

The Buzz

26th March 2021



Brighstone C.E.
Primary School

Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

Well, we all made it through the spring term, and what a term it has been. From the Prime Minister's announcement on the evening of Monday 4th January, through the long period of remote education and getting to grips with Google Classroom, to the return to school for all pupils, everyone has been through a lot of new and challenging experiences. As well as this, we had a remote visit from Ofsted, and you will have seen the email and report that we published a few days ago. I would like to extend a **heartfelt thank you** to you for all your support over these past few months, and I also hope you join me in saying a big thank you to all the staff who have worked extremely hard to provide effective education and support for your children.



A huge well done, thank you and congratulations goes to all the children for all your fabulous sporting achievements. Last night the 46th Isle of Wight Sports Achievement Awards Ceremony 'virtually' took place, celebrating the sporting success stories from 2019 across the island. We are delighted to announce that we were voted as the **"Best Small School" in the "Primary Sporting School" category**. Well done to you all, and a particular well done and thank you goes to Mr Goldsmith for leading all the sports clubs and ensuring that every child in KS2 gets the opportunity to represent the school in sporting events.

Congratulations!

This week we took part in three whole school Collective Worship; one via Zoom and two outside. On Wednesday, Peter, Jack and Andy from SWAY led an **Easter worship** in which the children re-enacted Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and we reminded ourselves of the true meaning of Easter (see p7 of this Buzz). Today the children took part in the traditional **Brighstone bottle top hunt**. Usually, the whole school take part in the hunt together, but due to restrictions each bubble did it separately. However, I think they enjoyed hiding the bottle tops for the other bubbles just as much as they enjoyed finding them themselves! See photos on p8 of the Buzz). The children also enjoyed parading all the wonderful **Easter creations** that they made: Easter bonnets, Easter gardens and decorated Easter eggs. Lucy and Sarah (from the BSA) and I had the very difficult job of judging these. They were all fantastic and it was clear that many hours went into creating these. You should all be very proud of yourselves. You can see photos of the parade on p6 of the Buzz and the winning entries on the BSA Facebook page. Thank you to the BSA for organising the competition and providing the prizes. We also had a surprise visit from the **Easter bunny**. We didn't see him (he must have sneaked in while we weren't looking), but we know he has been because he left an Easter egg for each child in their classrooms!



Over the **Easter holiday**, I hope you all get the chance to rest and spend some quality time with each other; maybe going for walks in the countryside or playing in the garden. (A reminder of the current lockdown rules and roadmap is here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-spring-2021/covid-19-response-spring-2021-summary>) It will also be extremely beneficial for your child to read and/or be read to every day, and to access Times Table Rock Stars and Doodle Maths, Doodle English and Doodle Spellings so they don't lose too much learning.

I am extremely delighted to share the news that Mrs Brear is expecting another baby in August! I know you will join me in wishing her and her family huge congratulations!



Wishing you all a wonderful Easter,

Mrs Lennan and the Brighstone team

HAPPY EASTER

Easter

This week's Collective Worship focus is: Easter



What is the significance of these items? Where in the Easter story are they? What happens?



Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
1 Peter 1:3



Easter prayer

God of wonder, God of new life,
On Good Friday we remember how the friends of Jesus
Cried tears at the foot of the cross.
They were sad and quiet as he was laid in the tomb.
On Easter day we will remember how their sadness turned to joy
When Jesus rose from the dead and returned.
He brought the promise of new life and forgiveness for us all.
Help us to remember every day
The gift of your son Jesus to the world,
And always be thankful.
Amen

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 22nd	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Sausages	Roast Chicken	Chicken Curry	Fish Fingers
Option 2	Soya Bolognaise	Veggie Sausages	Veggie Wellington	Lentil Whirl	Cheese Frittata
Dessert	Sponge cake	Yoghurt and Fruit	Cheese & Crackers	Pineapple Cake	Cookie

Poetry Corner

"Happy Easter..May the renewal of life
 At Easter bring new
 Blessings of love, hope,
 Peace, good health &
 Happiness to you and
 Your loved ones..
 Embrace the renewal of life."
 —Babz



Golden Awards

Ainslie	Kendall - making really good effort and super progress with his sounds
Lambert	Daniel - for showing kindness and helping other children, Rosie - for super writing, Freddie K - for good independent writing, Christopher - for good maths.
Robertson	Molly - for her excellent French.
Macarthur	Jasmine and Avy - for great questions in R.E, Jessica - for excellent work in Science.
Clover	Leo - for excellent contributions during R.E
Sports Bee	Wilbur - for fantastic effort in cross country running 1.5 miles in 12 minutes!

Well done everyone!

The last day of this half-term is
Today!

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



Doodle Maths



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

SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health

Wellbeing Window

Have a wonderful Easter Break!

Sometimes it's the simple things that can make all the difference to our wellbeing.

During the break try, as much as possible, to stay in a routine:

- Get up
- Get dressed
- Have a healthy breakfast
- Brush teeth and Wash
- Do some exercise
- Read
- Enjoy!



Free activity spaces for children this Easter

A wide range of free activities is available this Easter for children who receive **benefits-related free school meals**.

