

The Buzz

2nd July 2021



Brighstone C.E.
Primary School

Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

It is July! Where have the months gone? After what has been an unsettling and tumultuous year, we are now coming towards the end of the term where we start looking ahead to the next academic year with, hopefully, a return to normality. Today you will have received an email and letter informing you of **next year's classes, teachers and LSAs** (this letter is also available on our website: <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/letters/>). We will be saying a fond farewell to some members of staff while also welcoming new members of staff to the Brighstone team. We are all very excited about the year ahead (and sincerely hoping that there won't need to be as many Covid restrictions in place).



On Tuesday this week we welcomed Boni, from Brighstone Community Library, into school to talk about the **Summer Reading Challenge**. The theme this year is Wild World Heroes, and the children were very enthusiastic about how we can all be heroes and help to save the planet. They are taking part in a competition to design a poster of how to look after our planet. The winners will be celebrated during the library's 10th birthday celebrations on Saturday 10th July. We hope to see as many children as possible take part in the Summer Reading Challenge; for more information, please see the poster in this week's Buzz, as well as by clicking on this link: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

On Wednesday, Bubble 3 enjoyed a **Collective Worship** led by Reverend Jackie, who spoke about our weekly theme of 'valuing others as you would like to be valued'. Jackie will be visiting school at least once a month to lead Collective Worship, and we hope to be able to resume some church services in the new academic year.

Yesterday saw a very excited Robertson class returning from their trip to **Brading Roman Villa**. The children were full of fascinating facts about what they had found out, and I have been told that their behaviour was exemplary, so well done!



BRADING
ROMAN VILLA

We were all delighted to receive the news that **Mr and Mrs Aram** are now the proud parents of baby Arthur James, who was born on Wednesday. I am sure you will join me in sending huge congratulations to them both!



I hope you all have a wonderful weekend, and I look forward to seeing you all again on **Tuesday**,

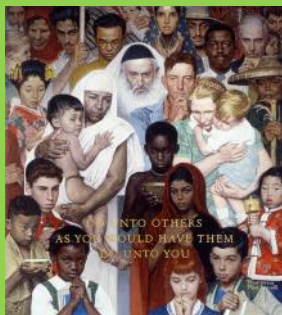
Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team

Collective Worship: Respect

This week's Collective Worship focus is: **Valuing others as we would like to be valued**

We looked at the following picture and talked about what we could see. The Golden Rule is the title of this mosaic presented to the United Nations in 1985 and now hangs in the UN Headquarters in New York. It shows a wonderful mix of people from different nations standing together with the words from Matthew 7.12. All the countries that belong to the United Nations have agreed that they will try to live by The Golden Rule in the way they treat other countries and their own citizens. These wise words were spoken by Jesus and are found in the Gospel of Matthew. Gospel means 'good news'. If everyone followed the Golden Rule in the way they lived out their lives it would be really good news for the world!

Some children acted out different scenarios and we discussed what decisions the characters could make if they were following the Golden Rule.



Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much
seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood, as to understand;
To be loved, as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive,
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
And it is in dying that we are born to Eternal
Life.



Think about how you would want to be
treated. Think about your choices when talking
to and being with others.
What could you say to them?
How do you want them to feel?



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

Matthew 7.12



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	Cookie	Yoghurt and Fruit	Banana Sponge	Brownie	Ice cream

Poetry Corner

What do you like about summer?

What can you see, hear, taste, smell and touch?



Can you make up your own poem about summer?

Share it with us and we can put it in the Buzz!

Golden Awards

Ainslie	Samuel - for reading his words and book every night.
Lambert	Iris - for her fantastic pirate poem.
Robertson	The whole class for their good behaviour on the Roman Villa Trip.
Macarthur	James - courage and tenacity during Bikeability session. Elin - Very well presented Maths book. Tobias - detailed thought bubble.
Clover	Lily - excellent learning behaviour when writing up her Titanic work.
Sports Bee	Violet - for showing great energy and passion in Rounders and Athletics.

Whole school dates

Monday 5th July: School CLOSED - Development Day

Wednesday 7th July: Reports going home

W/C Monday 12th July: Optional parent telephone consultations

Tuesday 13th July: Transition morning

Wednesday 14th—Friday 16th July: Y6 residential - Corf Camp

Monday 19th—Wednesday 21st July: Y4/5 residential - Kingswood

Thursday 22nd July—Sports Day (change of date) **See info below**

Friday 23rd July—Last day of this academic year

Doodle



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

Wellbeing Window

Change is coming!

