



Dear Parents and Carers,

"Kindness is a gift everyone can afford to give."

Our first week of Advent has been really special. All of the acts of kindness have been very thought provoking and we hope that we can continue beyond this week to build in daily acts of kindness for the remainder of Advent.

The Christmas Tree Festival has also helped us to get the festive season into full swing. Yesterday, our children sang at the opening of the Christmas Tree Festival at the Methodist Church. They have worked very hard and we are really proud of them, for their commitment, enthusiasm and ability to convey the joy of the Christmas message. Thank you to Mrs Jones for all of her hard work with the children, the choir was bigger, better and more brilliant than ever. They have another opportunity to perform this afternoon at the school Christmas Fair and then next week they will be sharing their Christmas cheer with the residents of Brighstone Grange. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.

On Wednesday 12th December we have our Christingle Service; this will be in church at 8.40am all parents, family and friends are welcome to join us. We will be making Christingles with the children during the **morning** on Tuesday 11th December and would like to invite parents to come in and help the children make them immediately after drop off in the morning from **8.30am** onwards. We would be grateful if you could provide your child with an orange to make their Christingle, they will bring it home after the service. The school will provide all of the other materials that are needed. It would be helpful if the children could bring in their orange on Monday ready for the activity on Tuesday. Please do not worry if your child is not able to bring in an orange, the school will have some spare ones to make sure that everyone is included.

I look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair and at all of the events that are going to be taking place during the coming weeks.

Best wishes

Mrs Fox

Golden Book

Mars	Seren, Poppy J, Charlotte & Izzy ~ for using Fred Fingers to write independently.
Jupiter	Leigh & Arya ~ for excellent Maths, finding the difference.
Venus	Millie ~ for her super focus in all lessons, great vocabulary and perseverance.
Saturn	Avy & Clarita ~ for visiting Year 2 to talk about living in another country.
Neptune	Leo ~ for his super Maths work on fractions.
Pluto	Thomas ~ for Christmas decorating and tidying up afterwards.
Mercury	Lucas ~ for his kindness and coping well this week.

Collective Worship

Compassion - Kindness

Dear God,
Thank you that we can be kind to one another.

Thank you, God, for the kindness and love that you show us.

Amen.

Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu

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

Attendance %

Mars	98.06
Jupiter	96.19
Venus	97.80
Saturn	100
Neptune	88.89
Pluto	98.57
Mercury	98.57
Whole School	96.71

Congratulations to Year 3 for their positive attendance this week!

DIARY DATES

December

Tues 11th ~ Making Christingles 0830
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Tues 18th ~ Nativity 6pm
Weds 19th ~ Nativity 1.15pm
Thurs 20th ~ Last day of term
Fri 21st ~ Development Day - No School

July

Monday, 22nd ~ Development Day—No School
Tuesday 23rd ~ Development Day—No School

Nativity Tickets

All families are allocated two tickets for their chosen performance then if you require extra tickets please let Suzanne know and your name will be added to the waiting list. There are lots of tickets available for the Wednesday afternoon still. Waiting list is first come, first served.

Mufti Days



Save the Children
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Friday 14th Dec - Christmas Jumper day
Donations for **Save the Children UK**.

School Nativity

Performances at St. Mary's Church Brighstone

Tuesday 18th December at 6pm

Wednesday 19th December at 1.15pm

Admission is by Ticket only, please make sure you get your tickets from the office ASAP. It is a first come first served basis for the waiting list once all parents have received their 2 tickets per family.

Costumes

Reception class need: black/dark blue t-shirt and trousers/leggings/tights

Years one and two villagers and innkeepers need: black trousers/leggings/tights with a tunic top/old pillowcase with belt

Year 3 need: Christmas themed clothes

Year 4 need: plain white long sleeve top, black trousers/leggings/tights and a long piece of silver tinsel and a smaller piece of gold tinsel.

Year 5 and 6 need: bright coloured clothes with any alien accessories if you have them.

Please make sure costumes are in a named carrier bag and in School by Wednesday 12th December.

For the evening performance. Please take Children to their classroom to change into their costumes. Years 1&2 at 5.15pm and the rest of the school at 5.30pm. Children will be brought back to School after the performance to be collected from their classroom.

Communication

We are always open to receive any concerns, great ideas or feedback about anything to do with the School, please remember we have a suggestions box in the front foyer of the school so you can be anonymous if you would like.

Alternatively; you can speak to Mrs Fox in the playground most mornings, make an appointment to see her or a teacher or speak to our Family Liaison Officer - Melissa Jones.

After School Clubs - Next week

Weather permitting, all clubs will be going ahead next week except Sports club on Friday due to a football match.