

Dear parents, carers and children,

We made it! I can't believe that the end of the year has arrived - and what a year it has been. When the sun is shining and life is looking a bit more 'normal', it is sometimes hard to believe everything that has happened with lockdowns, home learning, restrictions and more. Much of it everyone took in their stride, but I am very aware that Covid is still affecting families even now - we will spare a thought for those families.

Today, you will have received letters from myself and from Janet, the Chair of Governors, thanking each and every one of you for all your support this year. It has been a rocky road with many ups and downs, twists and turns, but, through it all, the school community (staff, parents/carers and governors) has pulled together to make sure that the pandemic didn't affect the children too much. Thank you.

This week has been packed full of fun! Monday to Wednesday saw the Y4 and Y5 children have a fantastic time on their residential trip to Kingswood in Bembridge. They experienced a wide range of activities, from paddle boarding to abseiling, climbing to zip wiring, problem solving to the 3G swing. The children showed resilience, courage, determination, team work, independence, and a huge amount of encouragement for each other. There was laughter (and the occasional tears), and through it all the children (and staff) have made many memories. Thank you to all the staff who volunteered their time to take the children, as well as to Mrs Jones who, after many negotiations and changes of dates, ensured that this trip took place. There are many photos on our Facebook page, and next week the Y4 and Y5 parents will also receive a link to a Shared Drive to see the rest of the photos.





Yesterday saw our sports day extravaganza! During the morning, the children took part in KS1 and KS2 field events, and in the afternoon they all took part in track events. Despite the heat, the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and did themselves and everyone else proud. Many photos have been put on our Facebook page, some are included in this Buzz, and a link to a Shared Drive will also be sent out to all parents next week. Many thanks to Mr Goldsmith for all the hard work that he put into organising this event.

On Thursday, Natasha Lambert, her sister and her mum visited Lambert class to talk about

their sailing voyage across the Atlantic. We heard many tales of dolphins and turtles, storms and scuba diving. They have created a wonderful book of photos for the children, and brought back Jo Jigsaw, who also had a fantastic time! Natasha and her family raised over £10,000 for charity. Well done!





Today was our Y6 Leavers' Service that took place in the church and then on the school

field. The children enjoyed showing their songs and dances (and got everyone clapping and tapping their feet to Cotton-Eye Joe), and we all 'ooh-ed' and 'ahh-ed' and 'giggled' at the photo slideshow, where many happy memories were shared. We wish the Y6 children all the very best for their time at secondary school and beyond. We will miss you!!!

We also say goodbye and thank you to: Mr Wilson, Mrs Littler, Mrs Brear (temporarily for maternity leave), Mrs Norman, Mrs Alexander and Mr Williams, and we offer a warm Brighstone welcome to: Mr Freeman, Miss Norman and Miss Grith Welcomed

Miss Goddard, Miss Hancott, Miss Newman and Miss Smith. Welcome!

We say a huge thank you to Lucy and Anna, who are stepping down from their roles as part of the BSA. These two amazing ladies have organised many fantastic events, all in the name of raising money for Brighstone to help buy resources and equipment, treats for the children, and to help supplement school trips to reduce the cost to families. Thank you!!

We hope to see as many children as possible take part in the **Summer Reading Challenge**; for more information, please click on this link: https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/



I hope you all have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you all again in September.

With very best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team



Poetry Corner









Summer is a time for fun, To jump and play in the sun!

Swimming, sandcastles, slip-and-slides, Bumper cars and thrilling rides!

> Summer is a time for fun, To eat a hotdog on a bun!

Camping and amusement parks, Bright fireworks in the dark!

Summer is a time for fun, To blow bubbles and catch each one!

Shells, sandals, and the seashore, Sprinklers, picnics, and so much more!