For more information the providers should be contacted directly:

CM Sports

CM Sports is offering sports coaching and arts and crafts activities for eligible children aged five to 11 in Newport (Barton Primary and Nine Acres Primary). Bookings: 02392 987881 or visit: <http://www.cm-sports.co.uk>

Theatre Educational

Theatre Educational has a range of professional, experienced community arts tutors who will provide arts and theatre themed activity for seven to 16 years old. Visit www.theatreeducational.co.uk/haf-easter-activities.html for full details or call: 07984 170014.

Island Riding Centre

Island Riding Centre have put together sessions including lunch from 9am to 1pm and 12.30pm to 4.30pm. For ages six to 14. Bookings: Easter@islandriding.com Tel: 01983 215000

West Wight Nursery

West Wight Nursery is offering spaces for 9am to 1pm over 4 days of the Easter holidays for children under 3. Email: westwightnursery@gmail.com – Tel: 01983 754039.

YMCA

YMCA are offering places at their Daycamps throughout the Easter holidays for children aged up to 12 years old. Email: Emma. Tel: 01983 whnursery@ymca-fg.org Tel: 01983 862441 option 4

Ventnor Early Years Centre

Ventnor Early Years Centre will be providing Forest School Activities (campfire & den building), Team Games, Cooking and Creative Arts for children aged 5-10 years old. Email: ventnorcommunityearlyyears@gmail.com Tel: 01983 856868.

Safeguarding

Over the Easter Break, **keeping children safe** remains one of our top priorities.

We remain absolutely committed to keeping children safe. If you have any concerns regarding the safeguarding of children, we are still here for you so please do not hesitate to contact us:

Email our safeguarding team on: safeguarding@brighstoneprimary.org.uk

If there is an emergency and you believe a child is in immediate danger, you must call **999**.

If your concern is urgent, please contact the Hampshire MASH (Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub) line on: 0300 3000 117 childrens.services@hants.gov.uk

Out of hours contact telephone number for Children's Services Phone 0300 555 1373

If you are unsure about anything to do with a child's safety you can call the NSPCC Advice Line on [0808 800 5002](tel:08088005002)

Reminders

- ⇒ The **school gates** will be open between 8.15-8.25am and from 2.40pm. Our school day starts at **8.25am** - children should be in their classrooms ready to learn by this time. Children arriving after this time must report to the office to be marked late
- ⇒ Children should bring in their **PE kits** on a Monday and take it home on Friday
- ⇒ The correct **uniform** and school-coloured hair accessories, socks and tights should be worn. The school colours are navy, grey, white and black. Please ensure that skirts are an appropriate length.
- ⇒ Children can bring in **water** in reusable water bottles and fruit for **snack** time (Rec and KS1 receive free fruit in school). Food containing **nuts are not permitted** in school due to children with severe allergies
- ⇒ If your **child is unable to attend school**, you must let the office know by 8.40am. A note or email must be provided on their return to

News from the Classrooms



Robertson Class were looking at sorrow and salvation in their RE focus this week. As they gained a better understanding of Holy Week they were asked to produce a triptych - a picture on 3 panels. They decided on JOY when Jesus entered Jerusalem or rose from the dead; SADNESS when Jesus was crucified and HOPE for mankind when he rose on Easter Sunday. They have come up with some lovely images.

Year 5 and 6 Liquid Nitrogen Demonstration

On Monday, year 5 and 6 were able to see some very explosive chemistry in action, delivered by Wonderstruck, a science company who deliver live shows. Peter showed us some great tricks using liquid nitrogen- freezing and shattering daffodils and grapes, and also showing us how liquid oxygen can provide the fuel to burn rice krispies! The children were a great audience and asked some really thoughtful questions, and realised why they **MUST NOT TRY THIS AT HOME!**



Robertson Class Easter Multiplication Challenge

Robertson class will be coming home with some activities to support their multiplication tables learning. We are sure that you will support them in this endeavour, as it is so crucial to furthering their maths abilities. The children also have access to Times Tables Rock Stars and we have also sent a reminder of their login details. It would be great if the children returned after Easter with increased confidence here. Thank you, Mrs Denness and Mrs Johnstone

5-14 March
British
Science
Week
2021



British Science Week Innovator Competition.

Thank you to all those who entered this competition. Mr Boyle, our science governor had the pleasure of judging the entries and said this:

"We had a number of clever, imaginative and creative entries. I had to make a decision, though, and I am very happy to declare that Charlie is the winner."

Congratulations, Charlie, great work, you clearly put a lot of effort in, and well done to everyone involved."

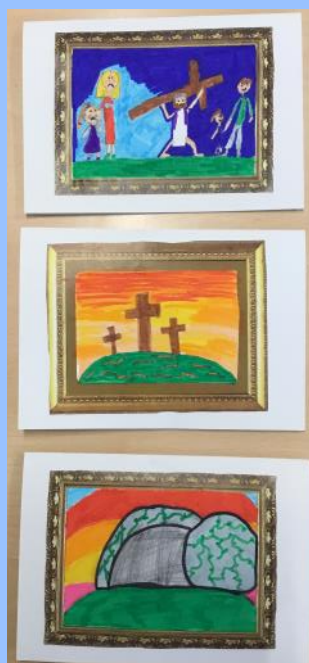
Well done Charlie in year 3, who has received his Science Encyclopedia this week.



