

The Buzz

27th September 2024



Brighstone C.E.
Primary School



Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

Well, what a day we all had yesterday at **Blackgang Chine**! Everyone had such a fantastic time, despite the very wet and windy conditions. The children didn't let the weather faze them; in fact, they got even wetter when squirting each other on the pirate ships and going down the water slide! (Check out all the photos on Facebook, with more to follow on Monday.) In Golden Worship this morning, Mrs Jones mentioned that she saw many acts of kindness yesterday, when children really thought of others and helped them out. Well done, as this really links with our school values of love and respect, as well as our CW value of generosity.



On the subject of generosity, some **EARA group** members nominated three children for the Golden Book this week, for being generous with their time and voluntarily sweeping up the stones on the path in the sensory garden. This is such a kind act, helping to keep the area neat and tidy, and safe for people to walk on. Often, we also have children stay to help clear up the hall after lunch as well, which is really helpful and thoughtful of them. Thank you to all who give up their time so generously.



After the last two weeks of learning and practising new techniques with rolling, folding and creating flaps for 3D paper pictures, today **Y1/2 Bumble Bees** have made some beautiful 3D Tree of Life pictures. See more photos on Facebook.

As part of their RE topic on "Special Places", this week **Ivy Bee Class** considered the differences between special and sacred places. They then went onto consider how sacred places should be treated and what happened inside. They were very shocked to see pictures of damaged mosques, synagogues and cathedrals. They talked about how people should be quiet and respectful inside a church - and then realised the noise and mess they made at the Methodist Church during Messy Church! They then found out about how churches are used for other purposes alongside traditional services. For this lesson, we were joined by Rev Leisa Potter (who has recently lead the reconfiguration of Totland church) who listened to the children's thoughts and ideas and explained that by diversifying, local churches can become even more embedded into local life and provide useful services for people who wouldn't normally consider going into a church.



This morning, Boni popped into Golden Worship to hand out the certificates for the summer reading challenge (see photo on the Golden Book page) and to talk about the upcoming **BHS autumn show**. As a school, we will be entering all the children from Y1 - Y6 into the handwriting competition, and, when asked who would like to take part in one or more of the other classes, many hands went up, so we look forward to seeing your entries (see the advert in this Buzz).

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team



Collective Worship

This week's focus was 'Generosity - Giving Cheerfully'.



This week, some children acted out a story about a boy called Freddie who had completed a sponsored ride to raise money for this local hospital who had helped his brother.

When he was collecting the sponsor money, his friends gave it cheerfully, while praising him for his achievement of cycling 50 miles. However, one friend wanted to use his donation to buy some football cards, and only gave the money reluctantly. We thought about how Freddie might have felt when his friends gave it cheerfully, and then when his other friend gave it reluctantly.

Think of the last time you remember giving someone a gift or lending someone something. How do you hope you made them feel?

Have you learnt anything today that has made you think about 'giving' in a different way?

"God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9.7

Prayer of thanksgiving

Dear God,

We praise you for all that you have generously given to us.

Thank you for families and friends,
Thank you for our bodies, our minds and all that makes us unique as your children. Inspire us to be generous in return, Sharing what we have willingly and cheerfully,

In the name of your son, Jesus, who gave his life for us.

Amen



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 **£3.20** per day.

Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza	Sausages	Roast Chicken	BBQ Chicken Burger	Fish Fingers
Option 2	Tomato Pasta	Veggie Sausages	Ch & Onion Pasty	Veggie Burger	Quorn Dippers
Dessert	Brownie/Fruit	Jelly	Cake	Apple Sponge	Ice Cream

Poetry Corner

Kindness

Spread a little kindness
Sprinkle as you go
Send it out into the world
Watch it ebb and flow

Plant a kindness garden
The more seeds that you sow
You'll find that your own happiness
will grow
and grow
and grow!

By Laura Jaworski



Reading Recommendations

Each week we will include a book recommendation from a child and/or adult.

This week, Ruby wanted to recommend Explorer by Katherine Rundell. Ruby started reading it because I initially recommended it to her!

This is a really good book because it's about people whose plane has crashed in the Amazon rainforest and it's really cool to see how people survive in the Amazon.

I haven't finished it yet, but I'm really excited to see what will happen at the end.



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

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!

