





3rd July 2020

Learning and Achieving through Love, Courage and Respect

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful to see more Y6 children back into school on Monday this week, and then we welcomed back some Y5 children on Wednesday. It was clear that they were very excited to be back, and we were very pleased to see them again! They have settled back into the routines really well, and it is lovely to hear the chatter and see them all working and playing with their friends. Yesterday, we were pleased to hear the government announce that schools will fully reopen again in September. We are now putting into place preparations for this ready for the new academic year, including an amendment of the current risk assessments to ensure that the stringent health and safety measures will be in line with the updated guidelines and regulations. We will inform you of these arrangements in the next couple of weeks.

Effective transition between year groups and settings, is really important, and some aspects of this are already in place. Other ideas are currently being discussed (such as how your child can meet their new class teacher), and we will share these with you as soon as possible.

You will have received a letter today (via email) informing you of your child's class teacher next year, and below in the Buzz you will see our new class names. We have chosen inspirational local sailors, as their endeavours and ventures link well with our school values of Love, Courage and Respect, as well as the range of learning behaviours and attitudes that we aspire to and encourage in school. These sailors are: Ben Ainsley, Natasha Lambert, Shirley Robertson, Ellen Macarthur and Seb Clover. Your challenge over the summer holidays is to find out more information about these people and present your findings when we return in September. You could present the information in a range of ways, including: posters, leaflets, stories, pictures, PowerPoints, diary entries, descriptions, and more!

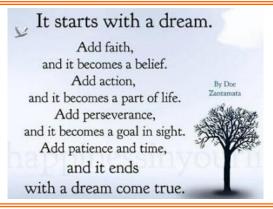
In the staffing letter, we also detailed the changes of staff. We will want to say a special goodbye to those who are moving on, and further details about leaving gifts will follow.

At Brighstone, we value parents' and carers' feedback, and we would like to thank those of you who completed our parent survey a couple of weeks ago. We had lots of positive feedback and comments, as well as some very good ideas that we have already started to consider. We will share the results of this survey next week. I would also like to thank those of you who responded to our parent consultation about our new PSHE, Relationships and Sex Education policy. This is now ready for approval from the governors and the Diocese, ready to be put in place for the new academic year.

We would like to wish you a fun and relaxing weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

With best wishes,

Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team



Class Names

The chosen category for class names this year is famous IOW sailors. The class names will be their surnames. The themes and learning behaviours relating to these sailors, which we can then refer to in class, are:

- Resilience
- Perseverance
- Determination
- Courage
- Respect
- Love
- Motivation
- Inspiration
- Aspiration
- Patience
- Independence
- Collaboration
- and more!!

Year R/1 - Ainsley

Year 1/2 - Lambert

Year 3/4 - Robertson

Year 5 - MacArthur

Year 6 - Clover

Over the summer holidays, maybe you could find out more about your class name sailor.

Reports and parental consultations

You will receive your child's end-of-year reports on Monday 6th July.

Due to social distancing measures, the usual parents evenings won't be able to take place. However, there will be the opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher on the telephone during the week beginning Monday 13th July, and further information about this will be sent with the reports.

Young Minds

Tips, advice and where to get support for your child's mental health during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. This is a really useful website:

https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/supportingyour-child-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/



https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/

Make sure you check out the Brighstone Library Facebook page for more information about this.

Menu W/C 06/07				
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sausage Roll / Mexican Vegan Roll with Wedges	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Roast Chicken, Roast Patatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Fishfingers / Fish with Chips
Filled Jacket Potato	Filled Jacket Potato	Filled Jacket Potato	Filled Jacket Potato	Filled Jacket Potato
Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetables	Selection of vegetable
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

First Day of New Academic year will be Thursday 3rd September

Dear God,

Thank you that you always listen

Thank you that you are never asleep

But that we can talk to you

At any time of the day and night.

Help us to be good friends and to listen to each other.

Amen



"Brighstolympics"

As we are unable to run our annual Sports Day this year, we are going to be running a 'Brighstolympics' event towards the end of the Summer term. Each of our 'bubbles' in school will have their own day where they will take part in activities such as Speedbounce, Standing Long Jump and running races.

The children out of school will also be set activities and challenges through our Home Learning Page, giving them the opportunity to join in and win Hive Points for their house teams as well.

Each bubble are also going to be making Olympic torches and flags for each country so that the children can perform an Opening Ceremony before they take part in their events, as well as a competition for all pupils to design a poster for the event focusing on the Olympic values.



Relationships and Sex Education

Usually, the children take part in age-appropriate lessons in the summer term about relationships, families, their bodies, puberty and so on. However, due to the fact that some children are still being home schooled, we are postponing these until the autumn term. Year 6 children will take part in their lessons before the end of the summer term, and Y6 parents will receive a letter detailing more information about this.