The Buzz

November 13th 2026



We could not be any prouder of our children this week: On Sunday 8th and Wednesday 11th, our children took part in the **Remembrance Services** at Brighstone War Memorial, representing our school community with such dignity and respect. Some of our children laid wreaths, while our Head Boy and Head Girl proudly recited the Kohima Epitaph: "When You Go Home, Tell Them Of Us And Say, For Your Tomorrow, We Gave Our Today." The whole school also joined together to observe the two-minute silence and sang 'We Will Remember' in fine voice. Our school value of 'Respect' shone through in every moment. The children were thoughtful, respectful and a real credit to our school. We are incredibly proud of them all.





Today our children were invited to come to school in non-uniform and show off their funky hairstyles in support of the **BBC Children in Need** appeal!
We are delighted to share that, together with the generous donations from our Preschool families, we have raised a wonderful £**175** so far!
A huge thank you to everyone who donated and joined in. Your generosity will make a difference!





As the weather gets colder and winter bugs become more common, please ensure children come to school with a suitable coat and, if needed, an extra layer such as a fleece or hoodie to wear as well as their school jumper or cardigan. We want children to be warm and comfortable during **outdoor play**, particularly on colder or drizzly days.
We are also encouraging everyone to take extra care with hand **hygiene** to help prevent the spread of coughs and colds. Please remind children to wash their hands regularly, particularly before eating, and to catch coughs and sneezes in their elbow or a tissue, disposing of tissues straight away and washing their hands afterwards. Thank you for helping us keep our school community healthy this winter!



Every day matters!

Every day really does count! Being in school regularly gives children the best opportunity to learn, build friendships, develop confidence and make the most of everything school has to offer.
We know that children get ill, but where they are well enough to attend, please help us to make every day count. Our attendance aim is simple: be a H.E.R.O. – Here Every day, Ready and On-time!



W/C 9th November
National Attendance Target **95%**
Whole School Attendance: 92.06

Late Marks: 4

Letters to action:



Letters/Emails regarding the **Panto trip** next month went out this week.

Please let Mrs Pelosi know if you haven't received an email and/or you would prefer a paper copy.

Updates/Reminders



- We would like to share our congratulations with **Mrs Baker** on the wonderful news that she is expecting twins! Such exciting news for her and her family. Mrs Baker is hoping to continue working for as long as she can, and we will, of course, keep parents updated regarding arrangements for maternity cover in due course.
- There are global issues with email accounts linked to **Microsoft**. We are doing our best to ensure families receive relevant information. This issue is out of our control and we thank you for your patience.
- Please ensure you do not walk through the school **car park** on New Road. Staff members arrive and leave at different times of the day. Please use the path.
- Our school **Facebook** page is open to all and you do not need a Facebook account to view it.
- If you have any **queries or concerns**, please speak to Mrs Jones in the first instance or make an appointment with Mrs Grainger.

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GOLDEN BOOK

Bumblebee	**Evan** for consistently demonstrating a super attitude to learning. **Darcie** for her confidence in giving things a go in maths and her explanations this week.
Honeybee	**Harvey** for hard work in maths, using equipment to help him to cross a boundary when subtracting. **Matthew** for thoughtful discussion in English when talking about Stone age boy.
Ivybee	**Sky** for diligently and safely giving instructions and advice when guiding their blindfolded partner through an assault course. **Charlie** and **Quinn** for diligently and safely giving instructions and advice when guiding their blindfolded partner through an assault course. Quinn for diligently and safely giving instructions and advice when guiding their blindfolded partner through an assault course.
The Nest	**Tucker** for attempting to use makaton and vocalisations when asking for 'more' in a play situation. **Hunter-Harley** for showing perseverance when putting on his own socks and shoes, and needing very little adult support. Rian for using his words to express himself.
Bee-Haviour	**Grayson** for his improved attitude towards reading for pleasure.

Afterschool Clubs Autumn 2 -

all clubs need to have been booked



Club	Dates	Club Leader/Where
Christmas Choir	**Mondays** 9/11 16/11 23/11 30/11	Mrs Jones & Mrs Herbert– The Hall/The Nest
Knitting	**Mondays** 9/11 16/11 23/11 30/11	Mrs Baker/Mrs Cousins - Honeybee Classroom
Bellringing	**Wednesdays** 11/11 18/11 25/11 2/12 9/12	Steve and Beccy - The Church
Christmas Craft		Mrs Aram/Miss Pelosi – Bumblebee Classroom
Sports Skills		Mr and Mrs Holmes - The Hall



Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 16th December



Christmas BSA Raffle Tickets
Your children will be bringing home two books of raffle tickets to sell. We would be really grateful if you could help us spread the word and sell them far and wide to family and friends!

A few important reminders:

- Please complete the ticket stubs and return them, along with the money, to the School Office in an envelope labelled 'Raffle' by Friday 4th December.
- If you would like any additional tickets to sell, please pop into the School Office to collect more.
- Please also return any unsold tickets to school by **Friday 4th December**, so that we can sell them at our Christmas Fayre.



Happy selling, everyone!

Every ticket sold makes a difference. All proceeds go directly towards providing exciting trips and valuable resources for our children. Thank you, as always, for your fantastic support!