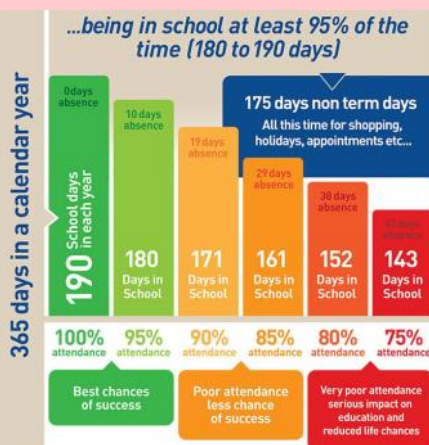
Week Commencing 23rd September 2024

Whole School attendance target: 96.5%



Actual Attendance: **94.2%**

Late marks this week: **1**



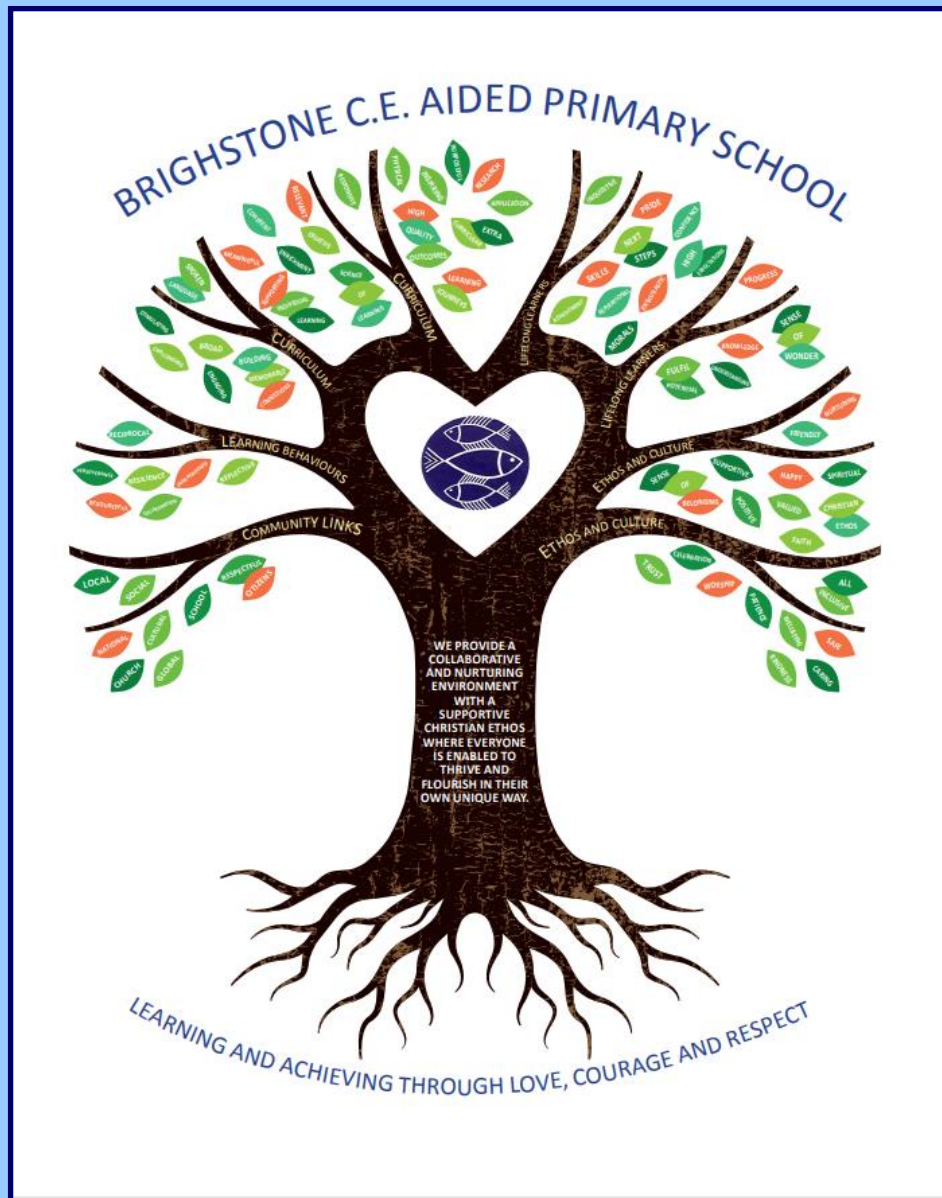
<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Golden Book

Bumble Bee	George - for improving his concentration and perseverance when reading and carrying out challenges.
Honey Bee	Kieran - for working extremely hard in Maths and completing his challenges independently. Tristan - for having resilience and trying his best in Maths.
Ivy Bee	Lilli - for her diligence and effort in all lessons.
Behaviour Bee	Reece - for always showing super kindness to others.
Sports Bee	Noah - for always trying his very best in all PE lessons - it's like he's always been here.
EARA	Annie, Alexander and Leo - for sweeping up the stones on the path in their break time (nominated by Helena, Alyssa and Annie).



Our Vision Statement



A vision statement 'seeks to inspire and give direction to all stakeholders (staff, children, parents, governors and the wider community). It is an aspirational description of what an organisation would like to achieve or accomplish in the mid-term or long-term future. It is intended to serve as a clear guide for choosing current and future courses of action'.

