



Wootton Community Primary School

Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 25th May— Reception height and weight checks (more details to follow)
- Friday 28th May— Wessex Cancer Trust sponsored workout with Wolly.
- **Mon 31st May—Fri 4th June—Half Term**
- Tues 13th and Weds 14th July—Transition Days
- Friday 16th July— Reports home
- Friday 16th July— Provisional Carnival picnic.
- Weds 21st July—Open Evening.
- Thurs 22nd July— Children's last day and Year 6 leavers treat.
- Fri 23rd July— Development day— school closed
- **Mon 26th Jul— Monday 30th Aug— Summer break**

More dates to follow

7th May 2021

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parents,

Thank you for attending your child's parents evening this week. Apart from a few technical issues, all staff have been able to meet with most of you. If you were unable to meet your child's teacher this week they will be in touch to arrange a quick catch up with you. We are so proud of all the children's achievements and progress despite having had a challenging year, and staff really want to be able to share this with you. We have now completed our data analysis and feel very confident that children are working hard to cover missed learning as a result of lockdown, however we are so pleased that the impact of this has not been as big as we thought it may have been. As the vast majority of children fully engaged with the home learning during lockdown they have very quickly re-engaged with their learning and are keen and motivated to learn. For children in Years 1 to 6 please continue to support your child with their reading and times tables at home and ensure that they have accessed their homework on Google Classroom, thank you.

Next week schools across the country will be exploring mental health as part of 'National Mental Health Awareness week'. We are very conscious that during the pandemic children have been exposed to a range of different adult emotions and are referring to these themselves. We are becoming increasingly concerned that children are describing themselves as 'being stressed' or 'having anxiety' which are extreme conditions, usually requiring a diagnosis. We will be working with the children to explore how these conditions can be experienced by children but more often the feelings which children currently have are a result of finding it difficult to adjust to being back in school and still not being able to access things in the usual way. So many children will have been impacted by the lockdowns but are demonstrating such resilience of which we will continue to develop with them.

In our assembly today we congratulated our Star Pupils; many congratulations to Joseph and Arya in Reception, Theo in Year 1, Theodore in Year 2, Lauren in Year 3, Rueben in Year 4, Imogen in Year 5 and Gareth in Year 6. I was particularly pleased to share in the assembly that several children had been chosen this week for their work ethic and being such excellent role models - well done everyone! We also congratulated our top 5 coin earners for Timetables Rockstars, this week they are Gabrielle in Year 5, Edinburgh in Year 3, Scarlett in Year 5, Sinan in Year 6 and Koby in Year 3, great to see some different names in the top places this week!

All the children in Years 1 to 6 have now completed the prejudicial toolkit I referred to a few weeks ago. We will now ensure the areas the children were not familiar with are covered in class so that the children are fully equipped with appropriate life long skills. I have attached a leaflet with further information regarding the areas we will be exploring.

You may also recall in the newsletter last week I provided some information to support your child remaining safe when communicating online, including how to manage cyber bullying. It has been brought to my attention that sadly some parents are not acting as positive role models and have been involved with an online dispute regarding parking. Whilst I cannot be involved with incidents that take place off the school premises I would just like to ask that the correct approach is used to ensure that parents do not feel victimised or intimidated, thank you.

Mrs Cowell has developed an exciting and purposeful outside learning environment in the sensory garden for the Reception class whilst they are temporarily relocated. She is in need of an old microwave for their mud kitchen. If this is something you have please can you let Miss Holmes know, thank you.

In the meantime I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Jane Wilford
Headteacher



WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in year 1 we have continued to read the story of George's Marvellous Medicine. The children were very excited to find out what happened to Grandma once she had the new medicine and came up with some great descriptions. In Math we have started to look at numbers up to 100. We have been finding missing numbers and will now be moving onto addition using a number line and 100 square. In science we continued to look at deciduous and evergreen trees and explored the differences in the leaves that the tree grow.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 have started a new book in English called The Night Gardener. We started by making predictions and asking questions about the story. We then had some great discussions about the parts of the story we like and dislike. In Maths we are continuing to work on addition and subtraction of 2 digit numbers, but this week we have focused on crossing ten. In Science we are learning about plants. We have set up an investigation to find the best growing conditions for plants. We will keep observing our plants over the next few weeks and decide which conditions are best.

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

A busy week for Year 3 who have been creatively writing inspired by the author Colin Thompson. Some super writing where children have demonstrated their understanding of how prepositions can add detail for the reader, we have also looked at how to include speech in our stories that has a purpose. In maths we have shown great resilience to work through some tricky problems involving division and multiplication, learning how to break a problem down to ensure we understand the question. I've loved seeing all of Year 3 grow in confidence with their swimming and try so hard to listen to instructions so they can improve their strokes. Well done Year 3!

