

The Buzz



Brighstone C.E.
Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an eventful and busy half term it has been! Christmas is but a distant memory, and spring is slowly making an appearance. If you get the opportunity, take a stroll through St Mary's churchyard to see the bright crocuses and snowdrops that are providing a splash of colour.

Talking about splashes of colour: you may have noticed that we painted the town red today! Everyone wore something red for a donation to Medical Detection Dogs. This is a very worthy charity that trains and provides Medical Alert Assistance Dogs. Their dogs save the lives of people with life changing conditions such as Type 1 Diabetes, PoTS, Addison's disease and severe allergies. Their colleagues, the Bio Detection Dogs, are working towards a much earlier diagnosis of multiple cancers and diseases such as Parkinson's. Thank you for all your donations; we raised an amazing £125!

We would also like to thank you for helping to raise money for our school library. Following three successful book sales, we have now raised the grand total of £111! This money is going towards buying new books for the children to read and enjoy in our newly revamped library.

This week our Year 1 and Year 2 children opened their Toy Museum to family and friends. This was a culmination of their topic 'Toys Through Time' and was an opportunity to showcase their learning. The children were fantastic museum guides, showing visitors around and explaining about the old and new toys. In preparation for the museum, they had written labels to provide further information about the toys, and the Year 2 children had even created a class information book about toys. The Year 2 children have also written their own Mr Men and Little Miss stories, which they were keen to share. I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and grandparents for supporting their children with this topic, visiting the museum and even providing some of the exhibits!

Delicious cooking smells wafted down the corridor this week as Years 3 and 4 created some more masterpieces in their kitchen. They have been on a virtual trip around the world this half term, cooking a range of recipes from the different continents, including chicken curry from Asia, fajitas from South America and pizzas from Europe. Masterchef, watch out!

The Isle of Wight Sports Achievement Awards ceremony takes place each spring and this event honours those young and old who have made an outstanding contribution to sport on the Isle of Wight. It is very exciting that Mr Goldsmith and Brighstone Primary School, as well as the Brighstone Basketball Team, have been nominated for awards. Well done and good luck!

It was with a sad heart that we said goodbye to Reverend Clive Todd on Wednesday, as he is leaving for pastures new at the end of this month. We have all really benefited from his links with the school (as a school governor as well as leading church worship and Eucharist), and we will all miss his energy and enthusiasm! We all wish him the very best for his new job. We also had to say "see you later" to Mrs Lincoln who is taking a step back from her role as Senco but we will still see her around the school on a voluntary basis as she has kindly offered to help the year 6 children with their SATs. We would like to welcome Mrs Bowen who will take on the role of Senco for the remainder of the school year.

I hope that you all have a restful and enjoyable half term.
Mrs Lennon

Collective Worship

Lord Jesus,
When I feel worried about facing a new challenge, help me to persevere.
When the going gets tough, help me to persevere.
When I feel like giving up, help me to persevere.
Amen.

Attendance %

Australia	98.67
Italy	100
Kenya	90.59
India	94.71
Japan	98.42
Brazil	91.58
Whole School	95.38

Congratulations to Italy class for their positive attendance this week!

DIARY DATES

February

Fri 14th ~ Last day of half-term.

Mon 24th ~ First day of half-term.

March

4th ~ Reception at Briddlesford Farm

After School Clubs

Subscription texts will be sent out on Monday 24th February. All clubs are charged at £8 for the half term. Clubs run from 2.45-3.45pm unless otherwise stated. Please make a note of dates.

Archery - Mon 9/3 16/3 23/3 & Tues 31/3 - Fully subscribed; waiting list from last half term.

Handball for years 3,4,5&6 - Tues 3/3 10/3 17/3 24/3

Football for years R,1 &2 - Weds 26/2 4/3 11/3 18/3

Sporty Maths for years 5&6, 2.45-4.15pm
- Thurs 12/3 19/3 26/3 2/4

Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu

Monday	Cheese and tomato pizza with wedges OR chickpea curry with rice, sweetcorn, coleslaw followed by Yoghurt and fruit station
Tuesday	Roast chicken OR Quorn, with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy, carrots, green beans, followed by syrup sponge with custard, or yoghurt/fresh fruit
Wednesday	Sausage roll with mashed potatoes, OR vegan sausage roll, baked beans followed by apple, cheese and crackers, yoghurt/fresh fruit
Thursday	Lasagne OR tomato and vegetable pasta with garlic bread, sweetcorn, broccoli followed by oaty pear crumble and custard, yoghurt/fresh fruit
Friday	Fish fingers with chips, OR homemade veggie sausage and tomato sauce, baked beans, garden peas, followed by pineapple cake, yoghurt/fresh fruit

Brave competition winners

Well done and thank you to all children who entered the competition. Money has been donated to Place2Be for every entry. The winners are:

Freddie C - Reception

Poppy J - year 1

Mya - Year 3

Elin - Year 4

Gemma and Aria - Year 5

Oliver - Year 6

May Bank Holiday

Please note that the May bank holiday is on Friday 8th and not Monday 4th as advertised in some diaries and calendars.

Development Days

The school will be closed on 23rd and 24th July, meaning the last day of this academic year will be Wednesday 23rd July, 2020.



Homework Heroes

Year 1

Ila, Tommy, Iris, Emily, Seren, Freddie, Christopher, Reuben,
Poppy L, Reuben, Charlotte, Izzy, Lucy.

Year 2

Lyra, Max B, Max c, Leigh, Jared, Arya, Tommy, Charlie, To-
by, Nico, Lainey, Devon

Year 3/4

Wesley, Amelia, Max, Felicity, Alfie L, Erin, Sam S, Jack,
Daisy, Charlie, Thomas, William, Avy, Connie, Charlotte,
Tobias, Katherine

Year 5

Katelyn, Ettienne, Lily R, Joseph, Ava, Olivia J, Sonya, Tilly,
Gemma

Year 6

Tobey, Thomas Ruby, Eloise, Lily J, Evie, Olivia, Darcey, Max,
Harry, Sydney, Florrie



World Book day, children can dress up as their
favourite book character!

Active Travel Week—9th to 13th March 2020

***Pupils, parents and staff are invited to participate in the island wide
challenge.***

***How will you travel to school?
Join in to win some fantastic prizes.***