

The Buzz



3rd February 2023



Learning and Achieving Through Love,
Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,



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See more photos in this Buzz.



The **EARA group** (Equality And Rights Advocates) have been continuing to develop the school playground. The two friendship signs that they ordered have arrived and are ready to be put up and the new rug has been placed in the Cosy Cabin. Before it was laid down, the children swept the floor of gravel, and then some of the other children got busy sweeping the gravel off the paths in the quiet area. Thank you! We are also looking for artwork to be put up in the Cosy Cabin, so if your children have any artwork that they would like to be displayed, let me know! We are also looking for a new homemade sign to go above the door. If you are handy at woodwork and feel that you could make a sign for us, please let me know. We would really appreciate it.



Next week is **Children's Mental Health Week**. Our focus is going to be 'Let's Connect'.

Mrs Jones will be talking to the children in Collective Worship on Monday morning.

Keep an eye out for different ideas that we will be sharing. Tuesday also sees **Safer Internet Day**. Safer Internet Day is celebrated around the world in February of each year.

You can read on their website 'about practical ways in which you can get involved in the campaign, not just on Safer Internet Day but all year around. Whether you are a young person, a parent or caregiver, a teacher, educator or academic, a policymaker, or whether you represent an organisation or industry, everyone has a role to play in creating and maintaining a better online world'. We all have to do our bit to ensure that our children stay safe when online. Click on the link to find out more: [Safer Internet Day](https://saferinternetday.org.uk)



Alfie M in Y6 is our latest book reviewer as part of our Reading for Pleasure focus. On the day that Marcus Rashford has been named the Premier League's player of the month, Alfie tells us all about his book 'You are a champion'. Visit our Facebook page to watch his review! If you have any books that you recommend, we would love you to let us know.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, and I look forward to seeing you on Monday morning.



With best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team

Collective Worship - Courage

This week's Collective Worship theme is **Courage: Overcoming fear**

Adults, what are you a little scared of?



Does that fear stop you from doing anything?

Children, what are you a little scared of?



Sometimes our fears can stop us having fun or trying something new.

We might be a bit afraid but it's good to try to do it anyway, or we'd miss out on enjoying life.



We show courage.



When we don't have the courage inside us to be brave, we can ask someone to help us. We can also ask God.



A Prayer for Courage

Loving God,
Our adventurous Creator,
Give us courage to choose the path before us,
Risking disappointment to find joy,
Risking failure to be creative,
Risking rejection so that we might find love,
Risking stumbling so that we might climb,
Risking the journey for the sake of the homecoming,
We ask in the name of Jesus,
Who risked living and dying for love of us,
Amen



"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1.9

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 **£2.35** per day.

Baguettes now available on Tuesdays and Thursdays instead of JPs (ham, cheese or tuna)

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Chicken Pie	Roast Turkey	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2	Veggie Sausage	Tomato Pasta	Tomato Pasta	Veg Bolgnese	Quorn dippers
Dessert	Ice Cream	Jelly	Cookie	Apple Crumble	Shortbread

Poetry Corner

When

In February there are days,
 Blue, and nearly warm,
 When horses switch their tails and ducks
 Go quacking through the farm.
 When everything turns round to feel
 The sun upon its back—
 When winter lifts a little bit
 And spring peeks through the crack.

Dorothy Aldis



Grammar and Spelling Matters

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

Grammar: Commonly misused words

Less or fewer?

LESS

VS

FEWER

Have you ever get confused with Less vs Fewer? If you have, there's no reason to worry because these two words can cause problems for anyone. They both are opposites of "more" but aren't interchangeable, so you need to be very careful when you choose to use one or the other in a sentence.

DEFINITION	DEFINITION
LESS means "not as much". It refers to uncountable nouns.	FEWER means "not as many". It refers to countable nouns.

Examples:

"I have **less** work to do than he has."
The work can't be counted.

"I got **fewer** than ten birthday presents this year."
The presents can be counted.

Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child you can call the police on 999 if you feel they are at risk of immediate harm

Contact us: safeguarding@brighstoneprimary.org.uk

Speak with our DSL Mrs Jones in the school office

You can contact the NSPCC:

Contact the NSPCC Helpline

If you have any concerns at all about a child's safety or wellbeing, don't hesitate to contact us.