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

Year Four has been faced with a difficult decision in English this week: should the evacuees (from our book) rescue or report some stranded enemy pilots?! We have tapped into our emotions to explore how the characters might have been feeling and used a variety of conjunctions to debate the rights and wrongs of helping the enemy... We also exercised our debating skills in History with some questions about WW2 rationing: was it healthier? Tastier? Easier to cook? The children are looking forward to competing in the NSPCC Times Table Rockstars competition on Friday!

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

A massive well done to year 5 this week, even though it was only a four day week we have managed to pack so much in! In English, the children have been creating their own 1st person narratives based around an adventure, taking inspiration from our book Journey to Jo'burg. The children have developed amazing descriptions that really immersed the reader. In maths, the children continued to investigate geometry focusing on reflection, translation and co-ordinates. The children have really enjoyed music this week, our lessons have been based on the song the Fresh Prince of Bel Air. Year 5 have been composing their own raps, I can't wait to hear the finished product!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

On Tuesday, Year 6 had a special visit from the NHS ambulance crew who trained all of the children in CPR. He was very impressed with their knowledge and quick learning! I'm pleased to say that each and every Year 6 student represented our school in a manner which made me very proud. In reading we are moving full steam ahead in keeping up with the escapades of Percy Jackson and his friends on their quest to find Zeus' stolen lightning bolt! The children beg me to keep reading every day! In writing, our informational reports are nearly complete! We've learned how to choose questions to focus our research, to choose websites that meet our needs, to take notes and give credit to the sources, and to compile our notes into coherent, well-organized paragraphs. Our final step is to learn how to craft the perfect conclusion. In maths we are revisiting multiplication to ensure that our skills are as sharp as they can be! To that end, please ensure that your child is logging in to Times Tables Rock Stars as much as possible! Finally, we have entered our artwork into a national competition called, The Heroes Stamp Design Competition. The children have drawn pictures to honour the heroes of the pandemic, and are hoping that their drawings will be chosen as one of 8 new stamps to be released in a special series by the Royal Mail!

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception we have been busy learning about halving. These have been practical activities and very hands on. The children have learnt that when you half something you each have the same amount. We have also been writing about our weekend news and have tried to use as many tricky words as possible. We also planned our sentence and kept repeating it throughout to check we had remembered all our words. We have also been 'camping' in our outside area, explored the climbing ladder and spent time observing some fresh flowers before painting them on our easel.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY—Sausage Roll & Wedges, with Marble Cake for Pudding.

TUESDAY— Chicken Pasta, with Fruit or Yogurt for Pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Pork, with Pear & Ginger Slice for Pudding.

THURSDAY — Chicken Pizza and Wedges, with Chocolate Cake for Pudding.

FRIDAY— Battered Fish and Chips, with Orange & Lemon Shortbread for Pudding.

Star Pupils

Yaverland	Joseph and Arya
Carisbrooke	Theo
Bembridge	Theodore
Newchurch	Lauren
Newtown	Rueben
Freshwater	Immy
Appley	Gareth



Please ensure you email an absence note within 2 weeks of your child being absent, otherwise it will be marked down as unauthorised.

	Attendance This Week (%)	Rolling Attendance since Sept (%)
Yaverland	90.6	96.2
Carisbrooke	96.3	96.2
Bembridge	99.2	96.9
Newchurch	99.6	97.9
Newtown	99.3	97.8
Freshwater	98.7	97.9
Appley	97.6	97.6
Whole School	97.4	97.2

***The class with the best attendance this week was:
Newchurch***

	Lates This Week	Lates since Sept
Yaverland	2	15
Carisbrooke	0	17
Bembridge	0	0
Newchurch	0	30
Newtown	1	19
Freshwater	0	2
Appley	0	6
Whole School	3	59
Total Minutes	50	1577

***Our school target is 96.5%.
We are currently ABOVE target, and aim for our children to be in school 100% of the time!***

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Sat 5th & Sun 6th June 2021
Sandown Airport

Sat 5th June 10:00 Jurassic Park 13:30 The Greatest Showman 17:00 Dirty Dancing 20:30 Bridesmaids	 WESSEX CANCER TRUST	Sun 6th June 10:00 The Lion King (2019) 13:30 Mamma Mia! 17:00 Grease 20:30 The Hangover
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Sunday, 18th July
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3K Fun Run 🎉 Powder Paint 🎉
Giant Inflatables 🎉 Bubble Stations

Walk, run or dance your way through
the Island's happiest 3K and help us
celebrate our 40th birthday!

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