

The Buzz

3rd May 2024



Learning and Achieving Through
Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,



Y4 children had a fabulous time at **Tile Barn** in Hampshire this week. If you haven't already, please do visit our Facebook page to see all the fun activities that they got up to. Thank you to Mrs Baker, Mr Goldsmith and Mrs Johnstone for taking them and ensuring that they had such a great time.



On Tuesday morning in Y1/2, the legal teams representing **Mr. BB Wolf** put forward their prosecution and defence cases to presiding Judge Fairclough. They spoke very well, and very convincingly, and Judge Fairclough found it very difficult to reach a verdict. Fortunately for Mr. Wolf, he was found to be innocent of all charges, as it was felt that this was a case of mistaken identity. **WATCH OUT...**



On Wednesday, some of our **bell ringers** had a taste of fame! BBC South Today had heard about our bell ringing club and wanted to do a feature on them, as not many schools have their own bell ringing club! The children were filmed showing their skills in the bell tower, and talking about the special occasions that they ring for. Naomi Carter and Jade Kennett from the Local Authority came along as well, and were very impressed with the children's behaviour and their enthusiasm. Thank you to Steve and Beccy for organising these fantastic opportunities for our children and community, and for keeping this tradition alive. We will let you know when the feature will be aired.



Today, Honey Bee class had the most wonderful experience of a **shadow puppet show**, followed by a workshop where they were able to make their own shadow puppets, write a story in a group and then perform to their peers. They were able to be extremely creative and it was a very fun morning indeed! Thank you so much to Liz and Julia for this experience. Please visit our Facebook page to see more photos and the videos of their puppet shows.



We would all like to say a huge thank you to Quinn and his family for buying the school a set of **Dog Man books**. They have already proven to be very popular and are flying off the shelves!



A few reminders

If your child would like to take part in **Schools' Walk the Wight**, please do sign up: <https://www.mountbatten.org.uk/swt>

Please do sign up for the **country dancing** at Shorwell Midsummer Fair, and keep this tradition going! (See separate email for details.)

I hope you have a lovely long weekend.

With very best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone team



Collective Worship - Service

This week, we have been thinking about 'giving with no strings attached'.

Some children re-enacted a short play about a girl who bought some flapjacks to give to her friends. Some of her friends thought that she did it because she expected something in return, but she didn't. She did it 'with no strings attached' and out of the goodness of her heart.

We talked about how we can do things for other people without expecting anything in return. We could also do this 'in secret', without telling them! Some children said that they picked up someone's coat from the floor and put it on their peg, and some said that they made their brother's bed; these are really good examples.

What could you do for others without expecting anything in return?



Prayer of St. Augustine

Eternal God,
You are...
The light of minds that know you
The joy of hearts that love you
And the strength of the wills that serve you.
Help us so to know you
That we may truly love you,
And so to love you that
We may fully serve you
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
Amen



"Serve one another in love."
Galatians 5.13



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 **£2.90** per day.

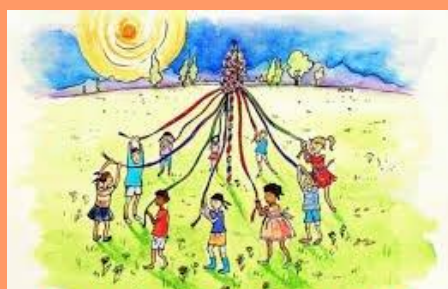
Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pizza	Beef Burger	BBQ Chicken	Turkey Lasagne	Fish Fingers
Option 2	BBQ Quorn Fillet	Vegetarian Burger	Cheese Ploughman's	Veggie Chilli	Quorn Dippers
Dessert	Crispy Bar/Fruit	Jelly	Cake	Ice Cream	Flapjack

Poetry Corner

On May Day

On May Day we dance,
On May Day we sing,
For this is the day
That we welcome the spring.

Anonymous

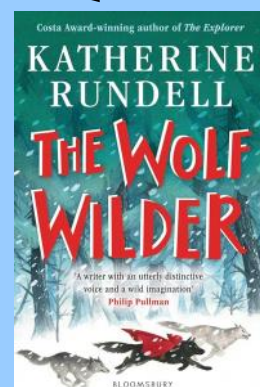


Reading Recommendations

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

This week, Sammy G recommends:

It's very dramatic but slightly sad at times. I'd say it's very exciting because there's a lot going on throughout the story.
I definitely recommend this book.