Call us or email help@nspcc.org.uk

0808 800 5000

Find out more

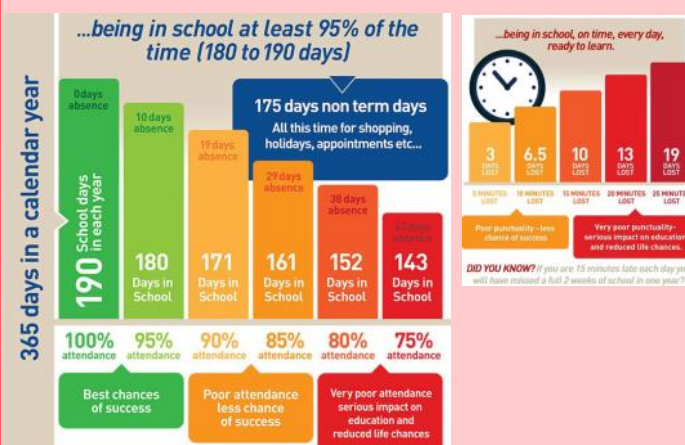
Or call children's services 0300 300 0117

Attendance Matters!

Week Commencing 30th January
 Whole School attendance target: **96.5%**

Actual Attendance: **95.71%**

Late marks this week: **8**



SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health

Free Training for Parents/Carers

Following the great success of the zoom online workshops last year, I am pleased to advise you of the next dates for the “90 Minutes to Family Calm” series of workshops as one-off’s or as a course this term.

The course is fully funded and is open to all parents and education staff.

As always, the topics focus on managing feelings and emotions & supporting us with our own and our children’s self-regulation – and is particularly relevant and helpful post-Covid!

The workshops will be available to join on Monday mornings from 09:30 to 11:00

PLEASE FEEL WELCOME TO JOIN AND TO PASS THIS ON

If you would like to join any of these 90 minute zoom sessions all you need to do in the first instance is email info@thecrossley.co.uk to express your interest, and I will send you a ‘joining’ pack with instructions on how to enrol

Brain Training for Calm – 20th February

How our brains work & how they affect our ability to achieve calm

Taming the Emotions Monster - 27th February

How to avoid & manage meltdowns through becoming an ‘Emotion Coach’

Sensible About Our Senses – 6th March

Understanding about sensory triggers & how our senses affect our behaviour.

Bucket Filling for Self-Esteem – 20th March

A fun perspective on how to feel good about ourselves & help our children to build self-esteem.

Relaxing our Kids – 27th March

Building confidence & resilience through relaxation – steps to relaxing for children.

I hope to see many of you there!

Penny Crossley MA(Ed)

Behaviour & Parenting Consultant

Licensed Thrive Practitioner & Course Leader

Relax Kids Coach

IOW PO37 7EA

Tel: 01983 861164

ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING

ALL COURSES ARE FOR ADULTS 19+

For further information or to book a place on any/all of these sessions please contact:
info@thecrossley.co.uk or phone 01983 861164

90 Minutes to Family Calm Series

Join our **FREE** (fully funded) online classes! – Join one or join them all....

	BRAIN TRAINING FOR CALM	– 20th February	
	TAMING THE EMOTIONS MONSTER	– 27th February	
	SENSIBLE ABOUT OUR SENSES	– 6th March	
		* no session 13th March	
	BUCKET FILLING FOR SELF-ESTEEM	– 20th March	
	RELAXING OUR KIDS	– 27th March	

February—March 2023
Monday mornings
9:30-11:00

Booking & enrolment required to secure a place on any or all these sessions.
*enrolment required **just once** (for any number of sessions) per academic year

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Golden Book

Bumble Bee	All of the Reception Bumble Bees for achieving their goals! Alexander - for giving up 'choosing time' to help Mrs Cousins with the tidying up after a messy art lesson.
Honey Bee	Charlotte B - for great work in Geography. Lilli, Flo and Sammy - for analysing food packaging and creating an amazing bar graph.
Ivy Bee	Jack S-C - for his cheerful and enthusiastic participation in French this week.
Sports Bee	Anna - for demonstrating the school games values in PE lessons and fixtures and showing compassion to an injured opposition player.
Bee-Haviour	Nelly - for demonstrating the school values and being kind.
Headteacher award	Jude - for ALWAYS being so courteous, thoughtful and helpful to staff members and his peers!



