class for their positive attendance this week!

## **Dates for your Diary**

# **February**

Friday 9th ~ Last day of term

Monday 19th ~ First day of term

Friday 23rd ~ SATs info session for Y2

Parents, 2.15pm

Tues 27th ~ SATs info session for Y2

### **After School Clubs**

Parents, 6pm

Mondays 2.45-3.35pm ~ French

Thursdays, finishing 8th February, 2.45-3.45pm ~ Hockey for KS2

Fridays, finishing 9th February, 2.45-3.45pm ~ Sports Skills for Reception, Years 1&2

Fridays 2.45-3.30pm ~ Homework club for KS2 on 19th, 26th of January and 2nd of February

### **Key stage 1 SATs information sessions**

Year 2 parents are welcome to attend an information session regarding the SATs in May:

Friday 23rd February at 2.15pm
Repeated on Tuesday 27th February at 6pm

## Half term Childcare

Brighstone Preschool will be open during the half term (12th-16th February)

There is a booking form attached to this weeks emailed Buzz or you can collect one from the school office. For more information please contact Preschool direct on 07707 319843

#### **Football Practice**

Girls' practice will be on Monday 2.45-3.45pm with Mrs Snow Boys' practice will be on Wednesday 2.45-3.45pm 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: of-fice@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.

#### Homework Deadline

The deadline for this half-term in **Monday 5th February.** 

#### **Athletics**

At the end of last year pupils from years 5 and 6 represented our school in an athletics competition on the Island. These pupils were: Hannah, Macy, Billy, Jago, Leo and Finn from Year 5 and Erin, Frida, Izzy, Kaitlyn, Lucy, Finley and Jack from Year 6. Ourselves and one other school qualified from our area to compete in the final. Then on Monday this week we went to Cowes Enterprise College to take part in the final. The competition was very tough but the team did brilliantly. In the end we came 10th out of 12 teams which means we are the 10th best team on the Island out of approximately 40 teams which took part. So with that in mind, we should be proud as a school.

~ Report by Finn M - Year 5

### **Development Day**

The school will be closed on **Monday 23rd of July** meaning our last school day of the academic year will be Friday the 20th of July.

## **School Money system**

Please remember we ask that payments for trips, lunches, school uniform etc can be made on www.schoolmoney.co.uk.

We do accept cash but have very little change. You may pay at the office or over the phone with a credit or debit card if you prefer. School lunches are £1.85 for children in KS2.

If you need any help using School Money or need us to re-send your password please let us know. We need your up-to-date email address and mobile number.