



# Volume 20, Issue 5 5th October

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our term is now well underway; it is wonderful to go around the school and see such a purposeful and hardworking atmosphere. There has been enthusiasm for learning both in and outside the classroom. Earlier this week our year 6 children had the opportunity to experience a sailing activity. They spent Tuesday afternoon at UKSA in Cowes, the conditions were mild and although the wind was quite strong, in the shelter of the river they were safe to enjoy the sailing. After splitting into groups, they worked together as a team to 'learn the ropes' onboard two J80s – they had fantastic fun and are eager to go back and have another go.

The theme for our worships this half term is Thankfulness and on Wednesday 10th October we have our Harvest Festival Celebration, this will be in church at 8.45am and we would like to invite parents to join us. The service will be 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, who were in need, attend their Christmas day dinner. They also provided food parcels for those who needed them on Christmas day. Overall they fed more than 500 people. 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.

Well done to our BSA relay team, they showed amazing stamina and determination. Both teams finished within eight minutes of each other so it really was a nail biting final section of the race, with Nine Acres winning and Brighstone taking second place. Congratulations and well done to the teams from both schools – the challenge is on for next year! Thank you very much to Lucy Brodie and the BSA team for the excellent organisation that went into it – we look forward to sharing the final total that has been raised once all of the money has been collected.

Best wishes Mrs Fox

#### Golden Book Mars Lucy ~ for using the word 'cacophony' from our story in her emergent writing. Toby ~ for excellent focus, always doing his best to complete tasks to the best of his **Jupiter** ability Wesley ~ for his fantastic African picture using the 2 paint program. **Venus** Jasmine ~ for being very polite and helpful with children and adults and for being a Saturn good friend. Jack ~ super independent work on Roman numerals. **Neptune** Pluto Darcey ~ for sorting out the classroom and being The Drama Queen. Macy ~ for showing great, kind leadership skills. Mercury

Role Model of the week~ Max (Yr5) for being such a supportive big brother.

# **Collective Worship**

Thankfulness

Praising God For Creation

Dear God.

Thank you for the beautiful world all around us, For its many wonders and all its colours, we give thanks.

Help us to care about all the wonderful things around us

And take the time to enjoy them.

Help us to preserve and protect all that is in the world So that everyone can enjoy it.

Amen

# **Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu - New Menu**

| Mon   | Chicken and red pepper pizza with jacket wedges, sweetcorn, mixed peppers, OR Five Bean chilli with rice, followed by mandarin upside down cake/ yoghurt/fresh fruit platter           |
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| Tues  | Roast chicken, stuffing with roast potatoes and gravy, savoy cabbage, sweetcorn OR vegetable wellington, followed by chocolate sponge with chocolate drizzle/yoghurt/fresh fruit salad |
| Weds  | Sausage Plait, mashed potatoes, baked beans OR quorn vegetable stir-fry and seasonal vegetables, followed by Fresh Salad Bar/Iced Orange Cake  |
| Thurs | Beef lasagne with garlic bread, broccoli, tomato salad, OR red pepper frittata with new potatoes, followed by cheese, apple and biscuits/yoghurt/fresh fruit chunks                    |
| Fri   | Battered fish with chips, baked beans, garden peas OR wholemeal cheese and tomato pizza with chips, followed by yoghurt and fruit station  |

### Attendance %

| 93.23 |
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| 89.63 |
| 100   |
| 100   |
| 100   |
| 96.11 |
| 95.99 |
| 96.62 |
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Congratulations to Years 2,3 & 4 for their positive attendance this week!

#### **DIARY DATES**

#### October

Sat. 6th Mon 8th Weds 10th Fri 19th

- ~ Brighstone and District Autumn Show
- ~ Closing date for LSA vacancy ~ Harvest Festival 8.45am
- ~ Reading Challenge Assembly
- ~ Last day of Half Term

Mon 29th ~ First day of term

#### November

Fri 30th

~ Flu immunisations

Others:

Nativity - 18th December 6.00pm Nativity - 19th December 1.15pm



# Wednesday 31st October

3-5pm

In the School Hall

Tickets must be bought in advance from the School Office

Pick 'n' mix and squash available

Everyone is then invited to the Village Shop from 5pm for the Pumpkin Carving Competition results and prize giving.

Hotdogs and Toffee Apples will be available.

#### **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

#### School Council Members

Year 1 - Caspar and Lainey Year 2 - Felicity and Sam R Year 3 - Avy and Clarita Year 4 - Aria and Sean Year 5 - Lily W and Max Year 6 - JD

#### 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 <u>lateness</u> (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).

<u>Medical Information</u> 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 <u>bikes/scooters</u> around the playground at the start and end of school as it gets very crowded and is hazardous to others. Thank you.

<u>Music Lessons:</u> 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  $\underline{\text{PE kits}}$  with them everyday.