

Dear parents, carers and children,

I hope everyone had a restful **half term break**, despite the restrictions and the weather. Everyone has been working so hard over the past few weeks that a chance to pause and recharge was well-needed and well-deserved. One of the best parts of my job is standing at the gate welcoming all the children every morning with their bright, cheerful smiles. Now that we have had confirmation of schools reopening to all children from 8th March, I am looking forward to seeing everyone back with their sunny smiles and enthusiasm—I know that the children are eager to see all their friends and teachers in person again. I hope that you all had the opportunity to read the letter/email that was sent out on Monday 22nd about the reopening of schools. As stated in that correspondence, further information will follow next week, regarding logistics and practical arrangements.

Over the past few weeks, people have shown resilience, flexibility, perseverance, courage and a range of other values and learning behaviours when tackling the many changes that have taken place. There will be a big focus on these when all children return, along with the learning behaviours of collaboration and independence. To help your children get used to the change of being back in school again, it might be beneficial to restart some of the routines again; for example, getting them up at the usual time for a school day. You may also want to see if their uniform still fits! We have new and second-hand uniform available to

purchase if needed.

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This year, we will be celebrating **World Book Day** on **Friday 12th March (**rather than the national date of Thursday 4th March). This is so we can celebrate it together when all the children are back. We have chosen the theme 'Everyday Heroes' because everyone is a hero in their own unique way, and this has been especially so over the past year of the pandemic. In return for a donation,

children are invited to come **dressed up as an everyday hero** from a book; this might be a character who has shown bravery and courage, resilience, overcome a hurdle, and so on. It might be from a book about people who help us. It might be a story about mums or dads. It might be a book about a real person or a fictional character. It might be an historical person or a living person. The choice is yours! Throughout the day, the children will be taking part in a range of activities about these books, including thinking about what qualities and actions make these people a hero. Children are also invited to bring in some of their books that they would like to swap. Please bring these in before Wednesday 10th to allow time to quarantine them before Friday 12th. See the flyer in this Buzz for more information.

What's your secret superpower? On **Friday 19th March** we will be celebrating **Red Nose Day**. The theme for this day is Superpowers! In return for a donation, children are invited to come dressed up as a superhero; this could be a well-known superhero or one they have made up. Bring out your inner 'Helps-Everyone Girl' or 'Resilience Boy', 'Mr Amazing' or 'Super Giggles Girl'. (You could even wear the same costume for both of these days...) Throughout the day, the children will be taking part in a range of activities around superpowers (class, bubble, or individual), such as the values of collaboration, courage, resilience and kindness, or practical superpowers such as epic dance moves or brilliant balancing!



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The sun is shining and the forecast is looking bright for the weekend, so I hope you get the chance to get out and about in your local area.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team



School Dinners

Children in Year R, 1 and 2 are entitled to a 'universal' free school meal everyday. Children in years 3-6 are charged at ± 2.15 per day.

W/c 1st	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza	Sausages	Roast Chicken	Spag Bol	Fish fingers
Option 2	Jacket Potato				
Dessert	Crumble	Shortbread	Ice Cream	Choc Sponge	Cookie

Poetry Corner						
Welcome to Poetry Corner! We love to enjoy and play with words, so we have added this new feature to the Buzz.						
We hope you enjoy the poems each week.						
You may wish to have a go at writing your own poems. We'd love to see them!						
Email them to school and we can put them in the Buzz.						
I have chosen this poem this week due to our very variable weather at the moment!						
	Whatever the Weather					
	Whether the weather be fine					
	Or whether the weather be not,	Solar Martine				
	Whether the weather be cold	All a constructions				
	Or whether the weather be hot,	The state of the second s				
	We'll weather the weather, Whatever the weather —					
	Whether we like it or not.					
	Traditional					

Golden Awards

Ainslie	Luna - for working so hard everyday and learning all the set 1 sounds in Read Write Inc.
Lambert	Poppy J - for always showing kindness and thinking of others. Ila - Positive attitude and thoughtful, confident contributions on zoom.
Robertson	Jack T - for fantastic Maths work. Sam & Lainey for their tremendous home learning.
Macarthur	Avy - For his brilliant home learning. Jasmine - for great effort in Maths.
Clover	Lily - for her diligence and engagement throughout her remote learning.

Well done everyone!

The last day of this half-term is Friday 26th March



Doodle Maths



Well done to Clover class who are the top Doodlers this week!

The first day of next half-term is Monday 12th April





These are known as the five steps to wellbeing. Your task for the next 7 days is to find and do something that falls into every category.

Self care is essential to ensure you can cope better with the everyday stressors life throws at you. It is not selfish, make it a priority.



THINGS YOU DON'T NEED **TO FEEL GUILTY ABOUT**



YOU

SLEEPING IN



SAYING 'NO' TO



RELIEFS

OTHERS



YOUR DREAMS AND ASPIRATIONS



SETTING

REMOVING SOMEONE FROM YOUR LIFE

SPENDING MONEY ON SOMETHING YOU WANT

BREAK FROM BOUNDARIES AND SOCIAL MEDIA STICKING TO THEM

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Brighstone School Association



Surprise Mother's Day gifts will be available to buy again this year. Pre-paid gifts will come home on Friday 12th March. £2.50 each.

Order form being sent seperately. Made with PosterMvWall.co



Breakfast and afterschool club

Thank you for being patient with us due to the continuing Covid 19 pandemic.



We are now reopening Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club to children attending school.

We are able to offer spaces on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Breakfast Club opens at 7.30 am-8.25 which includes breakfast.

Booking form attached to this week's Buzz email and on website

After school from 2.45 until <u>4pm</u> only.

We will be keeping to our bubble system, booking in will be on a first come first serve basis. Please let us know if you would like to book in.

We look forward to seeing you all back again.

Class News

Ainslie and Lambert classes are here to save the day! On Monday they dressed up as superheroes, created superhero names, trained their ears to have super hearing, their eyes to have super looking and their bodies to have super moves. They all got involved and had fun - thank you to all the parents for helping to make and find costumes! It kick-started our



new topic of everyday heroes focusing on Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole.