News from the Classrooms

Year 5 Maths Challenge

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Key dates this year

- Friday 10th February: Last day of term
- Monday 13th—Friday 17th February: Half term
- W/C 13th March: Parents Evenings (further information to follow)
- Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April: Easter holidays
- Monday 8th May – Extra Bank Holiday (due to the King’s Coronation)
- Monday 29th May—Friday 2nd June: Half term
- Thursday 20th July: School closed for staff development day
- Friday 21st July: School closed for staff development day





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1

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WIN CASH PRIZES



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- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- The easy way to help us raise funds
- Every week, one lucky winner from our school will win a cash prize!
- Also a chance to win the £25k jackpot

To start supporting, visit:

yourschoollottery.co.uk

and search for: **Brighstone School**



Attitude Youth Group: Friday, 10th February,

School Years 7 to Year 11

South Wight Area Youth (SWAY) are inviting you to join in with our next Attitude Youth Group. There are fun activities, table tennis, games and chance to meet up with friends. Marie Willis (Youth Worker), Olivia, Jacob and Peter Johnson will be there to welcome you.

Tuck is available

7pm-8:30pm at Shorwell Village Hall, Russell Road, Shorwell, PO30 3JT

No need to book. If you live in the South Wight villages, it will be great to see you there. Any questions please contact Catherine at the SWAY Office on 07880951243.

To find out more about SWAY visit : <https://www.southwightyouth.org/> or

<https://www.facebook.com/Southwightyouth>

Older siblings of Brighstone Primary School pupils (in school years from Year 7 to Year 11) who live in the South Wight villages of Chale, Brighstone and Shorwell, are also welcome and invited to join this local Attitude youth group; a welcoming, fun and safe place to meet and make friends. Currently Attitude is being held once a month





16-18 FEB 2023
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Horrible Histories' and Ghosts' Simon Farnaby



TICKETS
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DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

I.W. STORY FESTIVAL
 DON'T MISS THIS FUN FAMILY FESTIVAL
 DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM!
 Friday 17th & Saturday 18th February
 Plus, new for this year, Thursday 16th for the over-12s



Have you got your tickets yet?

Tickets are now on sale for the I.W. Story Festival at Quay Arts in Newport during February half term from www.quayarts.org

It's a chance to meet well-known performers and writers like **Simon Farnaby** (from Paddington 2, Horrible Histories and Ghosts) who will be talking about his **Wizard in My Shed** series of books.



Former CBeebies star, **Cerrie Burnell**, will also be there with her exciting adventure story about being different, **Wilder than Midnight**.

For younger children we have a world-exclusive. Author and illustrator Nicholas Allan will be revealing for the first time **The King's Pants** (some of you may already know and love one of his most famous books, **The Queen's Knickers**.)

There will be lots of other authors and illustrators for you to meet, some of them you may have heard of, some of them you may not. But all of them are worth seeing. Why not check some of them out before you come along: **Laura Ellen Anderson, Neal Layton, Jamie Littler, Gareth Pator, Kieran Larwood, Jules Harriner, Felicity Fair Thompson and Peta Rainford**

FAQs

Q: Do I need to get my tickets in advance?
 A: It's a good idea. Tickets are selling fast! Get them from www.quayarts.org

Q: How much are tickets?
 A: Some sessions are free, others cost between £3 and £6

Q: Is it just for people who like reading?
 NO! The I.W. Story Festival isn't just about books! We've got lots of hands-on activities for you to get involved with – from making puppets to making rockets, illustrating comics to sewing a story. There will be storytellers and theatre performances too!

More information from: www.iwstoryfestival.com

Registered charity number: 1188024

Privilege Seat Application Window – Academic Year 2022/2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

The dates for the privilege seat application window for academic year 2022 have been finalised. Should you wish to apply for a privilege seat for your child to use the school bus service you will need to apply from **9am on Tuesday 6th December 2022**. Please note that the online form will be live until on or around 5th June 2023.

Further information on the privilege seat process can be found online, here: <https://www.iwight.com/Council/OtherServices/School-Transport/Privilege-Seat-on-School-Transport>. Please also note the FAQs, Code of Good Practice and Ticket Terms and Conditions sections available via this webpage. If you scroll to the bottom of the above webpage you will see the bus services for which you can apply. **This information will be live from 9am on Tuesday 6th December 2022.** Should the service you require not be listed you will not be able to apply for that service at this time.

