



Welcome back after the half term. I hope that everyone had a fun and restful break, despite the strong winds and rain.

This week sees the start of Lent, a very important period in the Christian calendar. However, as we all know, a special day takes place before Lent begins - Shrove Tuesday, otherwise known as Pancake Day! During CW on Tuesday morning the whole school gathered on the playground to take part in pancake relay races in their hive teams. The children showed great teamwork, encouraging their teammates to keep going, and helping them out when needed, amongst lots of cheering and celebrating. Well done to everyone. I think the seagulls and other birds enjoyed the aftermath - they had a very tasty breakfast with all the bits of pancakes left on the playground!

Following Shrove Tuesday, we had an Ash Wednesday service in church, led by Reverend Linda Porter and Reverend Linda Bushell. Children and adults chose to receive a blessing or an ash cross on our foreheads, and we all learnt about why this happens, and the importance of this Christian event leading up to Easter. Thank you to Linda and Linda for an interesting, thoughtful and fun service.

Next week brings World Book Day on Thursday 5th March. Our chosen theme is 'Stories From Around The World', linked to the fact that our class names are different countries this year, and throughout the day the children will be in their hive teams and class groups taking part in a range of activities. Once again, there will be the opportunity to dress up as a book character for the day, although this doesn't need to link to the theme. Part of the morning will also include the opportunity for children to listen to chosen stories read by different members of staff, as well as taking part in quiz questions that will be placed in different locations around the school. Can you spot them all?!

I hope that everyone has a fantastic weekend, Mrs Lennon

Golden Assembly

R	Violet ~ for being brave.
1	Grover ~ for fantastic independent writing.
2	Max ~ for settling in so well to Kenya clas
3/4	Alfie L & William ~ for always working so hard and working collaboratively on their division this week. Jessica ~ for settling in to India class so well.
5	Katelyn ~ for the effort put in to the content and presentation of her " how things really work"
6	Thomas ~ for his problem solving, Lily W ~ for being super polite
Sports Bee	Austin ~ for showing great passion during the diving catching in PE
Bee-Haviour	Izzy, Max F and Alfie L ~ for showing good bee-haviour!

Dear God,
Please help us to persevere, to have
resilience and to keep going when
things get tough.
Please help us to support each other
to keep going when we find things
difficult.
Amen.

Attendance %

Australia	97.04
Italy	98.52
Kenya	96.88
India	99.36
Japan	96.49
Brazil	98.83
Whole School	98.06

Congratulations to India for
their positive
attendance this week!

DIARY DATES

March

4th	~ Reception at Briddlesford Farm
5th	~ World book day, Quiz night
10th	~ Parent consultations all years
12th	~ Parent consultations Years 3, 4 & 5

After School Clubs

Subscription texts will be sent out on Monday 24th February. 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 10/3 17/3 24/3

Football for years R,1 & 2 - Weds **4/3** 18/3 25/3

Sporty Maths for years 5&6, 2.45-4.15pm

- Thurs 12/3 19/3 26/3 2/4

MaP for Years 1-6 - Fridays 28/02 **6/3** 13/3 20/3 27/3

Years 5 & 6 Variety Show

Children in years 5 & 6 who would like to take part in the upcoming variety show are invited to an after school club with Mr Wilson on Wednesdays starting next week 4th March 2.45-3.45pm

Heather's Healthy Hearty Menu

Mon	Chicken curry with 50/50 rice OR Cheese whirl with new potatoes, sweetcorn, cabbage followed by yoghurt and fruit station
Tues	Roast turkey, roast potatoes and gravy, OR Quorn roast fillet, carrots, green beans followed by chocolate cake and chocolate drizzle, yoghurt/fresh fruit
Wed	Macaroni cheese with garlic bread OR vegetable hotpot, sweetcorn, broccoli followed by apple flapjack, yoghurt/fresh fruit
Thurs	All day breakfast OR Linda McCartney sausages, followed by Apple, cheese and crackers, yoghurt/fresh fruit
Fri	Fish fingers with chips OR cheese and tomato quiche, baked beans and peas followed by orange and lemon shortbread, yoghurt/fruit.

Resilience

Our learning behaviour focus for this half term is resilience. Staff have taken part in discussions about how we can help children develop resilience in a range of situations, and the children will be given the opportunity to consider how they can build their resilience. Here are some ideas. These can be applied across different aspects of academic (e.g. learning in lessons), social situations (e.g. friendships and falling out), and basic life skills (e.g. zipping up coats, fastening shoes, etc...):

*Help them to problem-solve and make decisions for themselves.

*Give them challenging problems that require them to 'stick at it'. These might include some element of failure and rethinking along the way.

*Build self-confidence by praising and encouraging them.

*Encourage children to celebrate mistakes and learn from them.

*Don't step in to help too quickly - encourage them to have a go and try different ways.

How do you help your child/ren build their resilience? Do you have any ideas that you would like to share? If so, let the office know and we will share them in the Buzz!

World Book day

Children can dress up as their favourite book character!



Parent Consultations

If you would like to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher or our new SENCo Mrs Clare Bowen, please speak to Suzanne or Melissa in the office to do this.
Appointments are 10 minute slots and can be booked from Monday morning.

Tuesday 10th March from 3-6pm for all teachers and SENCo
Thursday 12th March from 3-5pm for years 3,4, 5

Coronavirus

If you are at all concerned about the spread of coronavirus please see up to date guidance from the NHS:

www.nhs.uk/coronavirus

How to avoid catching or spreading germs

There are things you can do to help stop viruses like coronavirus spreading.

Do

- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
 - put used tissues in the bin immediately
 - wash your hands with soap and water often – use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell

Don't

- touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

Smart? Intelligent?
Or Just Plain Brainy?



Come to our
Quiz Night

Quiz Night is on Thursday 5th March 2020

in Brighstone Primary School's Hall

From 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

(On World Book Day – hint, hint)

The cost is £5.00 per team. The team can have a maximum of four adults and as many children as you want. Some of the rounds will be specifically designed for the younger people. Please call the office at 01983 740285 to book your team.



There will be a CASH Prize!

Proceeds will go toward the Year 6 end of year activities.