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

0808 800 5000

Find out more

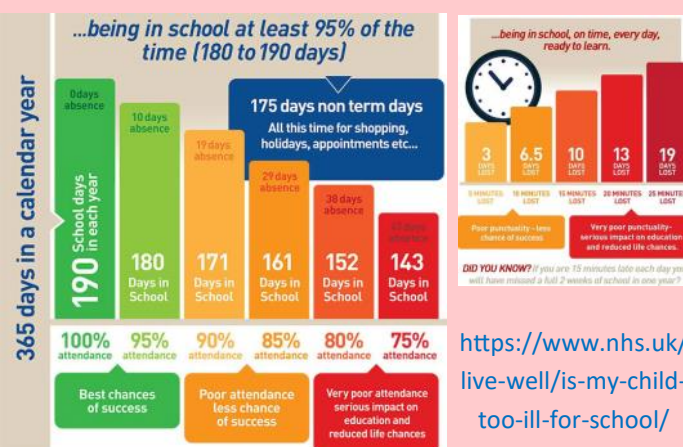
Or call children's services 0300 300 0117

Attendance Matters!

Week Commencing 29th April
Whole School attendance target: **96.5%**

Actual Attendance: 94.73%

Late marks this week: 4



Golden Book

Bumble Bee	Luka-Bear for enthusiastic Maths and reading green words in our RWI lessons. Ellie, Holly, Tristan and Bethan for showing courage in speaking so confidently at Mr Wolf's trial on Tuesday.
Honey Bee	Charlie for his independent writing in English about Fox.
Ivy Bee	Poppy J, Ila, Izzy and Lucy W for their fantastic independent work in Science this week. <i>They carried out a very accurate experiment measuring craters made by an asteroid (ball), hitting the lunar regolith (a tray of flour, to mimic the surface of the moon!) AND they didn't manage to spread flour everywhere. They showed great respect for the classroom environment and for each other in their turn taking and efficient working.</i>
Bee-Haviour	Helena for always showing kind consideration to other children.
Sport Bee	Alice for being a good team member and helping her team with their golf shots. Zara for some outstanding golf putting.



SEMH

Social, Emotional & Mental Health

How to nurture a child's mental health

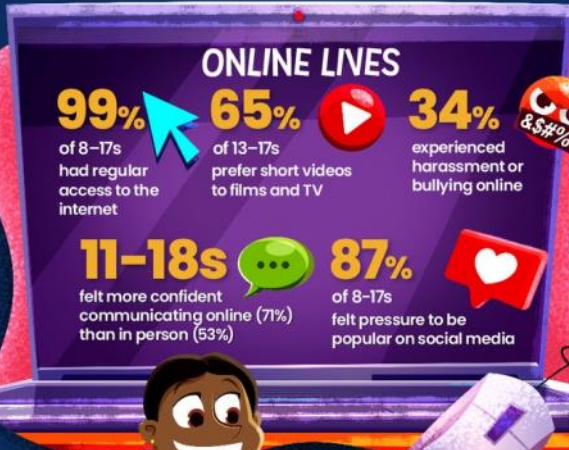


Online Safety

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

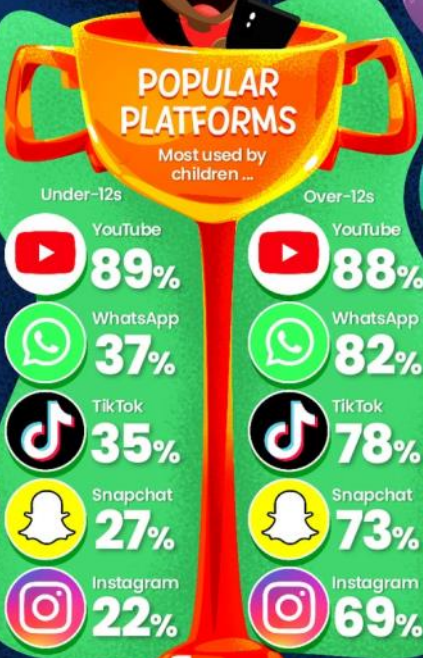
What Parents & Educators Can Learn from the OFCOM MEDIA REPORT 2024

Each year, Ofcom - the UK's regulatory body for communications - produces an overview of children and parents' media experiences over the course of the previous year. At the time of writing, the latest of these reports, 'Children and parents: media use and attitudes 2024' has just been published, and we've plucked out some of its most thought-provoking findings regarding online safety.



SCREEN TIME

By children's age group, the percentage of parents who felt less able to manage their child's screentime were ...



ONLINE GAMING



PARENTAL CONCERNS

The things that most commonly worry parents and carers about their child being online include ...

