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Dear Parents and Carers.

December has arrived and excitement is building. The first door on the Advent Calendar has been opened, the wreaths have been dusted off and the tree has been decorated. It was a delight to see the looks of joy and excitement on the children's faces as they came into the hall on Monday morning to find that the tree had been prepared and decorated. We would like to thank the BSA (Brighstone School Association) for arranging this and to the parents and staff that gave up their time last Friday.

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 and Mrs Aram for all of their hard work with the children, the choir was bigger, better and more brilliant than ever. This year a number of our year six children put themselves forward to sing solos – this took great courage and it was really moving to her all of them as they sang their individual parts. This was a great achievement well done to all of them.

On Wednesday 11th 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 10th December and would like to invite parents to come in to 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 hope you all have an enjoyable weekend and I look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Fair this afternoon.

Best wishes - Mrs Fox

Golden Assembly

R	Daniel ~ working really hard at forming his letters. Charlotte ~ working hard at independent writing.
1	Christopher ~ making a big improvement to his handwriting.
2	Lucy ~ for showing great perseverance when tackling some challenging Maths problems.
3/4	Erin ~ for great focus in all lessons. Joe ~ for his perseverance in Maths.
5	Gemma ~ for her perseverance in Maths. Joseph ~ for his creative writing.
6	Tobey ~ for using great expansion in writing his story.
Sports Bee	Sienna ~
Bee- Haviour	Florrie ~ for always demonstrating our School Values by being kind and helpful.

Extra ~ Mrs Snow's RWI group for their wonderful progress: Poppy J, Isobel R, Reuben, Caspar, Wilbur, Seren, Jude, Lucy W

Collective Worship

Saint Nicholas Day 6th December

Dear God,

Thank you for the story of Saint Nicholas, who brought gifts to rescue a family from poverty and unhappiness. May our Christmas gifts bring help and joy to everyone, and may we be rich in faith and love.

Amen.

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Australia	93.33
Italy	94.81
Kenya	92.81
India	97.92
Japan	93.83
Brazil	95.32
Whole	95.11
School	

Congratulations to India Class for their positive attendance this week!

DIARY DATES

December

Friday 6th - School Christmas Fair 3-6pm
Weds 11th ~ Christingle Service in Church
Friday 13th ~ Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 17th - Christmas Dinner
Tuesday 17th - Nativity, 6pm - Ticket Only
Wednesday 18th - Nativity, 1pm - Ticket Only

Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu

Monday	Pork sausage OR quorn sausage in hot dog roll with potato wedges, sweetcorn, coleslaw, followed by yoghurt station fruit platter
Tuesday	Roast Pork OR quorn roast with roast potatoes and gravy, cauliflower and broccoli, followed by apple crumble with custard.
Weds	Chilli con carne with rice OR macaroni cheese with homemade pizza bread, green beans, carrots followed by carrot and courgette cake
Thursday	BBQ chicken with noodles or sweet and sour vegetable noodes, peas, cauliflower, followed by Orange drizzle cake
Friday	Fish finger, chips and tomato sauce OR Red pepper and cheese frittata, baked beans, peas, followed by Oaty cookie

Nativity Costumes

Year 2 Characters	Provided by home, please	Provided by the school
Hosts	Own smart party clothes	
Voiceover	Own smart party clothes	
Smallest sheep	Sheep costume (school can provide this if required)	
Funky camel		Camel costume
Caesar		Roman costume
Mary		Blue dress
Joseph		Tunic
Shepherds	Tea towel	Shepherds costumes
Wise men		Wise men costumes
Star of Bethlehem		Star dress

Year	Characters	Costume
R	Stars	Black leggings, tights or trousers
Year 1	Roman soldiers or Sheep	Black long sleeved top Roman soldiers: White t-shirt (e.g. PE t-shirt) and black or navy shorts Sheep: White long-sleeved top, black tights, leggings or trousers and a colourful pair of shorts or skirt
Year 2	The children have been allocated parts following the auditions	The school is providing costumes for most of the main characters. See the reverse of this letter for further information.
Year 3/4	Angels	Black trousers/leggings Long sleeved white top Silver/gold tinsel
Year 5	Nazareth towns people	Dark jogging bottoms/leggings White or brown t-shirt/long top or a tunic made out of a pillowcase A tie for a belt
Year 6	'Flapper' danc- ing camels and Disco dancers	Brown, tan or yellow top Black trousers/leggings Beads and/or feather boa, waist-coat/braces AND Glitzy disco top, hairbands/deely boppers/sunglasses

SPORTS FIXTURES

Under 11 Girls Football - Away to Shalfleet	10/12/19
Under 11 Football - Away to Yarmouth	13/12/19

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Week Commencing Monday 9th December 2.45-3.45pm:

KS2 Tag Rugby - Monday KS2 Indoor Athletics - Wednesday Year 1&2 Sports - Thursday French - Friday (2.45-3.35pm)

Please note there is **NO FOOTBALL practice on Tuesday** due to an away match.

Have you got yours?

December is a very busy time for all, so to make things a little easier, please see below:

Available now from the School Office:

<u>Nativity Tickets</u> - Free. Please note that tickets for the Tuesday evening performance are running very low!

Raffle Tickets - £1 per strip, some amazing prizes, listed overleaf. Raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Fair next Friday.

<u>Tickets for Santa's story time</u> - 3.00-3.15pm on Friday 6th. Tickets £2, include a biscuit and a drink

<u>Squares</u> - In the office foyer, £1 per square. £50 Wightlink voucher and Amazon World Tickets.

To remember:

Orange - for Children to make Christingles, Tuesday 10th

<u>Christmas Jumpers</u> - Or Christmas theme clothes. Friday 13th of December. £1 donation to Save the Children UK.

<u>Christmas Play Costumes</u> - Please ask your child's teacher if you are unsure.

Please vote!!!

Nominations for the 2019 Isle of Wight Sports Achievement Awards are Now Open! The 46th Isle of Wight Sports Achievement Awards will take place on Thursday 2nd April 2020 at the Medina Theatre, and will be hosted by Lord Grade of Yarmouth and Lucy Morgan from Isle of Wight Radio. This event recognises outstanding achievement or service, amongst sportsmen and women of all ages and celebrates our Isle of Wight success stories.

We encourage you to please nominate worthy candidates. Putting forward a nomination is acknowledging in public, the success that a member or team has achieved, or the contribution that a volunteer or officer has made to the progress to a club. Categories are listed on the form but do please make a nomination if you think it is deserving, even if it doesn't appear to fit into one of the categories listed.

This year there are on-line nomination forms. You can submit your nomination on this link: https://www.iowsports.org/candidate-nomination-form/
Nominations for the 2019 Isle of Wight Primary & Secondary Sporting School Are Also Open!
The Primary Sporting School Award recognises the Primary School that has done the most to encourage sport at their school. Please submit a nomination showing what your school has undertaken to promote and inspire physical activity in 2019. https://www.iowsports.org/primary-school-nomination-form/

Nominations close on Friday 17th January 2020. If you experience any difficulties, or if you would like an physical copy of the nomination form please email: info@iowsports.org

