



Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School

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Welcome Back

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the new school year of 2025-2026! We hope you all had a lovely summer and are ready for the new academic year starting on Thursday 4th September.

As we are passionate about achieving and maintaining high standards so that our children can thrive and flourish, the start of a new year is a great time to send out some information and reminders so we can start as we mean to go on.

Change to school entrance/exit

Due to the introduction of our Resourced Provision over the summer holidays, children will now enter and leave the school via the gate on Warnes Lane (back of the school).

Start of the school day		Home time	
Gate opens/closes	8.25am/8.30am	Gate opens/closes	2.55pm/3.10pm
School starts	8.30am	School ends	3pm

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time so they don't miss the register and/or any learning time. Anyone arriving after 8.30am will need to report to the office and provide a reason for the lateness. A reminder that persistent lateness may result in a fine from the Local Authority.

Uniform

Our autumn term school uniform consists of: • Navy blue jumper or cardigan • Grey trousers, shorts, pinafore dress or skirt • White polo shirt • Grey or white socks or tights • Black shoes – not trainers	Our PE kit consists of: • Navy t-shirt • Navy blue shorts/skort, leggings or tracksuit bottoms • Navy blue jumper or hooded top • Grey or white socks • Dark trainers or black plimsolls (Other than trainers, items should NOT be branded.)
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Other expectations:

- Long hair must be tied back
- Hair accessories must be in school colours (navy, white or grey)
- Jewellery must not be worn, with the exception of small, discreet earring studs (which must be removed or covered for PE/swimming)
- The wearing of branded clothing is not permitted

Further information about our uniform and where it can be purchased from is available on our school website:
<https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/school-uniform/>

PE days

Children are expected to come to school wearing their PE kits on their designated PE days.

Year group	PE days
Reception	Wednesdays and Thursdays
Year 1 and Year 2	Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Year 3 and Year 4	Wednesdays and Fridays
Year 5 and Year 6	Mondays and Wednesdays

There will be no PE this week.

Food and Drink

Snacks for break time should only be fresh fruit or vegetables and children should only have **water** in their drink bottles. *(Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are provided with fruit and vegetables for a snack through the government's School Fruit and Veg Scheme.)*

Our school dinner provider, Chartwells, offer daily nutritionally balanced meals. These meals are free for children in Years R-2 and for anyone in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM). The cost for any other children is £3.35 per day. Where possible, dinners need to be paid for in advance on the School Money system or via the school office. When dinner arrears reach £16.75 (equivalent to 5 school days), you will be contacted to pay the bill or provide a packed lunch for your child.

Communication

To help us reduce the amount of paper we use, email will continue to be our main way to communicate with parents. Please ensure that we have the correct email address and to check your spam/junk folder regularly. Our text messaging service will also be used for shorter messages, or to inform you that there is an important email being sent.

You can contact your child's class teacher via the class email address, but please note that they can only respond outside of teaching hours, so, if you have an urgent message, you are advised to contact the office in the first instance.

Further information, news, letters and master copies of forms and calendar dates will also be via our Facebook page, our school website and our weekly newsletter, the Buzz, which is available on our school website every Friday afternoon.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We thank you for your time reading this letter and helping us to achieve high standards for our children and school community.

Best wishes and see you all on Thursday,

Mrs Lennon
Headteacher

Mrs Jones
Senior Leader