

# The Buzz

## 18th October 2024



Brighstone C.E.  
Primary School



Learning and Achieving Through  
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,



It was wonderful to see so many family members at our **Harvest Festival** yesterday. The children made us all proud with their performances of songs, poems and interesting facts about Harvest. Our Collective Worship value this half term is 'generosity', and you were certainly extremely generous in your donations of goods for the Foodbank. Thank you; your gifts will be very much appreciated. Thank you to Rev Jackie for leading the service, to Rev Mark for accompanying us on the piano, to Olivia from SWAY who was our 'next slide, please' clicker, and to our Head Pupils Poppy L and Tom for welcoming the congregation and helping out with the service.



On Wednesday **Y6** went to Yarmouth fire station as part of the "National Re-Start a Heart Day," where they were taught the procedure for attending a person with a suspected cardiac arrest. They were instructed step-by-step by an IW ambulance service paramedic: first on how to check for consciousness and breathing, then where to place their hands and how to push the chest to do heart compressions. Everyone had a go on the Resussi-Annie mannequins and apparently the correct speed to work at is the same as the beat of the "Baby Shark" song - so that got sung MANY times! After that, Anna helped the paramedic to attend to a patient using CPR and a defibrillator - they looked at ours in the foyer on the way back into school and now they have a better awareness of how the box works. It was a very interesting session and hopefully now if they ever found themselves in that position, they could help to save a life.

We had another sea of bright colour in school today, with our **Show Racism the Red Card Day**. Thank you for all your donations, (£56) which will go towards another worthy cause.



As part of a packed Golden Worship this morning, I was delighted to announce the complete team of **Y6 Leadership** roles. Thank you for your applications, and congratulations on your roles.

| Y6 Leadership Roles     |  |             |   |
|-------------------------|--|-------------|---|
| Head Pupils             | Poppy L and Tom                                | Sports Crew | Grover, Ila, Reuben, Christopher, Leland, |
| Hive Captains           | Anna (Y), Lucy W (G), Poppy J (B) and Izzy (R) | Librarians  | Charlotte and Iris                        |
| Pupil Safeguarding Lead | Toby   |             |   |

As I write this, preparations are underway for our **Autumn Disco**. The children are very excited and are looking forward to showing us their dance moves! Thank you to the BSA who are organising it, as well as to the members of staff and parents who are helping to run it.

I hope you have a lovely half term.

Best wishes,

Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team



## Collective Worship

This week's focus was 'Generosity - Giving as God Gives'.

Harvest is a time to reflect on God's generous goodness in his gift to us of creation. Do you have a favourite outside place where you can appreciate the wonder of God's world?

Where is your special place?

What do you like about it?

How do you feel when you are there?

What do you most like to look at?

What are the sounds that you hear when you are there?

God has been generous with providing the natural world. What has he provided us with?

How can we be generous with this as well?



### Harvest Prayer

Dear God,  
Thank you for your generosity in providing us with everything in the natural world.  
Thank you to those who provide for us.  
Help us to be generous by sharing with others what we have.  
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.

**No  
Baguettes**

| Week 1   | Monday              | Tuesday       | Wednesday    | Thursday          | Friday         |
|----------|---------------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Option 1 | Macaroni Cheese     | Beef Burger   | Roast Gammon | BBQ Chicken Pizza | Fish Fingers   |
| Option 2 | Cheesy Bean Burrito | Quorn Burger  | Quorn        | Cheese Pizza      | Veggie Fingers |
| Dessert  | Flapjack            | Apple Crumble | Rice Pudding | Jelly             | Brownie        |



## Poetry Corner

### Harvest



As the last orange leaf fell from the great oak, the grass started whispering to the children of Brighstone.

The grass said "the leaves of the trees have turned orange which means that the harvest is here".

The squirrels whisper "The earth provides food for us to share around with everyone".

The fox sang "we love the harvest festival, we celebrate our happy moments with everybody".

The hedgehog squeaked "God is great and the harvest is arriving".

The pumpkin muttered "we were all put on this earth to give our love to one another".

As the sun starts to set and the moon appears, the grass starts swaying and the animals of autumn are ready to rest underneath the great oak.

The moon is glowing orange, the sky is black, we can see the orange light glimmering over Brighstone as the harvest festival begins.

Written and read by Honey Bee Class in the Harvest Festival

## Reading Recommendations

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

This week, Maddie recommends The Rainbow Fairies series.

I like these books because I like fairies. They are fun to read. There are a lot of books in the series. I started with Ruby the Red Fairy and it goes all the way up to Heather the Violet Fairy. I have finished all the rainbow books, and I am now on number 4 of the weather fairies. I recommend these books because they are not too long to read and they are exciting as you don't know what's going to happen.