- 77%** seeing age-inappropriate content
- 70%** being harassed or bullied
- 68%** seeing pro-self-harm content
- 62%** having their data gathered by companies
- 59%** being influenced by extreme views
- 55%** having their reputation damaged
- 51%** being pressured to spend money

ONLINE SAFETY IN SCHOOLS

- 93%** 8-17s had at least one lesson about online safety
- 93%** of children are aware of at least one thing they can do to stay safe online
- 91%** children found these lessons useful
- 78%** of 8-17s were aware of age restrictions for apps
- 40%** admitted to faking their age to bypass these limits

DEVICES MOST USED TO GO ONLINE



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at nationalcollege.com/guides/media-use-and-attitudes-report-2024

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Read the report [here](#)



Brighstone School Association

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



SIGN UP FORM IS
IN THE OFFICE

COME AND JOIN IN
THE FUN TO HELP
US RUN THE TEA
TENT AND
CHILDRENS CRAFTS

CAN YOU HELP
FOR AN HOUR
OR LONGER?

**Wolverton
Folk & Blues**

SATURDAY 11th MAY 2024
11.30am - 8.00pm
at Wolverton Manor, Shorwell,
Isle of Wight. PO30 3JS

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PLEASE
SUPPORT US BY
PUTTING YOUR
NAME ON THE
LIST



Brighstone School Association

MUFTI DAY

Friday 10th May 2024

In return of wearing your own clothes please can you bring in a cake for us to sell at Wolverton

Ideally we would love homemade if you have time

Some ideas

Cupcakes/biscuits, Traybakes/Flapjacks

Chocolate, Classics eg lemon drizzle, vic sponge, coffee and walnut, fruit etc

Any cake goes, don't feel you have to stick to the list, they are just ideas, please bring in what you can.

Thank you for your support.

We will post up some recipes from our cookbook on our facebook page for ideas too.

Gluten free and vegan cakes very welcome



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*Brighstone
CE
Primary
Presents...*

SCIENCE DAY 2024

MONDAY
22ND
JULY

After the spectacular success of our Science Day last year, parents, grandparents and friends are invited to come and speak about what they do, and how science is involved, with one of our classes.

Last year we welcomed: vets; a fishmonger; an aerospace engineer; a water drainage expert; a wind turbine designer; a food technologist and enjoyed a visiting natural history museum.

ALL contributions are welcome than you- even if you participated last year. We'd love to host you in a different class.

Please contact Mrs Denness via the school office.

Respect Charter

at Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School

At Brighstone C.E. 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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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:

- Shouting, either in person or over the telephone
- Speaking in an aggressive/threatening tone
- Physically intimidating; e.g. standing very close
- The use of aggressive hand gestures/exaggerated movements
- Physical threats
- Shaking or holding a fist towards another person
- Swearing and name calling
- Pushing
- Slapping, punching, hitting or kicking
- Racist, homophobic or other hateful behaviour
- Sexist comments or sexual innuendo
- Disrespecting religion or belief
- 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 comment

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:

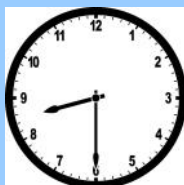
8.25am: Gates open

8.30am: School starts

3pm: School ends

3.10pm: Gates close

Many thanks.



Key dates this year

2023-2024 academic year

- Saturday 11th May: Wolverton Folk and Blues Festival (helpers needed!)
- Sunday 12th May: Walk the Wight
- W/C 13th May: Y6 SATs
- Friday 24th May: Last day of term
- Monday 27th - Friday 31st May: Half term
- Sunday 2nd June: Northcourt Manor Open Gardens (helpers needed!)
- Monday 3rd June: School closed for staff development day
- Tuesday 4th June: Back to school
- Saturday 15th June: Shorwell Midsummer Fair
- Wednesday 18th - Friday 21st June: Y6 residential in London
- Friday 5th July: Sports Day
- Tuesday 9th July: Transition Day
- Friday 12th July: Y6 Leavers' Service at Portsmouth Cathedral
- Friday 12th July: Reports go home
- Tuesday 16th July: Parents Evening 3.15pm - 6pm
- Friday 19th July: Sports Day (back-up day)
- Friday 19th July: Summer Sizzler
- Monday 22nd July: Science Day
- Wednesday 24th July: Forest Day
- Thursday 25th July: Last day of term; Y6 Leavers' Service in St Mary's Church
- Friday 26th July: School closed for staff development day

Term dates are also available on our school website.

