

The Buzz

14th May 2021



Brighstone C.E.
Primary School

Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,



This week is **Mental Health Awareness week**, and in school we have been focusing on the importance of looking after your mental health, which is just as important as looking after our physical health! On p3 of this Buzz, Melissa Jones has shared some of the activities that the children have been doing this week as part of this focus. What do you do to look after your mental health? It could be something as simple as spending time with friends and family, going for a walk in the great outdoors, doing some exercise, watching a favourite programme on the TV, reading a book, or having a relaxing bath. Just a few minutes each day may make all the difference.



Children have been **busy in school** this week. On Monday, Clover class went for a walk around the village as part of their Geography topic, Y1 are very excited to be taking part in Forest Schools again today, Lambert class have been enjoying their Maths, Robertson class have been writing about the short animated film 'Treasure' linked with the book 'The Tin Forest', Macarthur class have been writing effective descriptions of characters in 'Stormbreaker' and Ainslie class have been doing exceptionally well with their phonics learning!

As part of the government's Covid 'roadmap', the Department for Education has issued **revised Covid guidance** for schools. To reflect these updates, we have amended parts of our whole school Covid risk assessment, which can be found on the Covid page of our website: <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/covid-19/> Social distancing measures and bubbles are remaining in place; therefore, we ask you to continue to maintain social distancing (at least 2m apart) during drop-off and collection times, and to remind your children of these measures.

There is also additional guidance around the attendance at after-school clubs and wrap-around care, including for parents to minimise the use of a range of clubs in different settings. There is more information for parents and carers on the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-covid-19> If you have any questions about any of the guidance or measures in place, please do not hesitate to ask. We thank you for your continued support with this.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

With best wishes,

Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team

Guidance

**What parents and carers need to know
about early years providers, schools and
colleges during COVID-19**

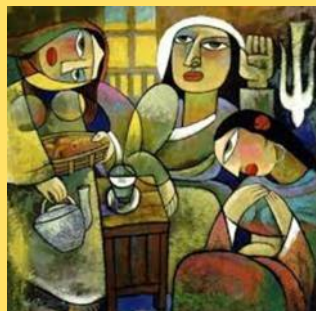
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Collective Worship: Friendship

This week's Collective Worship focus is: **Making time for each other**

We looked at his painting by He Qi, which shows the time when Jesus went to the house of a family who had shown him kindness and friendship. In this family there was a brother, Lazarus, and two sisters, Martha and Mary. Jesus talked about how it is important to find the time to spend with your friends and family, including quality peaceful time.

We noticed a dove above Mary's head and talked about why this might be. Children then drew on doves how they spend peaceful, quiet time with their friends and family.



A Prayer for Good Friendship

Let us appreciate our family and friendships.
Let us find the time in our busy lives to spend
with our friends and family.
For Jesus' sake,
Amen



"Encourage one another and build
each other up."

1 Thessalonians 5.11



How do you like to spend quality, peaceful time with your friends and family?



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.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza	Beef meatballs	Roast Gammon	Cottage Pie	Fish fingers
Option 2	Jacket Potato	Veggie hotpot	Veggie stack	Cheese pasta bake	Vegan roll
Dessert	Ice Cream	Yoghurt and Fruit	Banana Sponge	Brownie	Cookie

Poetry Corner



Golden Awards

Ainslie	Charlotte - being an enthusiastic and motivated learner. Alice - for challenging herself to have a go at different things.
Lambert	The Whole Class - for being super mathematicians and showing enthusiasm for their work.
Robertson	Felicity & Charlotte - for a fantastic rainforest animal fact file.
Macarthur	Connie - good choice of vocabulary in literacy.
Clover	Joseph - for showing courage and perseverance.
Sports Bee	James in Y5 for demonstrating superb effort and concentration during both tennis and cricket PE lessons.

The last day of this half-term is
Friday 28th May

The first day of next half-term is
Monday 7th June



Doodle



Well done to **Robertson class** again,
who are the top Doodlers this week for the third time running!

SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health



Wellbeing Window

Did you manage to get out in nature this week? If not, you still have two more days of Mental Health Awareness week left to spend that time and focus on your mental health. The hope is that you enjoy it so much that you continue to do it for the benefit of your overall wellbeing. We live in such a beautiful part of the world; get out and enjoy it!

