

The Buzz

17th July 2026



Learning and Achieving Through Love,
Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,



KS2 had a fantastic time at the **Weald and Downland Living Museum** on Monday. We explored a range of houses from different periods, from Anglo-Saxon to Tudor to Victorian. We took part in different workshops, including with a blacksmith, doing Victorian chores, carding, and making nosegays with herbs to mitigate the smelly Tudor period! The children's behaviour was exemplary, and the staff and volunteers there stated how helpful they all were with each other, especially when helping each other down the steep Tudor stairs. Well done, everyone.



"Yesterday, we were entertained by some of our talented musicians and dancers at our **Summer Music Concert**. Beginning with the crowning of our Summer King and Queen Otis and Olive (our youngest pupils) by Dan and Maddie, our oldest pupils, we heard some beautifully played pieces on recorder, piano, flute, trumpet and guitar by our children who have music tuition, interspersed with dances performed by our one and only line dancing club. A big well done to everyone who performed, it's not easy in front of such a large audience, but you all showed just how your skills and talents are developing. A big thank you to Mrs Jackaman, Mr Sharp, Mr Stroud and Mrs Plant for all their support and hard work." Mrs Sharp (Music lead)

You may have seen some amazing scarecrow creations around the village, for **Brighstone's Scarecrow Festival**. Our children were particularly taken with Room on a Broom! We were delighted to receive a surprise donation of £75 from the organisers. We will certainly put it to good use for the benefit of the children. Huge thanks to Andrew and Maggie, the 'Scareteam'!

"Yesterday, Year 6 had a taster sailing morning at **UKSA**. We arrived about 9am, the sun was shining brightly and the children eagerly changed into their wetsuits, buoyancy aids and helmets. They were briefed on the moving parts of the dinghy and instructed on how to steer their dinghies. Some of our children are clearly seasoned sailors and others more nervous as they hadn't been before. We were very proud of how the more confident children supported and encouraged others. By the end of the session, all children had tried sailing the dinghies and those that were nervous and had travelled out to sea on RIBs were delighted that they had shown resilience and achieved something out of their comfort zone." Mrs Eggleton



Our Y5 children are at the **UKSA** today and Monday, and from what I've heard so far, they have had a wonderful time on the water!

When children have the opportunity to step out of their comfort zones and try something new, we always encourage them to have a go, give it a try, etc... Well, we are now saying it to Mrs Jones and Mrs Baker, as they have signed up for an amazing challenge in aid of the Mountbatten Hospice. Tomorrow, they will be conquering any fears they have to abseil down the **Spinnaker Tower**. We are certainly right behind them cheering them on. Thank you to those who have already donated. If you would like to sponsor them, please visit the following page and click on their profile: <https://mountbatteniow.enthuse.com/cf/spinnaker-tower-abseil>. We wish you the very best of luck - you can do it!



Further to the staffing letter that was sent out a couple of weeks ago, I now share the news that we will also be saying a sad goodbye to **Mrs Green**, who is moving onto new adventures. We thank her for all her hard work and dedication to the school. She will be missed by all.

I will hopefully see some of you at the **Summer Sizzler** this afternoon, and tomorrow at **BHS Summer Show** where our children will be country dancing.

With best wishes,
Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team

Collective Worship

This half term, the theme is The Miracles of Jesus. This week, we have been learning about when Jesus healed 10 men with leprosy.

Two thousand years ago, in the times that Jesus lived, there were many illnesses that could not be healed because the medicines to treat them had not yet been invented. Leprosy, a skin disease, was one of those illnesses.

When Jesus healed some people with leprosy, they were overjoyed, and thankful to Jesus.



Thank you for the sunshine that lights up our lives.

Thank you for our bodies and all the games we can play.

Thank you for food and all the different flavours and tastes that we enjoy.

Amen



Inclusion

Welcome to our inclusion section! Each week, we share a Makaton sign and Widgit symbol, as part of our inclusive ethos.