As we approach the end of the academic year, there is a lot of change on the horizon for children. Some may find it difficult to cope and so here is some advice on how you can support your child, or indeed yourself, at this time:

TIPS FOR HELPING CHILDREN COPE WITH CHANGE

- Give advanced warning. Children are aware that they are changing classes in September and whilst this is exciting for most this can also be a worrying for some. So keep talking about the upcoming changes and explore the positives.
- Keep as much the same as possible. During any big change, try to keep as much out-of-school aspects the same, such as swimming lessons, Cubs, Scouts, etc...
- Answer all of their questions. Depending on your child's age, they may have a lot of questions. Do your best to answer them all, even if some are repeated many times.
- Expect that some regression may happen. At times of change, children may regress to earlier behaviours. For example, a child who was toilet trained may revert back to having accidents. This is normal—strive for patience.
- Be accepting of grieving. Your child may go through a process that looks a lot like grieving as they navigate new waters. Listen to them, don't be too quick to distract, and at the end, remind them of all the positives.

During times of change, a little extra attention will go a long way in helping children deal with stress. Plan an dedicated time each week where your child has your undivided attention. It is important to use play time to help a child's development. Let your child pick the activity or follow your child's lead. Extra attention and patience from you helps your child understand that although some aspects of life are changing, your love and care remains constant.

If you would like any further advice of support, please speak to our Family Liaison Officer Melissa Jones.

<https://blogs.brighthorizons.com/familyroom/back-to-school-helping-kids-cope-with-anxiety-and-stress/> lots of advice and information on helping children cope with anxiety and stress can be found by clicking the link.

Sport

Active Travel Week

We would love to see people continue to travel actively to and from school, and we have held back a number of Golden Tickets which are going to be handed out across the rest of term to people who continue to do so.

If your child finds a Golden Ticket, they need to take it to Mr Goldsmith who will transfer it for a prize!



Covid-19 and Sports Day



To help minimise the spread of the Delta variant, and to minimise the risk of people being contacted by Test and Trace and therefore having to self-isolate for 10 days, we have made the difficult decision to say that, unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend sports day this year. We sincerely apologise for any disappointment or inconvenience.

Sports day will be going ahead for the children on Thursday 22nd July

Cowes Cricket Club FREE Women's & Girls' Taster Session

Sunday 25th July 2021

**Women's Session - 1pm-2.30pm
(Girls 13+ years old & adults)**

**Girls' Session - 2.45-3.45pm
(Girls 6-13 years old)**

**Sessions held at:
IOW Community Club, Park Road, Cowes**

All abilities welcome!

**Sessions run by DBS checked
ECB Qualified Coaches**

No experience/kit required!

Bar open!

**Contact
ash@cowescricketclub.co.uk
for more information**



**COWES
CRICKET CLUB**

News from the BSA



Round the Island Relay Race

This year's race against Nine Acres Primary School will take place on **September 25th**.

If you would like to take part, please message Lucy Brodie on 07950 030318 to express your interest.



Sections from 1 mile are available. This event is one of the biggest fundraisers for the BSA. For more information please contact Lucy or speak to Melissa Jones.

A huge thank you to Lucy for offering to coordinate the race even though she will no longer be involved with the BSA in September.

A vibrant yellow poster for a 'Sizzler Raffle'. The title 'Sizzler Raffle' is written in a large, purple, cursive font at the top. Below it, in a smaller green font, is '£1 per strip'. The main text, in bold black, says 'Please return your strips with your child's name and class on by Friday 8th July.' and 'Return completed strips and money in a named envelope to the school office.' To the left, there's a small image of a 'Sleepee Teepees' logo and text: 'Remember to retain one half of each strip that you purchase.' and 'WIN a party of 4 teepees from Sleepee Teepees IDW'. To the right, it says 'Thank you for supporting the BSA' and 'Draw will take place at school on Monday 12th July 2021'. At the bottom left, it says 'Further tickets can be bought at the school office'. The background has faint tropical patterns like palm leaves and a toucan.

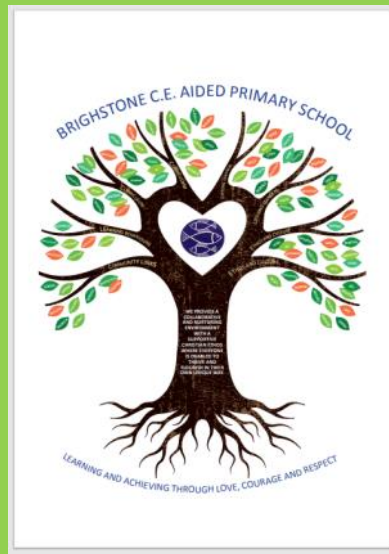
Our Vision Statement

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', 'nurturing', 'supportive Christian ethos', 'everyone' and 'enabled to thrive and flourish'.