On Tuesday our Mental Health and Wellbeing Lead Mrs Jones led Collective Worship with the main focus on Mental Health. The children learned the importance of looking after their physical and mental health and ways we can do this. The children came up with lots of 'nature' ideas like going for a walk, going to the beach, helping out with the chickens, climbing the Dragon Tree and going to the park. They also said things like eating healthy foods, drinking water, listening to music and reading a book.

Sticking with the theme of nature, Mrs Jones asked all of the children to colour in a bee in their hive colour for the new "WellBee-ing" board in the Hall. The children also added motivational words to their bees. Some children (and adults) said that they like colouring because it makes them feel calm!



Looking after your mental health on the Isle of Wight: <https://www.iwmentalhealth.co.uk/>
If you have any urgent concern or requests, contact Crisis Support on 01983 522214

5 Ways to Wellbeing



TALK & LISTEN,
BE THERE,
FEEL CONNECTED



DO WHAT YOU CAN,
ENJOY WHAT YOU DO,
MOVE YOUR MOOD



REMEMBER
THE SIMPLE
THINGS THAT
GIVE YOU JOY



EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES,
SEE OPPORTUNITIES,
SURPRISE YOURSELF



Your time,
your words,
your presence



Hampshire & Isle of Wight

FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

Please take this as a reminder to **test your smoke alarms**.

If you require further information regarding fire safety, the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service website offers wealth of information and lots of child friendly resources:

<https://www.hantsfire.gov.uk/kidzone-and-schools/>



Free Courses for Parents

As part of the “90 minutes to Family Calm” Series (fully funded through ACL)
The next workshop session is all about understanding our eight senses & how they impact our behaviour.



SENSIBLE ABOUT OUR SENSES

(Tuesday 11th May)

Anyone (over 19) can join these sessions without costs - join just one or sign up for all.

As previously, the topics focus on managing feelings and emotions and supporting us with our own and our children's self-regulation.

Enrolment with ACL is now open to join on Tuesdays either 10:00-11:30 am OR 6:00-7:30 evenings – the following two after this will be:

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| Bucket Filling for Self-Esteem | - | 18 th May (A fun perspective on how to feel good about ourselves & help our children to build self-esteem) (Primary Age) |
| Relaxing Kids | - | 25 th May (Building Confidence & Resilience through Relaxation – steps to relaxing for children) |

If you would like to join any of these 90 minute zoom sessions please ensure you book a place by e mailing info@thecrossley.co.uk before Monday 10th May at the latest!

Or book once for all

Enrolment to be completed just once for any number of sessions per academic year

I would love to see you - and hope you will find it interesting and helpful.

Penny Crossley

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Wessex Cancer Trust Events

Drive-in Cinema

Sat 5th & Sun 6th June 2021
Sandown Airport

Sat 5th June 10:00 Jurassic Park 13:30 The Greatest Showman 17:00 Dirty Dancing 20:30 Bridesmaids	 WESSEX CANCER TRUST	Sun 6th June 10:00 The Lion King (2019) 13:30 Mamma Mia! 17:00 Grease 20:30 The Hangover
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www.wessexcancer.org.uk/event/drive-in-cinema-2021/

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**RAINBOW RUN
BUBBLE FUN
2021**

40th BIRTHDAY

Sunday, 18th July
Sandown Airport

3K Fun Run • Powder Paint • Giant Inflatables • Bubble Stations

Walk, run or dance your way through the Island's happiest 3K and help us celebrate our 40th birthday!

Sign up today at
www.wessexcancer.org.uk/event/rainbow-2021

Reg Charity Number: 110216

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CAN YOU GROW THE TALLEST SUNFLOWER?

Children will be bringing home a sunflower seedling that they have sowed at school in readiness for the competition.



TALLEST SUNFLOWER COMPETITION



1st Prize - £30 Garden Centre Voucher
2nd Prize - £15 Garden Centre Voucher

closing date 30th
august 2021.

winner to be announced 3rd
september 2021.

Send your photos with
measurements to the BSA email:
brighstoneschoolassoc@gmail.com
or post photos on our Facebook
page.

