

# The Buzz

## 8th October 2021



Brighstone C.E.  
Primary School

Learning and Achieving Through  
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

Well, it's been another busy week here at Brighstone, and the weeks are flying by. As a child said in Golden Worship this morning, "Time flies when you're having fun", and we have had lots of fun this week.



On Wednesday, the whole school took part in our Harvest Festival celebrations. This was a really special and enjoyable occasion that took place in a local farmer's garden overlooking fields and the downs. Where better to celebrate harvest and our wonderful world than amongst nature? Everyone loved watching each class's performances: we had a Harvest Hoedown, a retelling of The Enormous Turnip, Harvest songs and corn dollies! Andy from South Wight Area Youth did a reading, and Reverend Jackie led prayers and accompanied our singing on her guitar. The



children showed huge generosity with their donations for the Foodbank. I would like to thank the staff, the owners of the land, and all the parents and grandparents who joined us for this special occasion. See our Facebook page for more photos.

Yesterday was National Poetry Day, and each class read and enjoyed a range of poems. Some even wrote their own (see p2 of the Buzz for some examples). I enjoyed reading 'The King's Breakfast' by A. A. Milne to Polar Bear class. 'Chocolate Cake' and 'The Stone Age' by Michael Rosen are also favourites. Which poems do you enjoy reading and listening to?



October is Black History Month, and we are having a focus on this in our Collective Worships next week. Each class is focusing on people from history and current times, including Marcus Rashford, Floella Benjamin and Windrush, Rosa Parks, the Obamas, Ade Adepitan, Jesse Owens and Walter Tull. We will be looking at their achievements as well as any difficulties that they faced or currently face.

Brighstone village and primary school is a fabulous community where everyone pulls together in a supportive way. We are holding a community 'Spruce Up Our School' day in half term, on Tuesday 26th October. We are asking if any staff members, parents, members of the community and governors are able to give up a bit of their time to help us with some jobs around the site. These include painting, staining, sanding, weeding and more. If you are able to help out (even if it's just for an hour or two) then please let us know by commenting on the post on Facebook or by contacting the school. Refreshments will be provided. We are also in need of resources and equipment, including paint, wood, stain and more. If you are able to donate any of these (or know of anyone who can), then please let us know. Any help will be much appreciated, thank you!



Next week, our Golden Worship will be focusing on out-of-school achievements. If your child has any awards, certificates, rosettes etc... from other organisations, then please let us know by Wednesday 13th October so we can add them to the Golden Book. We will also be handing out the medals for the Round the Island Relay Race, so any runners who took part are also welcome to join us.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend! Best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team

## Collective Worship - Thankfulness

This week's Collective Worship focus is: **Harvest—Living fruitful lives**



This week we focused on how we can live fruitful lives. We acted out the parable of The Sower and the Seed, and learnt that we can live fruitful lives if we follow the Fruit of the Spirit.

Fruit of the Spirit  
is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness & self-control  
Galatians 5: 22-23

**Fruit of the Spirit Prayer**

Lord of the Harvest

We welcome your spirit to work in our lives.  
Let your word take root so that  
Your love may grow up (*reach up*)  
Your joy may spread out (*reach out*)  
And your peace become deeper  
in us each day (*reach down*)  
Amen



Thank you to you all for all your very generous donations during our Harvest Festival. These will go to the local Foodbank.

'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.

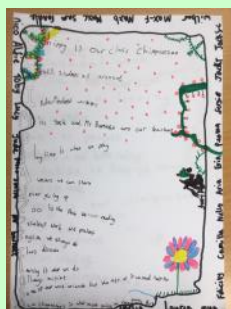
Children in years 3-6 are charged at £2.15 per day.

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Mac 'n' Cheese	Pie and Mash	Roast Gammon	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2	Veggie Burrito	BBQ Beans	Veggie Roast	Veggie Rice bake	Veggie Nuggets
Dessert	Ice cream	Brownie	Shortbread	Fruit Crumble	Cake

## Poetry Corner



Chimpanzee class have written some acrostic poems. Here are some of them for you to enjoy.



## Grammar and Spelling Matters

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

### Homophones

are words which have the same pronunciation as each other but different spellings



### 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

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| <b>Koala</b>       | Bethan - for always being helpful around the classroom and with her friends.                    |
| <b>Polar Bear</b>  | Daniel - for showing excellent focus in Maths and working hard to deepen his knowledge.         |
| <b>Lemur</b>       | Devon - for producing a fantastic piece of writing in English.                                  |
| <b>Chimpanzee</b>  | Arya - for always showing super listening in all lessons and being a fantastic role model.      |
| <b>Orangutan</b>   | Jasmine - for the support she gave her classmates when they were making corn dollies this week. |
| <b>Bee-Haviour</b> | Peyton - for taking on a challenge from Queen Bee and succeeding!                               |
| <b>Sports Bee</b>  | Tommy C - for demonstrating School Games values perfectly.                                      |

### Whole school dates

- Tuesday 12th October: Flu vaccines  
Thursday 14th October: School Photos  
Friday 15th October: BSA - Glow Disco Last day of term  
Monday 1st November: Back to school  
BSA - Pumpkin Competition

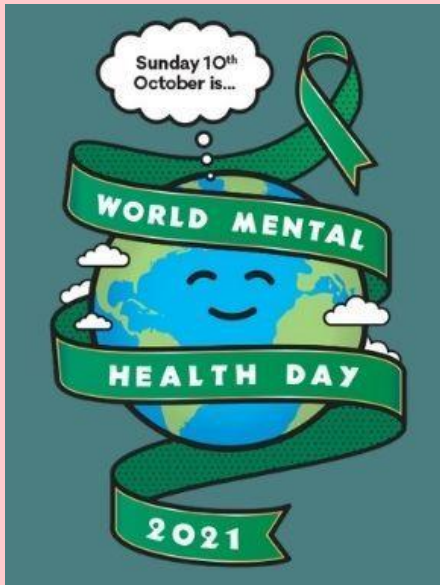
Say  
Cheese!



**THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021**

# SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health



## Wellbeing Window

Being mentally healthy doesn't just mean that you don't have a mental health problem.

If you're in good mental health, you can:

- ♦ make the most of your potential
- ♦ cope with life
- ♦ play a full part in your family, workplace, community and among friends.

Some people call mental health 'emotional health' or 'well-being' and it's just as important as good physical health.

Mental health is everyone's business. We all have times when we feel down or stressed or frightened. Most of the time those feelings pass. But sometimes they develop into a more serious problem and that could happen to any one of us.

Everyone is different. You may bounce back from a setback while someone else may feel weighed down by it for a long time.

Your mental health doesn't always stay the same. It can change as circumstances change and as you move through different stages of your life.

There's a stigma attached to mental health problems. This means that people feel uncomfortable about them and don't talk about them much. Many people don't even feel comfortable talking about their feelings. But it's healthy to know and say how you're feeling.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/>



Join in with our

### GLOW DISCO

DRINK AND  
SWEET TREAT  
PROVIDED

Friday 15th October  
in the School Hall

NEON  
FACEPAINT  
INCLUDED

KS 1  
4.45pm -  
5.30pm

£2.50 PER  
TICKET

KS 2  
5.45pm -  
6.30pm