## 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](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)

**0808 800 5000**

**Find out more**

Or call children's services 0300 300 0117

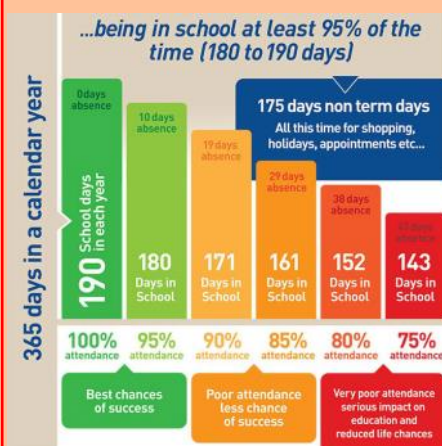
## Attendance Matters!

Week Commencing 14th October 2024

Whole School attendance target: 96.5%

Actual Attendance: 95.34%

Late marks this week: 4



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

# Golden Book

## External Achievements





# Sporting News

On Wednesday afternoon, some of our Year 3s and 4s travelled to Broadlea Primary School to take part in a tag rugby festival.

A try from Alexander got our afternoon off to a winning start as we defeated The Bay 1-0. Sam was on the scoresheet in the second game, but we were beaten 3-1 by Bembridge A.

An end-to-end game with Nettlestone followed - there were two tries for Sam, but our opponents came out on top 3-2. Sam scored for a third game running vs Bembridge B, with Alexander scoring his second try of the afternoon as we drew 2-2.

A 0-0 draw with Broadlea followed, before tries for Leo and Sam earned us a 2-2 draw against Niton in our final game.

All of the squad showed great teamwork throughout the afternoon and showcased their skills, gaining further understanding of the sport as the games went on. A super effort from all involved!





# Harvest Prayers

Dear Lord,

Now the harvest is in from the fields and safely stored, we would like to give thanks for all the time and effort from the people who have been and will be involved in turning it into food for us.

The farmers who have spent long hours in tractors and combine harvesters;

People who have washed and packed the fruit and vegetables;

The millers and bakers who have created tasty food

and the shop keepers who display and sell all of the lovely produce.

Without them, the world would be a hungrier place.

Amen

Dear God,

We thank you for the fertile soil that has produced all of the plentiful crops this harvest.

For the right amounts of sun and rain.

For the worms and animals that created the compost and manure.

For the bees and insects that pollinated the flowers.

You care for the land and water; you enrich it abundantly.

Please guide us to continue to care for and value it.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen

# Harvest Festivals





BRIGHSTONE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

## VILLAGE PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

Wednesday 30th October 2024 at 17:30  
£2 per entry -battery tea light provided

Bring your Carved Pumpkins & entry money to the Brighstone village shop on the night... Pumpkins will be lit & judged at 18:30 - prizes will then be awarded!

Don't forget your name & age underneath your pumpkin!

PRIZES FOR DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS

Don't forget to TAKE YOUR PUMPKINS HOME after for Halloween.

**BSA MEETING**

*Monday*  
**4 November**  
**19:00**

Come and join us to plan for our Christmas Fayre & all our christmas activities!

HONEY BEE CLASSROOM

BRIGHSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Preloved uniform**

For sale outside the School Office.  
Cash only please in the donation box

BSA

Polo T shirt - 25p  
Dresses/trousers/skirts/shorts - 50p  
Logo cardigans/jumpers - £1  
Brand new items with tags - £1