BRIGHSTONE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

After School Sports Clubs

2.45-3.45pm

Mondays - Summer Sports - Years R/1/2

Tuesdays - Gymnastics - Years 5/6

Wednesdays - Football - Years 3/4

Thursdays - Football - Years R/1/2

Fridays - Football - Years 5/6



REMINDERS

- **Long hair** must be tied back to help stop the spread of head lice (girls AND boys)
- Children should wear **black school shoes**, not trainers
- **Hair accessories** should be in school colours
- **PE Kits** must be worn for PE. PE t-shirts are available from the school office for £4
- If your child will be collected by someone other than parents/carers you must **inform the school office**
- Food containing **nuts** MUST NOT be brought into school
- Your child will be marked as **late** if they arrive after 8.25am. Persistent lateness could result in a Fixed Penalty Notice
- **Face coverings** must be worn when coming into the office foyer (unless medically exempt)
- **Social distancing** must be maintained at all times and when talking to all members of staff
- Guidance regarding drinks in school <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well/water-drinks-nutrition/>

News from the classrooms

Lambert class



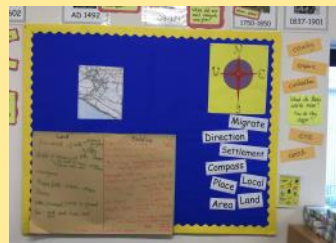
The topic for Summer 1 is 'Round and Round the Garden'. In Art, the children have been working on several skills including: texture/collage, paint blending and creating tones and texture linking to our colour wheel work last half term. They have also been working on pencil drawing skills of cross hatching, contouring and shading through observational pictures of flowers. We have made potatoes print pictures in the style of Andy Warhol and have used Vincent Van Gogh's Sunflower picture as inspiration too.



In Science the children have been planting a range of seeds and beans to see which ones grow the quickest and have been measuring them each week. They have also explored what a plant needs to survive through setting up their own experiments.

Their English work has also focused around the topic using the stimulus of Jack and the Beanstalk. The children have created character descriptions of the giant, a diary entry from Jack and their own version of the story 'Suzie and the Sunflower'. We are moving onto creating instructions on how to plant a beanstalk. The children have worked hard on exploring noun phrases, adverbs, verbs, adjectives, prepositions and editing their writing.

Clover Class



This week as part of our Geography topic studying our local area, Clover Class went out for a walk around the village looking at how the

land and buildings are used. With Mrs Snow as our knowledgeable tour guide we were really surprised by all the different uses for land that we found along with the wide range of community buildings. It was also interesting to discover that some of these have changed - both over the years and recently. Now we have to consider why!

Robertson Class



Robertson class have been learning about the Amazon rainforest. They carried out research about a chosen animal and used this to create information posters.



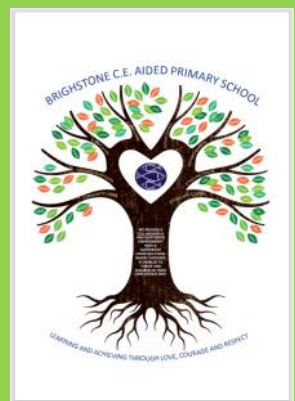
Our Vision Statement

We provide a collaborative and nurturing environment with a supportive Christian ethos where everyone is enabled to thrive and flourish in their own unique way.

As a school community, we are exploring our vision statement in more detail. Each week we will focus on a different aspect of it. So far we have focused on 'collaborative' and 'nurturing'. The children have been discussing what these mean, and what they might look like in school.

Next week we will be thinking about the phrase 'a supportive Christian ethos'. As a Church of England school, we chose to place the school Christian logo in the middle of the tree to show that the Christian element is at the 'heart' of everything we do. However, we are also a school 'for all faiths and none', where everyone is welcome and valued.

Before our worship on Tuesday, I would like children to have a think about what the phrase 'supportive Christian ethos' means to them, and what it might look like in our school community.



For more information about our vision statement, see our website: <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/our-vision-and-values/>

We're Hiring!