Next week we will be exploring the phrase '**in their own unique way**'. What do you think this means?
Can you give some examples?

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



Next Wednesday, Didi and Billy Bear will be visiting school to talk about their adventures. We can't wait to hear more about them!



They have raised money for South Wight Area Youth (SWAY) - all donations still welcome!



Visit their blog to see their adventures:

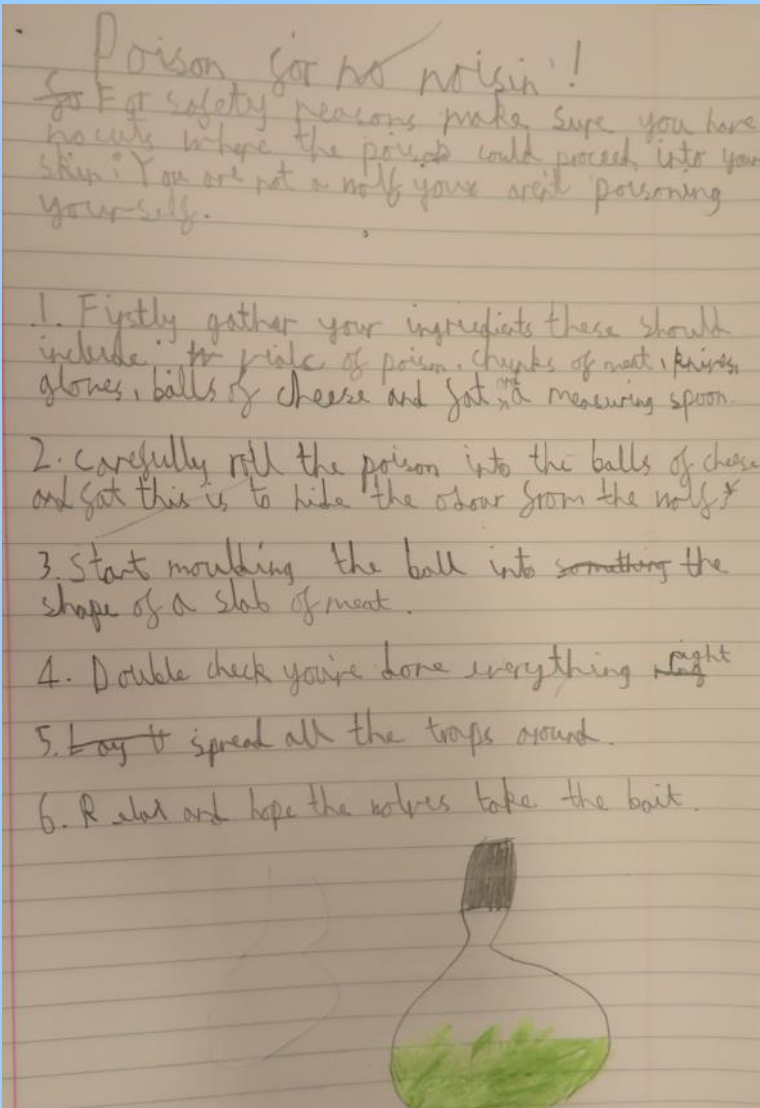
<https://www.seahorse184.com/>



Welcome back!



News from the classroom



Macarthur Class have been making playdough. We're not sure Daisy liked it!!

Above:

The children were making play dough as they were learning about measuring volume and mass and had to follow the recipe exactly (otherwise, the play dough would be too hard or too runny).

To the left:

The second is Dominic's first draft of his instructions on 'How to Poison a Wolf'.

BRADING FROM MANVILLA





Freshwater Parish Hall Fridays 1pm-3pm

Join us outside the Parish Hall on Victoria Road,
Freshwater each Friday for:

Eco Refill scheme

Wellbeing boxes

Growing boxes with herbs and strawberries

Growing boxes filled with flowers

Beautiful hand made cards

Quiz walk maps on sale with prizes to be won

The Real JunkFood Project IW

(with food available for all on a pay as you feel basis)

All welcome



Find out more: info@wwtb.org
or phone Sally on 07872 304294

action4support.co.uk

Misc. Info

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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