Do bear in mind that making an application for a privilege seat does not guarantee a seat on the school bus.

Privilege seat ticket prices are set costs as follows.

- Up to a full term £130.00
- Up to half a term £65.00
- Up to a full-term AM or PM only £65.00
- Up to half a term AM or PM only £32.50

Should you have any queries please contact the Transport Team at the Council via email: transport.info@iow.gov.uk or telephone: 823780.

Important Points to Note

- Information on bus services that can be offered will be available on the website from **9am on Tuesday 6th December 2022**.
- We may not be able to provide an update on the number of seats available before the application window opens but please be aware seats availability will be very limited.
- Services available are listed at the bottom of the Privilege seat webpage
- There will be a strict payment deadline for making payment. Should you miss this deadline, the seat offered to your child will be offered to the next child on the waiting list (should one exist) and your application will be cancelled.
- Once applications have been processed by the Transport Team you will be able to see the status of your application online as well as make payment without having to contact the Council.

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All activities must be booked in advance including fun hours and swimming.

All under 8's must be accompanied by an adult on the premises during all activities.

Swimming pool – book online – to book online you need to register with us on 752168 and we will give you a PIN.



Booking terms and conditions

ACTIVITIES

- Payment must be made in full at time of booking
- Users and members are asked to notify us as soon as possible if attendance at a booked activity is not possible
- Bookings can be cancelled at any time. No refund will be given for cancellations less than 24 hours before a booked activity
- Members who do not attend booked sessions will be required to pay the cost of a non-member at that session
- We reserve the right to refuse further bookings from anyone who repeatedly does not honour their booking or the terms and conditions
- Bookings can be made 9 days ahead.
- Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult on the premises during all activities
- Minimum age for swimming lessons is 4 years.

ONLINE BOOKINGS – CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

- Only Fun Hour and Open Swim can be booked online
- Users/members must be registered, with a valid email address and issued with a unique PIN in order to be able to access the online booking portal. Please telephone and ask for your PIN and details

- We reserve the right to suspend an online booking account at any time
- Bookings can be made online up to 2 hours before the time of the booking. After that time bookings should be made over the phone
- Bookings can be cancelled online no later than 24 hours before the booking. After that time bookings must be cancelled over the phone
- Payments cannot be refunded online. Please call us to process your refund

SWIMMING COURSES

- In the event of a cancellation of a swimming course by a customer, full fee will be retained unless the place can be re-sold, in which case a refund of 80% of the fees or pro-rata if the course has commenced
- In the event of cancellation by us 100% refund will be issued or pro-rata if the course has commenced

We accept the following payment cards:



What are you doing this Half-Term?

Swimming Lessons • Kayaking
Skateboarding • Snorkelling
Raft Racing • Climbing
Sports Club • Diving • Mermaids
Open Swim Sessions • Fun Hours

February Half-Term Activities

13-19 February, 2023

West Wight Sports & Community Centre

Tel: (01983) 752168
www.westwight.org.uk
E-mail: info@westwight.org.uk

Freshwater, Isle of Wight, PO40 9XH

Reg. Charity No. 27334

February Half-Term Activities

Swimming lessons 5 day week £36.50

Learner Pool

0900-0930 – Non Swimmer Happy to go in the water in armbands.
0930-1000 – Beginner Swimmer Ready to swim without armbands.
1000-1030 – 5m Water confident, can swim 5-10m on front and back.

Main Pool

0900-0930 – 10-50m Can swim minimum 10m on front and back and happy to put face in water.
0930-1000 – 50m+ Can swim minimum 50m using good front crawl, back crawl and breaststroke.

Monday

Kayaking – 1000-1100 – 8-11 years – £8 – An introduction to kayaking through fun and games. Must be able to swim at least 25m.

Climbing – 1300-1400 & 1400-1500 – 7-12years – £15

A fun session suitable for all abilities. Waiver form will need to be completed.

Skateboarding – 1600-1650 & 1700-1750 – 5-17 years – Suitable for all abilities and equipment provided. Book via www.bookwhen.com/skateclub
£6 per session or book 4 sessions to receive an automatic discount to £20.