This week, our word is:

to run

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TEveXmrNiow>

Makaton sign	Widgit symbol
	

Poetry Corner

Sports Day

The morning sun shines on the grass,
With hive-team points for every class.
The sprinting track is clear and ready,
As eager runners stand up steady.

The Year 6 dressing up race starts,
In parents' clothes that play their parts.
They trip in coats and giant gowns,
To cheers that echo through the towns.

Then comes the frantic obstacle track,
And swift relays that look right back.
In KS2, the vortex flies,
While high jump hopefuls reach the skies.

Other field sports take up the space,
With flying leaps and steady pace.
The younger children start their play,
A skills carousel to light the day.

Reception and Key Stage 1 show,
The clever moves they've come to know.
No matter who took home the cup,
Or who fell down and scrambled up.

A shiny medal on the chest,
For everyone who tried their best.

Reading Recommendations

Each week, we include a book recommendation from a child and/or adult. Boni visited us to tell us about the Summer Reading Challenge.

The **Summer Reading Challenge** returns to all island libraries from 4th July with this year's theme, Read to the Beat, celebrating music and creative self-expression. Children can read any six library books over the summer to earn a medal, and this year they can also choose from a range of optional reading goals, such as reading a graphic novel, listening to an audiobook, or reading a friend's recommendation. Designed to inspire a love of reading and make the challenge more inclusive, it offers something for every child, whatever their reading ability.



See the email
that was sent out
for further
information.



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 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

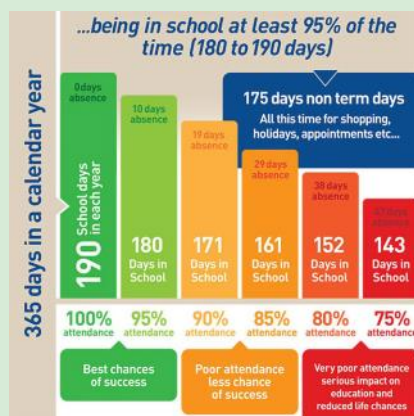
You can contact the NSPCC:
Or call children's services 01983 823435

Attendance Matters!



Week Commencing 13th July
(National attendance target: 95%)
Actual Attendance: 94.47%
Late marks this week: 1

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



Golden Book

Flower Bee	Arthur for being enthusiastic about his learning and having a go at things by himself. Ada-Olive for being enthusiastic about her learning, especially with her reading.
Bumble Bee	Ilia for fantastic work in History when comparing schools today to schools in the 1900's. Hudson for super maths work when identifying a quarter of shapes.
Honey Bee	Theodore for making good reading predictions and helping out and respecting our class-room environment.
Ivy Bee	Zara for a being a permanent asset to the class (certificate to be awarded next week). Violet for her great positive mindset from fractions to musical performances.
Sports Bee	Noah for demonstrating the School Games Values during PE and sporting fixtures.



Sports Report

On Tuesday, our U11 Girls' Cricket team travelled to Newclose County Cricket Ground for their Finals Day. A match against Gatten & Lake was first up - it was a game that kept swinging one way and then the other, tight bowling at the end from Gatten & Lake giving them a tight eight-run victory, 62 v 54. An even closer match vs Shalfleet followed, our girls winning by just one run (81 v 80), a result that secured a joint-third finish in a competition that started with 22 schools, a great achievement from all the girls!



Sports Day

Wednesday saw our annual sports day take place, albeit in different circumstances due to the heat! The races in the morning were of a high standard, with children from every year group putting in great performances and having lots of fun. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 then took part in their skills carousel, which was the closest carousel points-wise since the carousel was introduced! Meanwhile, KS2 children were battling the heat with their field events, including a brilliant High Jump final to close the day.

The scores were incredibly close. Congratulations this year go to the Yellow Hive for collecting the most points!

1st - Yellow - 2545

2nd - Blue - 2405

3rd - Green - 2280

4th - Red - 2235

We would also like to thank Craig Eccleston-Todd for his hard work in preparing the track, Richard Palmer and the BSA for the use of gazebos and ice lollies, Dylan Wright for helping out on the day, Thomas and Lauren for their help in running the events, and to Ivy Bee class for their fantastic work helping to run the races and the KS1 Carousel, as well as competing in their own events.