Our vision statement works alongside our mission statement 'Learning and Achieving Through Love, Courage and Respect', which includes our values, to reflect and guide our culture, ethos and decision making. This is also on our website.

As a school, in 2020 we worked together with a range of stakeholders to write our vision statement, and we decided to create a visual vision statement to make it stand out and be memorable. Each part of the image has been carefully chosen to represent our school:

Our values, as part of the mission statement (tagline), are the roots and foundation that feed and nourish our school.

The vision statement is the main body (trunk) that guides all our actions.

The branches reflect the different aspects of life in our school.

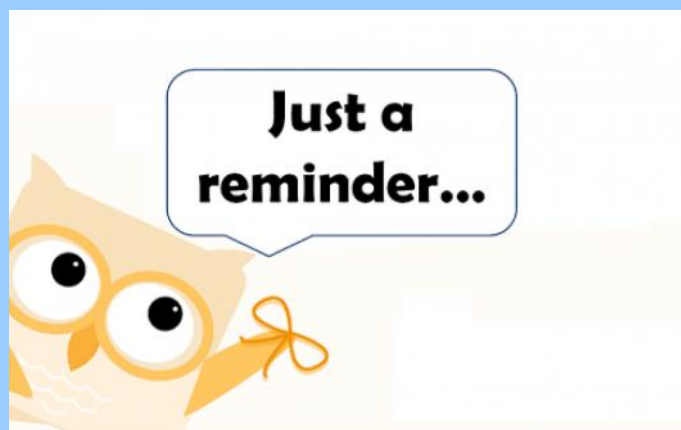
The leaves show examples of how these aspects are shown.

The school logo in the centre of the tree represents the Christian ethos that is at the heart of everything we do.

Reminders

- All hair accessories, socks, shoes and trainers must be in the school colours: navy blue, grey, black or white (no novelty socks)
- All long hair must be tied back (pony tail, bun, plaits etc...) to avoid the spreading of headlice
- No jewellery to be worn other than stud earrings, which must be removed or taped over on PE days
- Gates open at 8.25am and are locked at 8.30am, and in the afternoon, gates are opened at 2.55pm and locked at 3.10pm
- As teachers are busy welcoming and supervising children first thing in the morning, please could all messages be given to Mrs Pelosi in the office, who will then pass them on to the teacher
- Only water is allowed in drinks bottles, and snacks must be fruit only
- Please ensure you have returned the start of the school year paperwork to the office

Thank you!





BSA

BRIGHSTONE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Meeting and AGM

MONDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 19:00

BRIGHSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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All are welcome.

A link will be sent out nearer the time for anyone who is unable to attend in person.

CHILDREN'S SHOW SCHEDULE 2024

AUTUMN SHOW

Saturday 5th October

Wilberforce Hall & Scout Hut, Main Road, Brigstone

1.30pm to 4.00pm Presentations at 4.00pm

Please state your age on the entry form, then it will be taken into consideration.

- 130. A Christmas Card.
- 131. Polar bear cup cakes, made and decorated, 4.
- 132. A Christmas decorated pebble.
- 133. Autumn Colours, a display of leaves & flowers in own vase.
- 134. An Autumn collage of dried leaves & seeds, A4 max.
- 135. A model made from Lego, no bigger than 30cm x 40cm.
- 136. Handwriting (By Christina Rossetti):

Fly away, fly away over the sea,
Sun loving swallow, for summer is done;
Come again, come again, come back to me,
Bringing the summer and bring the sun.

CHILDREN'S ENTRY FORMS (ALL ENTRIES ARE FREE)

AUTUMN SHOW 2024

Entry forms must reach the Show Secretary **no later than Wednesday prior to the show**. Please post your entry in the box at The Village Shop, Brigstone or hand to the Show Secretary at Bluebells, North Street, Brigstone.

NAME (BLOCK CAPITALS) _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Children's Classes

Please circle: 130 131 132 133 134 135 136

Number of entries _____

Isle of Wight school place planning consultation

We want to hear your views – to complete the survey, scan the QR Code below or visit:

forms.office.com/e/mkqS7PGbNK

**To find out more about the plans visit:
www.iow.gov.uk/schoolplace**



**Isle of Wight
Council**





Respect Charter

at Brighstone CE Aided Primary School

At Brighstone CE Aided Primary School we believe staff, parents and children are entitled to a safe and protective environment in which to learn and work. We strive to ensure that our school offers a warm and nurturing environment. All members of the school community and visitors should demonstrate mutual respect, to feel safe, work together and to use restorative approaches as the foundation of our practice. Any behaviour that may lead to feelings of harassment, alarm or distress to members of our community, will not be tolerated and action taken.