Coat - £5.00

**ASDA Rewards**  
Pounds, not points

**INTRODUCING CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS!**

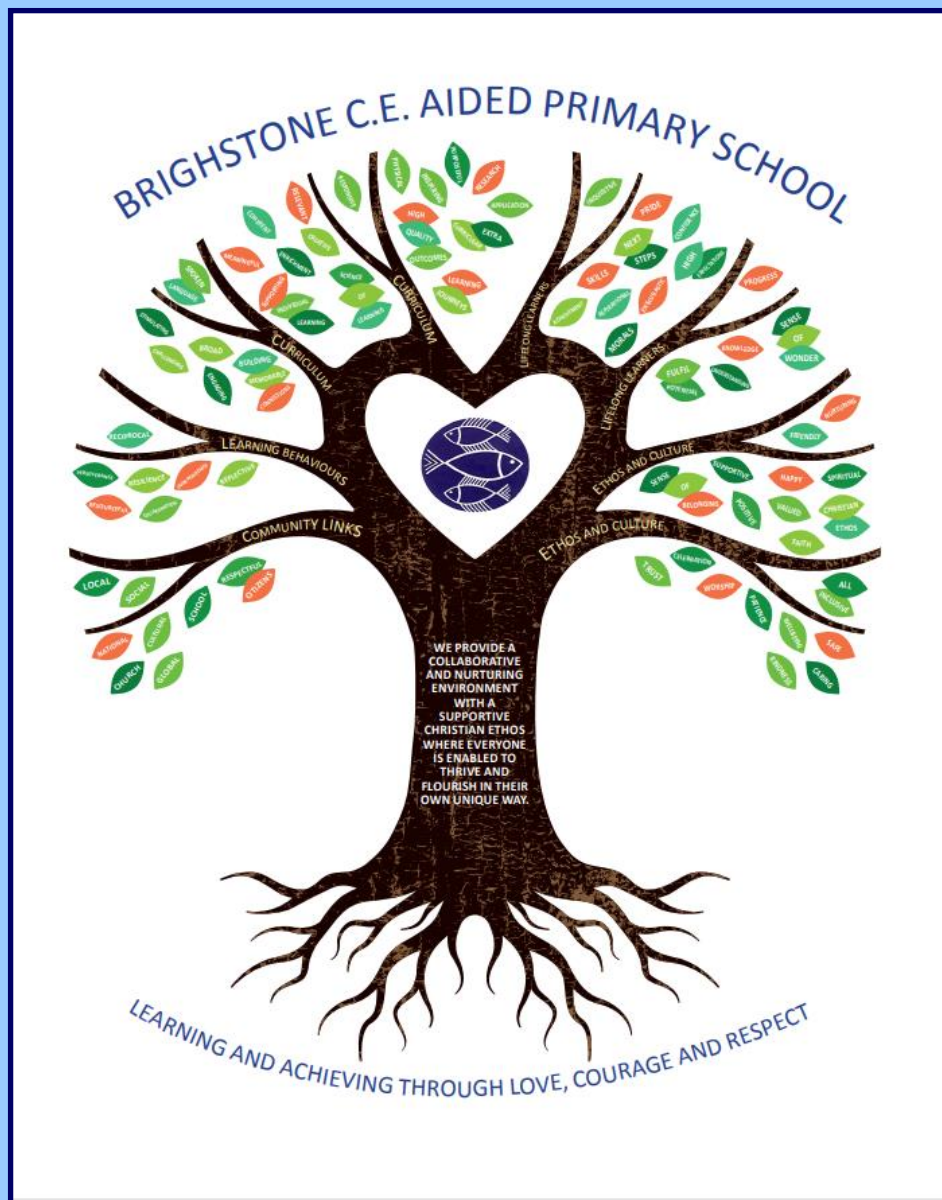
Nominate 'Brighstone Primary School' via the Asda Rewards app to help build our cashpot.

With every shop, 0.5% of your total gets donated to us.

**CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS**

Only with ASDA Rewards

# 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.

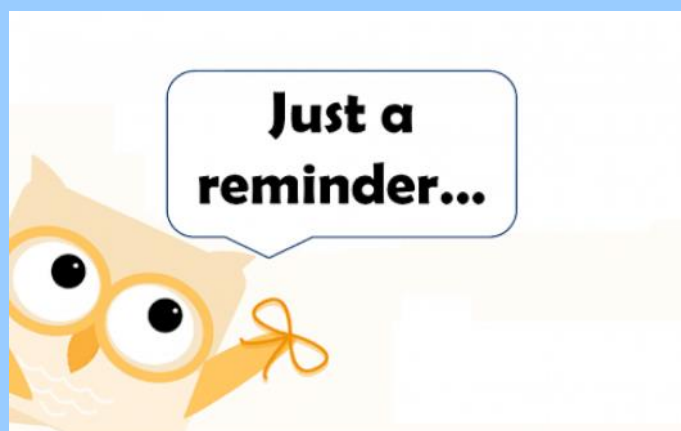
The school logo in the centre of the tree represents the Christian ethos that is at the heart of everything we do.



# 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

Thank you!





# 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](https://forms.office.com/e/mkqS7PGbNK)**

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

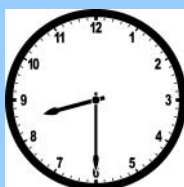
8.25am: Gates open

8.30am: School starts

3pm: School ends

3.10pm: Gates close

Many thanks.



## Key dates this year

- Friday 18th October: Show Racism the Red Card Day (wear something red suitable for PE); school disco; 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 6th December: Whole school visit to the pantomime in Portsmouth
- 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
- Monday 10th February: KS2 trip to Harry Potter World
- 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/>