Mr Goldsmith



BRIGHSTONE SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

**FRIDAY
17 JULY
5PM- 7PM**

**SUMMER
SIZZLER
2026**

BBQ Hot dogs
Soft drinks
Alcoholic drinks
Children's Races
Tug of War
Wheel of fortune
Country Dancers
Ice Cream Van

BRIGHSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL FIELD

£5 PER FAMILY | PAY AT GATE | CARD OR CASH

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**Help Your Local School
WIN EQUIPMENT!**

Get ready to participate in our exciting token collect competition and help your school stand a chance to win amazing prizes.

**Collecting
Tokens Here**
Drop your tokens to reception!

Collect tokens printed in the County Press from Monday 11th May until Friday 3rd July 2026.



Terms and Conditions: Information on the competition is available on the County Press website. All prizes are subject to the competition rules and regulations. Prizes are not transferable and no cash alternative is available.



The Brighstone School Association now receive 30% commission from Stikins every time you buy your new name labels.

Quote our number 2721 when you place an order. A great way to keep your child's belongings safe and to support the school!

<https://www.stikins.co.uk>

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Family members
& friends of Brighstone
Primary School*

**Does your place of
work offer the Match
Funding Scheme?**

Get in touch with us if your employers could help our BSA fundraisers via email at brighstoneschoolassoc@gmail.com

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Association**

**It's never too late to keep
up with our latest news!**

**BSA Astra Recycling
Clothing Bank**

We take...

Clothes,
Shoes,
Bed Linen,
Accessories
(Such as
belts, hats
& handbags)
Soft Toys



**We can't
take...**

Duvets or
Cushions,
Off Cuts,
Carpet or
Curtains

Located in school entrance car park

Brighstone Governors

BRIGHSTONE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
GOVERNORS PRESENT

SUMMER SHINDIG

FRIDAY 24TH JULY

7PM | SCHOOL FIELD
TO | WARNES LANE
10:30PM | BRIGHSTONE

LIVE MUSIC, BAR AND GREAT FOOD
IN AID OF
BRIGHSTONE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON
THE GATE OR FROM

THE BRIGHSTONE VILLAGE SHOP
THE SCHOOL OFFICE
TANDEM TEA ROOMS

TO PAY BY CARD
SCAN THE QR CODE.



ADULT TICKETS £10 | TEEN TICKETS £5
(UNDER 12S GO FREE)

ALL UNDER 18S MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS BOOKING PLEASE CONTACT EMILY
ON E.RUFIAN@BRIGHSTONEPRIMARY.ORG.UK

Help us buy a new stage!

Brighstone CE Primary Governors
are fundraising to replace the old
school stage. Encouraging every
child to find their voice and thrive in
their own unique way.



You can support us by
putting a blue token in
the box in Tesco
Freshwater.

Stronger
Starts.



School Dinners

Children in **Year R, 1 and 2** are entitled to a
'universal' **free** school meal every day.

Children in Years 3-6 are charged at **£3.35**
per day.

Please note the dates to see which week to look at.



Chartwells



SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU		WEEK 1				
		W/C: 13/04/2026, 04/05/2026, 01/06/2026, 22/06/2026, 13/07/2026				
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🍕	Beef Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍗	I.O.W Pork Sausages with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Fish Fingers with Chips
	OPTION 2	BBQ Vegetable Wrap with Wholegrain Rice 🌯	Vegetarian Bolognese with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Roast BBQ Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍗	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🍟
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝
	HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH TWO VEGETABLES AND FRESHLY BAKED BREAD					
DELI	OPTION 4	Jacket Potato Choice of either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🥖	Jacket Potato Choice of either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna	Baguettes Choice of either Ham, Cheese or Tuna 🥖	Jacket Potato Choice of either Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna
DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT	Chocolate Brownie 🍰	Oat Cookie 🍪	Strawberry Shortcake Mousse	Vanilla Slice with Melon Wedges 🍰	Chocolate Ice Cream	

BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY
 With a choice of toppings 🍌🥒🍅

AVAILABLE DAILY
 Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

Vegetarian
 Vegan
 Oily Fish
 Fruity!
 Wholegrain
 Nutritionist's Choice

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 2

W/C: 20/04/2026, 11/05/2026, 08/06/2026, 29/06/2026, 20/07/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges 🍕	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges 🍔	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍖	Chicken and Vegetable Korma with Wholegrain Rice 🍛	Fish Fingers with Chips 🐟
	OPTION 2	Tex Mex Vegetable Fajita with Wholegrain Rice 🌮	Beany Vegetable Burger with Potato Wedges 🍔	Bean and Cheese Pastry Turnover with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🥟	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🍟
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝
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DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Banana Oat Bite 🍌	Lemon Cookie 🍪	Caramel Mousse 🍰	Chocolate Brownie 🍫	Strawberry Ice Cream 🍦



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With a choice of toppings 🍌 🍌 🍌



AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

🍌 Vegetarian 🌱 Vegan 🐟 Oily Fish 🍌 Fruity! 🍷 Wholegrain 🍛 Nutritionist's Choice

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Menu 02/2026

SPRING/SUMMER 2026 MENU

WEEK 3

W/C: 27/04/2026, 18/05/2026, 15/06/2026, 06/07/2026, 27/07/2026

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT DISHES	OPTION 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Pasta Salad 🍕	All Day Breakfast with Potato Wedges 🍳	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy 🍖	Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🍝	Fish Fingers with Chips 🐟
	OPTION 2	Veggie Meat Feast Pizza with Pasta Salad 🍕	Cheesy Bean Burrito with Wholegrain Rice 🌮	Vegetarian Cottage Pie with Gravy 🥧	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread 🍝	Quorn Dippers with Chips 🍟
	OPTION 3	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade Tomato Sauce with Wholewheat Pasta 🍝
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DELI DISHES ARE SERVED WITH MIXED SALAD						
DESSERT		Custard Shortbread with Melon Wedges 🍰	Strawberry Jelly 🍓	Chocolate Mousse 🍰	Vanilla Ice Cream 🍦	Banana Flapjack 🍌



BAKED POTATOES SERVED DAILY
With a choice of toppings 🍌 🍌 🍌



AVAILABLE DAILY
Fresh fruit, salad, yoghurt and water

🍌 Vegetarian 🌱 Vegan 🐟 Oily Fish 🍌 Fruity! 🍷 Wholegrain 🍛 Nutritionist's Choice

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Menu 03/2026



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 would like to contact your child's class teacher, you can email them at the following email addresses. Please allow at least one working day for a reply. For anything urgent, please contact the school office.

Year R - teacher.flowerbee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Year 1/2 - teacher.bumblebee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Year 3/4 - teacher.honeybee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
Year 5/6 - teacher.ivybee@brighstoneprimary.org.uk
The Nest resourced provision - thenest@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:

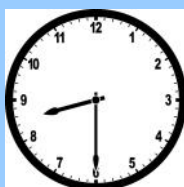
8.25am: Gates open

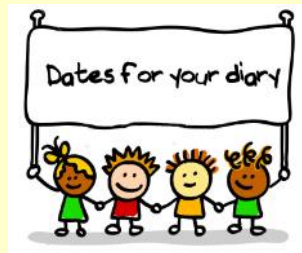
8.30am: School starts

3pm: School ends

3.10pm: Gates close

Many thanks.





School Term Dates for 2025-2026

Friday 17th July:	BSA Summer Sizzler
Saturday 18th July:	BHS Summer Show (country dancing)
Wednesday 22nd July:	Whole school summer play (2pm)
Thursday 23rd July:	Whole school summer play (6pm)
Friday 24th July:	Last day of term; Summer Shindig

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

Day 5: Monday 27th July 2026

Term dates are available on our school website: <https://www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk/calendar/>

Academic year 2026-2027

Tuesday 1st September:	School closed for staff development day
Wednesday 2nd September:	School closed for staff development day
Thursday 3rd September:	First day back for children

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