Sports Bee

Jasmine (Y5) & Henry (Y6) - for incredible performances on Sports Day and winning three field events





Whole school dates

2021-2022

Tuesday 31st August: Development day Wednesday 1st September: Development day Thursday 2nd September: First day back for children

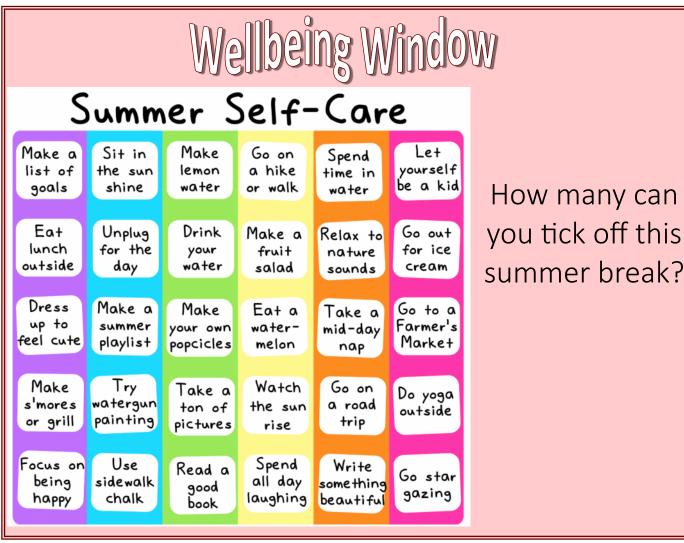


<u>Doodle</u>



Well done to all the children who have used the Doodle app!





Welcome to Isle of Wight Family Centres

Our Family Centres offer information, advice and support to families on the Isle of Wight with children aged 0-19 years. We recognise being a parent is rewarding but also brings its challenges as every child is unique. To help you understand your child and their needs we offer a range of parenting programmes and services to cover all ages and stages including online courses and workshops.

<u>https://</u> www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk/

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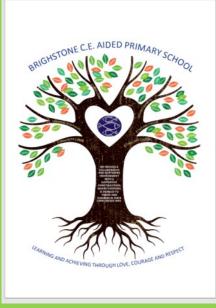


We provide a collaborative and nurturing environment with a supportive Christian ethos where everyone is enabled to thrive and flourish in their own unique way.

As a school community, we have been exploring our vision statement in more detail. Each week we have been focusing on a different aspect of it. So far we have focused on 'collaborative', 'nurturing', 'supportive Christian ethos', 'everyone', 'enabled to thrive and flourish' and 'in their own unique way'.

In the new academic year, we will be exploring all the different elements of the branches and what they look like in our school.

For more information about our vision www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/our-



statement, see our website: https://
vision-and-values/



This week's Collective Worship focus is: **Reflecting on all the worships so far this half term**

This week, classes reflected on this half term's value of Respect. Our focuses have been:

Trinity—God's never-ending love Remembering to pray for others

Valuing difference

Valuing others as we would like to be valued

Valuing special places

Valuing different opinions



Our school prayer

We thank you, God, for your unfailing and never ending love for us.

Lord Jesus, please give us the courage to be lights in the world.

Holy Spirit, please help us to have the respect to show God's love to others and the world

around us. Amen





How can you show respect to others and the environment? What actions can you do? What can you say to people?

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Matthew 7.12





Wild World Heroes!



Have a look at the children's wonderful posters showing how we can look after our environment and help to save our planet! These will be displayed in Brighstone Community Library on North Street over the coming months.











Summer holiday activities



Holiday activities

A wide range of engaging activities with a nutritious meal are on offer for all ages during the summer holidays. Free places available for children who receive benefit-related free school meals.

Places are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment. To find out more and book, visit: www.connect4communities.co.uk

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The Isle of Wight Hockey Club will run 4 summer camp days at Smallbrook Stadium, Sessions are aimed at all abilities, from new starts to those who have played before. Children attending must bring a gum shield and shin pads. Equipment provided for those that need it.

FREE SESSIONS RUN 10AM-12PM 23RD-26TH AUGUST AGES 8+

Check out the program and register your interest on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/iowhc For more information on the Isle of Wight Hockey Club, visit our main page: www.iowhc.co.uk





SUMMER ACTIVITIES



Theatre Educational is an Island based organisation delivering theatre based projects for young people on the Isle of Wight. We have DFE funding to run a summer programme at Oakfield Primary School in Ryde and Barton Primary School in Newport.

These summer schools are free for children eligible for Free School Meals, or at £15 per day.

Dates and programme as follows.