The following vacancies have arisen for you to join our friendly village school:

1. **CLASSROOM TEACHER** – Full-time, Permanent, Key Stage 2, Main Scale £25,714 - £36,961 from 1/9/21
2. **CLASSROOM TEACHER** – 0.69 part-time 5 mornings, Key Stage 1, Main Scale (£17,678 - £25,411) Fixed term from 1/9/21 to cover **maternity leave**
3. **CLERK TO THE GOVERNING BODY** – 250 hours, Permanent, Scale NJC points 5-6 (£2,954 – 3,013 p/a) from 1/6/21

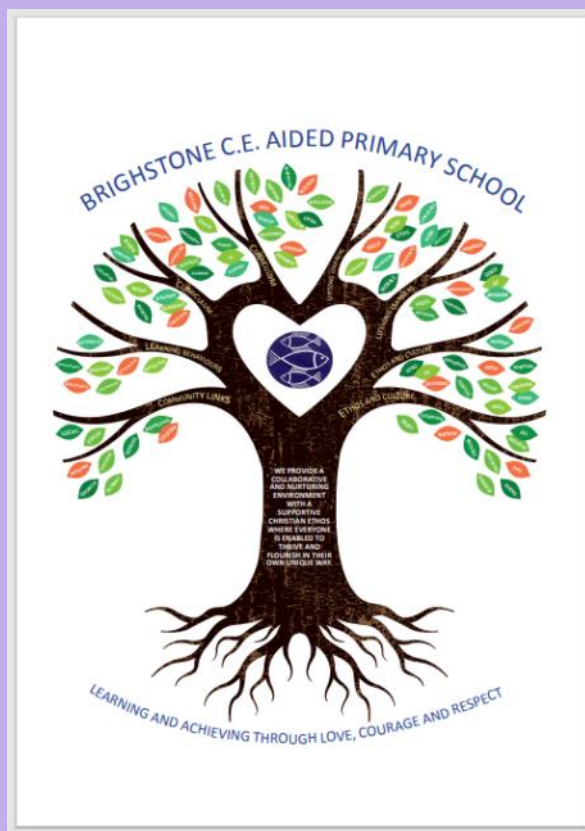
Application packs are available from office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk or from our school website <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/>

Closing Date for all posts: **Wednesday 19 May 2021, 12.00 noon**

Interviews: w/b Monday 24 May

We are committed to safeguarding the welfare of children and expect all our staff to share this commitment.

An enhanced DBS check is required for the successful applicant.



Music



Music Centre Re-Starting

The IW Music Hub Music Centre will be re-starting on Saturday 15 May at Cowes Enterprise College, 10am-12.30pm. We run a range of string groups, windbands and brass bands for players of all standards as well as a ukulele group and youth choir, and a percussion group and a jazz group for more advanced players.

If your child would like to join a group please complete the following form by Friday 7 May - <https://forms.gle/SpPbXnSwfeFv3avo8>

We will be in contact with further details of which group your child has been assigned to and the exact time of the group in the week beginning 10 May.

There is a membership fee of £35 for the term - 9 sessions.

We look forward to seeing your child on 15 May



WIGHT MUSIC TUITION ARE DELIGHTED
TO ANNOUNCE...

WE HAVE A FANTASTIC NEW VOCAL TUTOR
FOR THE SUMMER TERM

SINGING LESSONS

LEARN TO SING ROCK, METAL, POP,
FOLK, CLASSICAL, BLUES, FUNK,
THEATRE, JAZZ!

PAIRED OR INDIVIDUAL LESSONS AVAILABLE

CONTACT CAROLINE@IWMT.ORG.UK
TELEPHONE 07785 778222

OR COMPLETE OUR ONLINE APPLICATION FORM AT
WWW.IWMT.ORG.UK

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wight Music Tuition is now the service provider for Music at Brighstone Primary School. At Wight Music Tuition, we care about all children's educational needs in Music and will deliver a high quality affordable service.

WMT has now taken over the invoicing and full service. The advantage of this is that you can liaise directly with tutors and our business administrator/manager. Lesson plans/tuition videos can be sent directly to parents and any queries you may have can be answered quickly.

10x Group lessons (20mins) = £80

10x individual lessons (20mins) = £122

To sign up for music lessons please apply at www.iwmt.org.uk Lessons will continue to take place in school (as was the case before the Covid pandemic), and can start as soon as next week. On behalf of all WMT members we are looking forward to teaching in schools again.

If you would like an informal chat with Caroline, please feel free to phone or email as follows:

Caroline Hales - 07785778222 caroline@iwmt.org.uk

Best wishes

Robert Carr - WMT director