Tuesday

Snorkelling – 1000-1100 – £5.50. Must be able to swim at least 25m and be happy under the water.

Climbing – 1400-1500 & 1500-1600 – 7-12years – £15. A fun session suitable for all abilities. Waiver form will need to be completed.

Wednesday

Raft Racing – 1000-1100 – 6yrs+ – £5.50 – Fun and games in teams racing on our specially built rafts. Must be able to swim at least 50m.

13-19 February, 2023

Thursday

Sports Club – 0900-1000 – 7-11 years – £5.50

A fun session with a range of sports, games and activities, including an introduction to archery using soft arrows.

Diving – 1000-1100 – £8.

Must be able to swim at least 25m, be happy underwater and be able to perform a head first entry into the pool.

Climbing – 1400-1500 & 1500-1600 – 7-12 years – £15

A fun session suitable for all abilities. Waiver form will need to be completed.

Friday

Mermaids Main Pool – 1000-1030 – £5.50

Must be able to swim at least 25m+ and happy under the water.

Mermaids Small Pool – 1030-1100 – £5.50

Must be able to swim at least 10m+ and happy under the water.

Climbing – 1130-1230 – 7-12years – £15

A fun session suitable for all abilities. Waiver form will need to be completed.

Open Swim Sessions

No lanes, diving boards in use – great for a family swim session.

Adults £5.50, Children/under 20s £3.

Monday-Sunday 1400-1500, Monday-Thursday 1500-1600.

Fun Hours

Fun and floats in our pool. Under 8's MUST be accompanied in the water at all times. £4.

Monday-Friday 1100-1200; Saturday & Sunday 1000-1100



FAMILY FUN

CLAY DAYS

AT NEWPORT ROMAN VILLA

Half-term activity

- 10am to 2pm
- Monday 13 February
- Wednesday 15 February

ONLY £1.00
No need to book, just turn up and explore.

- COVID-19 precautions in place.
- If the activity room is full we will provide clay for you to create your masterpiece at home.
- Card payments limited; allow extra time if you wish to pay this way.

NEWPORT ROMAN VILLA
01983 529720/823433
iow.gov.uk/museums
Cypress Road, Newport, IW, PO30 1HA

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Celebrate International Women's Day

with Adult Community Learning (adults 19+), and bring a child over the age of 10yrs with you to our workshop morning, on Sunday 5 March 10am-12pm. Choose between weaving your own beautiful unique piece of wall art, using mixed media and personal items, or create a colourful keyring (heart, flower etc) and hopefully you'll never lose your keys again!

Workshops take place at The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde and cost £10/£5 concession per person (child pays £5). Booking is essential, to book an adult and child place please call 817280, or adults 19+ only can book via our website www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses



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at The Bay CE Secondary



For children aged 5-11

13th - 17th February
5 days of football fun!

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10AM - 3PM £12 a day

- ★ Fully FA Qualified coaches - With First Aid, Safeguarding children and DBS checked.
- ★ Skill development and games!
- ★ Win medals and trophies throughout the week with our Penalty, Keepy-uppy, Crossbar and Speed Champion competitions as well as Most Improved, Best Attitude and Future Star awards!
- ★ Finish the week with a Sandown Soccer World Cup where one team will become World Champions!

5 hours of fun EVERY day!
10am - 3pm
Inclusive football for ALL abilities!

Only £12 a day!
Find us on facebook: Sandown Soccer - Isle of Wight

For any information contact Lewis (Mr Mitchell)
07594 389531
sandownsoccer@yahoo.com



SANDOWN SOCCER

Children are welcome to come for one day or for ALL the days!

Attend at least 4 out of the 5 days during the week and win a medal for all of your hard work!

To book a place text your child's name, school year, dates and your name to 07594 389531



WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

SATURDAY 4 FEBRUARY 10.00AM UNTIL 12.30PM

Join us for tours of the School, a Q&A session with the Head Master and senior team and an opportunity to talk to pupils, staff and parents. Enjoy displays, live music and drama rehearsals and join in with science experiments.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR OPEN MORNING:

Call +44 (0)1983 617970, email: admissions@rydeschool.net or visit www.rydeschool.org.uk/admissions/open-day-visits

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