Y6's Easter cards reflect what we have been learning about the Resurrection along with the differences between Good Friday and Easter Sunday services.

The front of the card depicts a scene from "The Stations of the Cross" a service held on Good Friday, while the inside is a contrast of the bright, joyous celebrations of Easter Sunday.

Work by Arianwen, Olivia and Sonya





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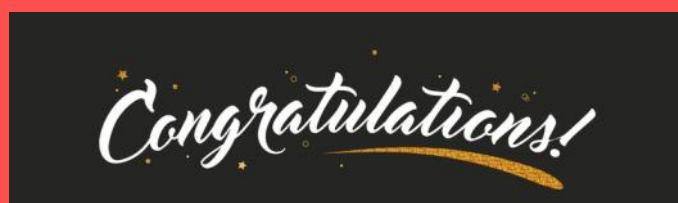
The school was nominated after the basketball team finished as West Wight Champions, Isle of Wight Runners-up, reaching the Hampshire Games finals.

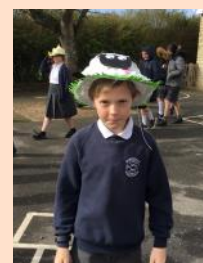
The U11 Girls football team reached their semi-finals, the U11s reached the semi-finals of their league, and the final of their cup, with the U9 Girls also reaching the final of their league.

We also finished 3rd in the West Wight cluster for Tag Rugby, with the girls finishing 5th across the island. The hockey team were third overall, the handball team fourth and the netball team sixth.

In the PEACH games, our curling team finished fourth, with the football, boccia and archery teams winning the bronze medal, and the basketball team winning the gold medal. As well as this, we hosted the 'Brighstone Blast' cricket tournament on the Rec, with the A team winning the plate and the B team reaching the quarter-finals.

Every single KS2 child represented the school in a fixture, with 95% of all children in the school attending a lunchtime or after school club in the 2018/19 year.





Easter



2021

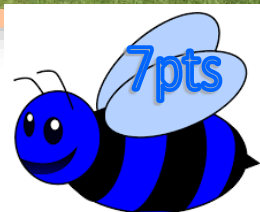


On Wednesday Andy, Peter and Jack from SWAY joined us for a whole school Easter Worship outside, sitting in our bubbles. We heard readings and prayers from some Y6 children, and took part in a re-enactment of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. We sang hymns and thought about the events throughout Holy Week leading up to Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

We would like to thank Andy, Peter and Jack for leading this Worship.



Bottle Top Hunt





South Wight Area Youth Partnership (SWAY) are planning another activity challenge for young people and friends of the charity. Following last year's fantastic success and celebrating being able to meet outside in small groups safely while restrictions are still in place, SWAY have plotted another geo-cache route based on the Easter theme.



SWAY's geo-cache course is a twist on the Easter Egg Hunt with mouth-watering prizes. From Monday 29th March to Sunday 4th April the hunt will be on for 20 Holy symbols across the South Wight and a chance to enjoy being out and about again and exploring the countryside.

With a set of instructions, grid references and cryptic clues you will be able to locate the hidden symbols, and once found, these will enable you to find the correct word in the reference. With proof of your find submitted to SWAY you can move onto the next symbol.

The team who finds all 20 symbols first will win the prize.

Last year's winning team

Interested? Then visit SWAY's website events page (www.southwightyouth.org) or contact SWAY on swayoffice1@gmail.com.

SWAY runs youth activities and supports young people and families across the South Wight and right now they continue virtually. Young people are able to come together and communicate with each other and the youth workers. 1-1 mentoring and family work also continues although it is not able to offer the full range of services at the moment.

Andy Dorning, Lead Youth Worker says, 'We all enjoyed last year's geo-cache so much that we wanted to do this again once restrictions allow. This challenge gives us the opportunity to be outside safely but keeps the sense of being all in this together whilst providing the element of competition.'

Everyone will be able to keep up with progress through the week on the website and Facebook page. SWAY invites anybody to join in the fun. For further information on the challenge and the work of SWAY go to www.southwightyouth.org



LJR COACHING

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT FUN FOOTBALL

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Year Three & Four - 6-7pm

Year Five & Six - 7-8pm

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25/03/21

Brighstone preschool are looking for a dynamic person to join our team and help to run the After-school club which is held in the preschool setting.

Experience of school aged children is preferable but not essential.

The hours would be.

2.30pm -5pm - 5 days a week. minimum wage will apply.

(the hours may vary slightly due to pick up times, but we usually have advanced warning through our booking in system)

Hours may include holiday clubs. The contract is initially for the summer term but may lead to a more permanent position.

Duties will include.

Providing children with prepared snacks and drinks.

Supervising activities indoors and out.

Playing and having fun.

Cleaning the setting at the end of each day.

Position will be subject to a suitability check (DBS)

Please apply by email or in writing to the preschool by Monday 5th April 2021

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