

Newsletter 2025 - 2026

Welcome to Year 3 & 4 in Honey Bee Class!



The adults working with you this year

Class Teacher: Mrs Northard (Mon-Thu)/Mrs Johnstone (Friday)

LSA: Mrs Dunn

PE: Mr Goldsmith (Sports Coach)

General Information

Hello! My name is Mrs Northard and I will be teaching Honey Bee class on Mondays - Thursdays. Mrs Johnstone, who many of you will already know, will be teaching the class on Fridays. We will be teaching Honey Bee class until February half term, when Mrs Baker returns from her maternity leave.

I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting and getting to know the children in Honey Bee Class this week! Each day, the children will all come in through the double doors to the Roy Bromley rooms and at the end of the day, children will exit via the single door at the far side.

Emails: The email address for Honey Bee Class is teacher.honeybee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk. It will be checked several times per week; however, if your enquiry needs an immediate acknowledgement or reply, then please contact the main school office on 740285 or office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk.

Equipment: Over the course of the next week, the children will all be given an appropriate level reading book and they will be able to choose a library book from our class library. We will be distributing reading records over the coming week, and this will be expected to come in each morning. Please try to hear your child read as much as possible, to ask them questions about what they are reading and to encourage them to read widely. Reading is so beneficial to all areas of their learning.

Please could the children bring a named water bottle in their school bag. (We have a water-only policy at Brighstone.) Children do not need to bring in any of their own equipment as everything they will need will be provided in class. Due to limited cloakroom space, we would appreciate bags/rucksacks being as small as practicably possible!

PE:

The PE days will be Wednesday and Friday and children will need to come into school in their PE kits on both of these days. This will save lots of time changing and give the children more time for sports!



Break time snack:

The school does not provide a snack for Year 3/4 children. If you would like your child to have a morning snack, it must be a piece of fresh fruit or vegetable (e.g. carrot sticks) and it can be brought in daily. Only water is permitted in water bottles.



Golden Worship

Golden Worship takes place in the hall on Friday mornings at 8.35am. Parents/carers and grandparents are welcome to join us to celebrate their child's achievements. Texts are sent home on Wednesdays to let you know if your child is in the Golden Book that week. External achievements are celebrated on the last Friday of each half term.



Topics

A Topic Web will be sent out at the beginning of every half term that explains what we will be learning in each subject.



Homework and Reading

Homework for each half term will be sent home in a green book, as well as spellings to practise which will be sent home in a small blue spellings book.



Trips

Letters with more information will be sent out before any trip.

<u>Attendance</u>

At Brighstone we expect all children to have a minimum attendance of 96.5% and to start the school day punctually at 8.30am. This is key to ensure that children are settled, ready and focused for their learning that day as soon as lessons start at 8.40am! The gates will be locked at 8.30am so after that please enter school via the main entrance.