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Dear Parents and Carers,

'Thank you, Lord, for the beauty of your creation.' Moments of awe and wonder have been enhanced by the exceptional autumn days we have experienced this week. Thinking of Autumn turns our thoughts to Harvest time.

On Wednesday 10th October we have our Harvest Festival Celebration, this will be in church at 8.45am. Instead of a Eucharist this month, the service is a one of thanksgiving and celebration where each class will take part sharing hymns, poems, readings and prayers. In preparation for our Harvest Festival, we would like to encourage the children to bring gifts of packaged food products. These will then be donated to the Salvation Army - last year they supplied 140 Families with food hampers and on Christmas day they had 144 people in need attend their Christmas day dinner, all in all they fed over 500 people. They also provided food parcels for those who needed them on Christmas day. They need donations of packaged food in order to be able to fulfil this again and they are inviting schools to help support the project. We look forward to inviting parents to join us at the Harvest Festival.

This is an exciting weekend as we have the annual Round the Island relay race organized by the BSA. There is a lot at stake as Brighstone has won the sponsored run against Nine Acres Primary School for two consecutive years. This year will be slightly different as Team Brighstone are running clockwise starting from Isle of Wight Pearl, can they hold onto the title? They have put in a huge effort and I'm sure you will join me in wishing them a successful day. Thank you to everyone who is taking part and to those who are sponsoring the runners.

Since the start of term we have been trying to balance the level of staffing in year five and six. Unfortunately, Mrs Cohen was unable to take up her post as LSA for personal reasons. This week in the County Press there is an advert for an LSA position. If you are interested in applying, an application pack can be collected from the school office or found on our school website. Please do not hesitate to discuss the position with me, the closing date for applications is 8th October 2018.

The theme for our collective worship this term is thankfulness.

God gave you a gift of 84,600 seconds today. Have you used one to say Thank You?

Best wishes
Mrs Fox

Golden Book

Mars	Reuben ~ for having a go at independent writing.
Jupiter	Charlotte ~ for always being helpful and doing the right thing in her RWI lesson.
Venus	Felicity ~ for her expressive retelling of a story using puppets.
Saturn	Thomas ~ for being 'on fire' with his ideas when writing about The Greatest Showman
Neptune	Sonya ~ for her really good work ethic in all subjects.
Pluto	Xander ~ for his terrific writing and being Mr Wilson's newest henchman. Olivia ~ for her great problem solving in Maths.
Mercury	Finn ~ for his great dictionary work.

Collective Worship

Dear God,
We thank you for all that is good in our lives
And for everything you provide for us day by day.
Help us to be thankful, whether we are happy or sad.
Help us to know that you are with us during ordinary days, good days or bad days.
Help us to appreciate what we have and to remember to say Thank You.
Amen

Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu - New Menu

Mon	Beef meatballs in tomato sauce with rice, coleslaw, sweetcorn OR vegetable lasagna and jacket wedges, followed by eves pudding with custard
Tues	Roast turkey with roast potatoes and gravy, broccoli, cauliflower OR mixed vegetable loaf, followed by oaty peach crumble with custard
Weds	Chicken and broccoli pasta bake, peas carrots, OR quorn mince bolognaise with spaghetti, followed by pineapple loaf, yoghurt, fresh fruit
Thurs	Fish fingers, chips with baked beans, garden peas and salad bar OR Cheese and Tomato Pizza followed by yoghurt and fruit station
Fri	Spaghetti beef Bolognese, roasted mixed vegetables, OR chickpea curry with rice followed by chocolate oaty cookie with fruit yoghurt

Attendance %

Mars	100
Jupiter	96.30
Venus	100
Saturn	99.42
Neptune	94.74
Pluto	100
Mercury	98.99
Whole School	98.41

Congratulations to Years R, 2 & 5 for their positive attendance this week!

DIARY DATES

October

Tues 2nd ~ PM Year 6 @ UKSA
Weds 3rd ~ School Photographs
Thurs 4th ~ Reception Class County Press photo
Sat. 6th ~ Brighstone and District Autumn Show
Mon 8th ~ Closing date for LSA vacancy
Weds 10th ~ Harvest Festival 8.45am
Fri 19th ~ Last day of Half Term

Others:

Nativity - 18th December 6.00pm

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BSA RACE

The relay race around the Island starts at 5am tomorrow. We will send out a text mid afternoon with expected finish time for those of you who would like to cheer our runners over the finish line at Isle of Wight Pearl, Military Road.

Good Luck Team Brighstone!

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

We have a selection of second hand uniform available in school for 50p. Please ask at the office if you are looking for anything in particular.

Football Report

The Under 11 football team got their league campaign underway on Wednesday as they travelled to Yarmouth Primary School.

The match got off to a great start for our team when a Jago throw-in made its way to at the back post who slotted home for the opening goal.

The team continued to play well throughout the first half, dominating possession and creating many chances, but we were unable to find a second goal.

Just before the break, Yarmouth then attacked and grabbed an equaliser with just seconds to play before half time.

However, the team remained positive in the early stages of the second half, and were rewarded when Finn's shot was saved, but fell in the path of Oliver who smashed the ball home for a 2-1 lead.

The team continued to press for more goals, and also looked solid at the back with our defenders making some great tackles and interceptions.

Just before the final whistle, Zach then earned a penalty, which he took himself and confidently struck home to see us finish as 3-1 winners.

Squad: Zachary, Jago, Oliver, Finn, Harry, Macy, Billy, Hannah, Lily



School Photographs - Next week!

The School photographers will be in school on Wednesday the 3rd of October. If you would like a family picture, please be at school for 8am. Pictures with siblings in school will be taken throughout the day



SICKNESS AND 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 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**.

Reminders

Please be aware that persistent **lateness** (more than 8 late marks in a 6 week period) can result in a fixed penalty notice being issued. Our School day starts at 8.25am (Children should be in their classroom by 8.30am, anyone arriving after this time will be classed as late).

Medical Information Please remember to inform us if your child has any health changes (eg. If their medical diagnoses changes - no longer have an allergy, are diagnosed with a new condition).

Please ensure that all uniform and possessions brought into school are clearly **labelled** with your child's name.

Please can we ask parents not to allow children to ride **bikes/scooters** around the playground at the start and end of school as it gets very crowded and is hazardous to others. Thank you.

Music Lessons: Monday - Guitar, Tuesday - Piano, Thurs - Violin, Keyboards, Recorders, Clarinet, Friday - Brass. Please make sure children bring in their instruments.

Please make sure children have their **PE kits** with them everyday.

Situations Vacant

TEACHING ASSISTANT FIXED TERM to 31 August 2019 17.5 hours per week, 44.8 weeks Scale NJC 1c – Scale 3 (£6,775 - £7,609)

To work 5 mornings per week to support learning in Key Stage 2.
Application pack available from school office or website
office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk

Closing date: Monday 8 October, 12.00 noon Interviews: Monday 15 October