Oakfield Programme. 10:00 – 3:00 daily. 5 years – 16 years. LUNCH INCLUDED

Monday 09th - Thursday 12th August Monday 16th - Thursday 19th August Monday 23rd - Thursday 26th August

We are thrilled to present a summer school of Theatre and Carnival combined. TEd will be delivering two days of fun theatre based activities and the New Carnival Company will be delivering an exciting programme of costume making, puppet making and performance. There is also an opportunity for participants to perform in Ryde Town Centre on Thursday 26th August.

Mondays and Tuesdays will be theatre days, exploring numbers from shows such as, Little Mermaid, Mamma Mia, Aladdin, Prince of Egypt, Zombies and the Addams Family.

Wednesdays and Thursdays will be Carnival days, exploring themes such as the Key Stone Cops, Ryde Kings and Queens, Buccaneers and Cavemen.

Thursday afternoons are family sessions and parents are invited for lunch and to share the weeks work. HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES SUMMER PROGRAMME (google.com)

Dates and programme as follows.

Barton Primary School. 10:00 - 3:00 daily. 5 years - 16 years. LUNCH INCLUDED

Monday 16th – Friday 20th August Monday 23rd – Friday 27th August

We are thrilled to present a Summer School of Circus, Magic, Theatre,

Orienteering, Art and a little bit of Cycling.

Mondays - Circus and Ariel and Orienteering

Tuesdays – Magic and Fun Fitness

Wednesdays and Thursdays - Theatre Days, exploring numbers from shows such as, Little Mermaid, Mamma Mia, Aladdin, Prince of Egypt, Zombies and the

Addams Family.

Fridays - Games, Cycling, and Party Time!





WED 4th AUGUST

SEACLOSE, FAIRLEE ROAD, NEWPORT, P030 2EL

ARE YOU A PARENT/CARER FOR A CHILD WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES?

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG, MEET OTHER FAMILIES AND OUR LOCAL SEN TEAM ALONG WITH ENJOYING FREE ICE-CREAM.





Sensory Space cic

We are delighted to be working with the Isle of Wight NHS mental health charitable fund. We will be able to offer " Me Time " sessions for parent carers at Sensory Space once a month.

This is a time for parent/carers of children with a disability/ special need to have some "Me Time". A time to step away from being a carer for a short time and do something for yourself. In the calm relaxing space at Sensory Space enjoy crafts, a cuppa or just chill on a been bag and just stop for a moment ! Make new friends and reconnect with others after all the crazy Covid lockdowns!

Sessions are on Mondays alternate mornings and evenings. These are free though places do need to be booked by texting 07773570505 messaging sensory space or on our booking site https://bookwhen.com/sensoryspacecic Dates 19thJuly 10-12, 9th Aug 7-9pm, 13th Sept 10-12, 4th Oct 7-9pm, 8th Nov 10-12, 13th Dec 7-9pm.



FREE ICE-CREAM

BRING YOUR FAMILY

COME AND MEET OTHER FAMILIES

SAY HELLO TO THE IW SEN TEAM

PARENTS VOICE IW

The Isle of Wight's Parent Carer Forum parentsvoice@peoplematteriw.org 07707 601122





We will be at Ryde Beach between 10am and 2pm Every Friday morning in the holidays.

 30^{th} July – 6^{th} August – 13^{th} August – 20^{th} August – 27^{th} August

ARE YOU A PARENT / CARER?

ARE YOU A PARENT CARER OF A CHILD WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND/OR DISABILITY?

COME ALONG AND SAY HELLO, JOIN IN OUR SANDCASTLE COMPETITION OR JUST HAVE A CHAT. WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.





GREAT PRIZES

THERE WILL BE A SMALL PRIZE FOR EVERY CHILD THAT ENTERS. A f_{10} ENTERTAINER VOUCHER FOR THE WINNER OF EACH DAY AND A FAMILY TAKE-AWAY (UP TO f_{50}) FOR THE OVER ALL WINNER FROM THE 4 WEEKS. COME ALONG AND GIVE IT A GO. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BUCKET AND SPADE.

Please contact Parents Voice IW for more information. parentsvoice@peoplematteriw.org - 07707 601122