Expectations

- o That all adults set a good example to children at all times, showing them how to get along with all members of the school and the wider community.
- o That no one - staff, governors, parents, carers, volunteers or children - be subjected to abusive behaviour or any form of threats from visitors on the school premises.
- o That physical attacks and threatening behaviour, abusive or insulting language verbal or written (including on social media), to staff, governors, parents, carers, volunteers, children and other users of the school premises will not be tolerated and may lead to a ban from school premises and/or police action.

Types of behaviour that are considered serious and unacceptable

This is not an exhaustive list but seeks to provide illustrations of such behaviour:

- o Shouting, either in person or over the telephone
- o Speaking in an aggressive/threatening tone
- o Physically intimidating, e.g. standing very close
- o The use of aggressive hand gestures/exaggerated movements
- o Physical threats
- o Shaking or holding a fist towards another person
- o Swearing and name calling
- o Pushing
- o Slapping, punching, hitting or kicking
- o Racist, homophobic or other hateful behaviour
- o Sexist comments or sexual innuendo
- o Disrespecting religion or belief
- o Inappropriate communications (posting on Social Networking sites, emails or letters, etc.) which could bring the school into disrepute or be deemed as bullying, harassment and/or a hate-related

The school reserves the right to take any necessary actions to ensure that members of the school community are not subjected to any form of abuse in line with policy and procedure. If you choose to engage in these behaviours you may be asked to leave the site or the police may be called.

Thank you for your understanding and support

If your message is **urgent** or about **attendance** contact Mrs Pelosi in the **office**:
01983 740285
office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Office Hours 8am - 4pm

If you would like to speak with the **Headteacher** Mrs Lennon, you can find her at the school gate every morning or you can call 740285 to make an appointment with her



For **general enquiries** you can call or email the office, text the school messaging service or send a message to our school **Facebook** page: <https://www.facebook.com/BrighstoneCEPrimarySchool>
Our Facebook page is open so you do not need a personal account to view it

If you have concerns about your child's **learning** and progress, email the class teacher in the first instance and allow at least 1 working day for a reply:

Years R, 1 & 2 - teacher.bumblebee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Years 3 & 4 - teacher.honeybee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Years 5 & 6 - teacher.ivybee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk

If you have concern regarding **safeguarding** or your **child's mental health and wellbeing** please contact Mrs Jones. You can speak to her on the playground every morning, call into the school office or email m.jones@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
safeguarding@brighstoneprimary.org.uk

Our **Newsletter** is published every Friday with key information for parents and carers. You can find it on our school website: <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/category/the-buzz/>

Contact us



If you have a **safeguarding** concern about a child outside of school hours you can call the police on 999 if you feel they are at risk of immediate harm or contact Children's Services on 0300 300 0117

Please be reminded that all children need to wear the correct PE kit on PE days.
The correct PE kit is also needed for sports clubs.
Socks and hair accessories must be in the school colours.

School Day Timings

The school day is as follows:

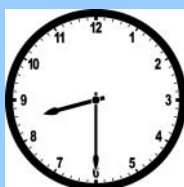
8.25am: Gates open

8.30am: School starts

3pm: School ends

3.10pm: Gates close

Many thanks.



Key dates this year

- Wednesday 9th October: Flu immunisations
- Monday 14th October: School photos (individual)
- Tuesday 15th October: Global Handwashing Day
- Friday 18th October: Show Racism the Red Card Day; last day of term
- Thursday 31st October: Deadline for secondary applications
- Monday 4th November: Back to school
- Monday 18th November: Admissions round for primary applications opens
- Friday 22nd November: Pearl of Africa Choir visiting - cancelled
- Saturday 7th December: BSA Christmas Fair
- Friday 20th December: Last day of term
- Monday 6th January: Back to school
- Wednesday 15th January: Deadline for primary applications
- Friday 14th February: Last day of term
- Monday 24th February: Back to school
- Monday 3rd March: National offer day for secondary admissions
- Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th March: Parents evenings
- Friday 4th April: Last day of term
- Wednesday 16th April: National offer day for primary admissions
- Tuesday 22nd April: Back to school
- W/c Monday 12th May: Y6 SATs week
- Friday 23rd May: Last day of term
- Tuesday 3rd June: Back to school
- Tuesday 15th July: Parents evening
- Friday 25th July: Last day of term

This list is regularly updated.

School Term Dates for 2024-2025

Please note that the school will be closed on the following days in this academic year:

Day 1: Monday 2nd September 2024

Day 2: Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Day 3: Monday 2nd June 2025

Day 4: Monday 28th July 2025

Day 5: Tuesday 29th July 2025

Term dates are available on our school website:

<https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/calendar/>

