

The Buzz

24th September 2021



Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

Wow! A huge thank you to everyone who baked and bought cakes as part of the Macmillan Bake Sale: we raised an incredible £175! Well done to all the people who baked such delicious cakes and cookies, and thank you to everyone for making such generous donations. This money goes to the very worthy charity Macmillan Cancer Support. See our Facebook page for more photos of the delicious goodies.



Another exciting money-raising event takes place tomorrow, which sees runners from Team Brighstone and Team Nine Acres run a relay around the whole of the Isle of Wight. The race starts at 5am at IOW Pearl, and is expected to finish mid-afternoon back at the IOW Pearl. Track the runners via the BSA Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/brighstoneschoolassociation/>), read the article on Isle of Wight County Press (<https://www.countypress.co.uk/news/19594936.race-around-isle-wight-two-primary-schools/>), and listen to the interview on Isle of Wight radio! Donations can be made via the following link: <https://www.rocketfund.org/outdoor-play-equipment-2> and monies raised will go towards a new trim trail on the school field.

Last Monday, each class took part in a walk to the Dragon Tree with Reverend Jackie and Reverend Hilary. It was a wonderful day in which we enjoyed our local area. During the walk, they were encouraged to take notice of everything around them, take part in songs and listen to stories. The general theme was that 'the act of noticing is the beginning of action'. We hope that children have been inspired (even more so) to do what they can to help the planet (such as turning lights off, not wasting food, avoiding single use plastics, etc...). We were very proud of the children. They were perfect ambassadors of our school and community, showing respect to our visitors and their environment. They listened intently, transfixed by Reverend Hilary's tales, and joined in on thoughtful conversations.



This week, Mrs Johnstone's Eco-Gardening club started, with some very enthusiastic and excited children! They started tidying up the school garden, and collected all the fallen apples which will be taken to be made into apple juice. See the post on our Facebook page for details and photos. Mrs Johnstone will be leading an Eco Collective Worship on Tuesday, in which she will be launching our Eco-School Committee. Children from each class will have the opportunity to be voted onto the Committee, where they will be the voice for the children across the school in making a difference.

Today I had the pleasure of watching Miss Sztypuljak's English group perform their play The Scarecrow Who Didn't Scare. They were confident, expressive performers who even wrote their own script! You can enjoy watching the video of their play on our Facebook page.



I hope you all have a lovely weekend! Best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team

Collective Worship - Thankfulness

This week's Collective Worship focus is: **Remembering to say thank you**

In worship this week, some children took part in a short play. Their characters showed a lack of gratitude for their lunch, complaining that they didn't like what was cooked for them, or didn't like drinking the water. The rest of the school were shocked when they saw their ungrateful behaviour!

We found out about the huge numbers of children across the world who go to bed hungry each night, and about the millions of children who don't have access to fresh, clean water. We also learnt about how much food is thrown away in the UK each year.

We talked about how important it was to be grateful for what we have, to not waste food, and to remember to say thank you.



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



Think about how we can say and show our thanks for the food and water we have, and to not waste too much food.

'Always be thankful.'

1 Thessalonians 5.16



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.

Last Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza	Sausage & Mash	Roast Chicken	Beef Lasagne	Fish fingers
Option 2	Veggie Bolognese	Veggie Noodles	Vegetable Pie	Veggie Curry	Veggie Burger
Dessert	Flapjack	Shortbread	Yoghurt cake	Brownie	Ice Cream

Poetry Corner

September Light

Air
cool and dry
drifts down on a breeze
under a shade of trees.
A subtle hint of change is near.

Light
a fire in the wood
to warm the chill,
and ready yourself for the cold.
The autumn frost will soon be here.

Inhale
a deep breath
again and again,
in just the same way as before.

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Grammar and Spelling Matters

Each week we will include a mini grammar or spelling lesson so you know what your children are learning!

To	Too	Two
Preposition. Infinitive. Period of time. Receiver of something. For example: • I went to the shop. • She likes to sing. • He works from 9 to 5. • Ali gave the book to Sam.	Adverb. It means "also", "very" or "excessive". For example: • I'm studying too. • I'm too tired. • You've added too much flour.	Word form of the number 2. For example: • I have two cats. • I've been studying for two hours.

Reminders

Only plain water (no squash or flavoured water) in reusable water bottles.
Long hair must be tied back (both boys and girls), and hair must be kept away from eyes.

Only fruit provided for snacks, and healthy items in lunch boxes.
 No dogs allowed on the school grounds, unless carried.

Golden Awards

Koala	Meadow - super thinking about differences in Science. Georgia - motivated learning in all lessons.
Polar Bear	Flo - writing her own narration for our scarecrow performance and making it really exciting to listen to.
Lemur	Iris - fantastic focus and writing in English.
Chimpanzee	Alfie L - for always being so helpful and tidying around the classroom without needing to be asked.
Orangutan	Asya - for her effort and vocabulary choices when improving Geographical sentences.
Bee-Haviour	Casper H - for helping to clear the field at lunch time when play equipment was all over the field.
Sports Bee	Alfie F - for showing great determination and sportsmanship.

Whole school dates

Wednesday 6th October: Harvest Festival at 10.30am
 Tuesday 12th October: Flu vaccines
 Friday 15th October: Last day of term
 Monday 1st November: Back to school

A special mention and thank you to: all of the bakers, buyers and helpers who made the Macmillan Bake Sale such a huge success.

We raised a magnificent
£175.00 for Macmillan
 Cancer Support.



SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health

BE SMART ONLINE

S SAFE Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.

M MEET Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk

A ACCEPTING Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.

R RELIABLE You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.

T TELL Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline - 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk

BE SMART WITH A HEART Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

WWW.CHILDNET.COM

Wellbeing Window

Staying safe online

Useful links:

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

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

STAYING SAFE ONLINE

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AS A PARENT YOU CAN MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S INTERNET USE, SET PARENTAL CONTROLS, AND PREVENT CERTAIN APPS BEING DOWNLOADED IN THE FIRST PLACE.

We don't endorse any app over another and new apps or controls are in place everyday, which some net-savvy young people can get around.

THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAYS TO KEEP A CHILD SAFE ARE TO...

<p>#1</p> <p>SHOW INTEREST IN THEIR LIFE AND WHAT APPS THEY ARE USING AND HOW THEY WORK</p>	<p>#2</p> <p>MODEL RESPONSIBLE SOCIAL MEDIA BEHAVIOUR YOURSELF</p>	<p>#3</p> <p>TALK TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON ONLINE AND WHO THEY ARE TALKING TO</p>
<p>#4</p> <p>ENSURE YOU HAVE YOUR YOUNG CHILD'S PASSWORDS AND PINS FOR DEVICES AND APPS</p>	<p>#5</p> <p>LISTEN IF THEY SEEM DOWN OR CONCERNED ABOUT ANYTHING THEY HAVE SEEN OR EXPERIENCED ONLINE</p>	<p>#6</p> <p>REPORT ANY SERIOUS CONCERNS OR SEEK FURTHER HELP</p>

How to make a stand against CYBERBULLYING

STOP LOG OFF the site where the bullying is happening

BLOCK BLOCK emails or messages, do not respond to them

RECORD SAVE the messages, images or emails to show to an adult

TALK IT OUT TELL someone you trust, who can help you

Latest information and advice about parental controls and monitoring can be found on a number of websites, including:



Childnet International



National Online Safety