



12th June, 2020

Learning and Achieving through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents and carers,

Some of you may have watched the Oak National Academy assembly yesterday, in which the Duchess of Cambridge talked about the importance of wellbeing and kindness; see the following link:

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/assemblies/kindness>

During these difficult and uncertain times, it is normal to experience a range of emotions, including frustration, loneliness, sadness, anger, as well as some positive emotions, such as joy when you see your friends again, or happiness when you have a Zoom call with a family member. It is important to look after your own wellbeing, and one way to do this is by showing kindness to others. Therefore, as a school we are having the focus 'spread a little happiness through kindness'. We would like to hear about your acts of kindness that make you and others feel good. Some of these might include:

- Sending a card to someone you haven't seen for a while
- Picking up litter when out walking
- Helping with the tidying up at home and donate unwanted items to charity
- Smiling at each other!
- Giving someone a compliment
- Paint a picture for a neighbour
- Make a bird feeder
- Donate to a foodbank
- Paint rocks and hide them for others to find

Please let us know some of your little acts of kindness - we would love to share them with others on our Facebook page!

On the subject of Facebook, please do keep popping on there to look at updates from school, the wider community, and nationally. It is an open page, so you can visit it even if you don't have an account with Facebook.

School reopening updates

We know that there is a lot of uncertainty about the reopening of schools, either for the remainder of the summer term for some more year groups, or in September for all year groups, and as soon as we know more information we will let you know and ensure you are informed every step of the way.

Summer Reading Challenge

Please do sign up for this year's summer reading challenge! This year, the theme is The Silly Squad, and you are encouraged to read as many books as possible over the summer holidays (as well as at other times, of course!). Please let us know (via text or email) if you are going to sign up. Let's see if we can beat last year's total of 25 children.

Have a great weekend,
Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team



<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Reports and parental consultations

You will still receive a written report about your child's learning this year, which will be based on the progress that they made up to Friday 20th March when schools closed due to Covid-19. There will also be the opportunity to speak with your child's teacher via a telephone call, and more information will follow about this in the next couple of weeks.

DfE COVID-19 (Coronavirus) helpline

The Department for Education has launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education.

Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email:

DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday) For the latest updates visit: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Parent Survey

Following the information in the Buzz last week, here is the parent/carer survey for you to complete if you wish. As a school, we welcome and value the feedback, views and thoughts of all stakeholders (parents, staff, children and governors) as we feel that this is a crucial part of the process for celebrating successes and identifying improvements to be made.

Online survey: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/761G4U/>
If you would like to give your feedback, please do so before Monday 22nd June.

Parking

We would like to thank all of you for following our one-way system for drop-off and collection. I know that most of you are managing to park in Warnes Lane car park, which is the most convenient place for you. If you do need to park in New Road for any reason, the Parish Council have asked us to make you aware of the potential bottleneck near the bend in the road and to be careful around this area.

Learning Awards

W/c 8th June

Leigh R, Jared A, Seren F, Freddie H, Ila B, Daisy A, Clarita H, Felicity H, Erin M, Katherine B, Freddie K, Kaiden R-W, Martha P, Alfie L, Izzy R, Charlotte R, Poppy L, Allina C, Anna D

W/c 15th June

Jasmine N-C, Thomas D, Alfie F, Lillian M, Violet E, Poppy J, Iris C, Max B

Keep up the good work everyone!

Menu W/C 29/06

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sausage Roll / Mexican Veggie Roll with Wedges	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Fishfingers / Fish with Chips
Fried Jacket Potato	Fried Jacket Potato	Fried Jacket Potato	Fried Jacket Potato	Fried Jacket Potato
Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables
Lemon & Orange Shortbread	Fruit Crumble with Custard	Fruit and Ice Cream	Fruit Sponge Cake	Oaty Cookie

Please note:

Our last day of the summer term (as it stands)
Wednesday 22nd July

Dear God, If I can not be brilliant, let me be kind. If I can not change the world, let me inspire just one other to do so. If I can not give away riches, let me be loving. Let me be known for kindness, for it is the greatest glory.

~Amen

