



Wootton Community Primary School

Dates for your diary:

- Mon 12th July— Reception to Dinosaur Isle
- Friday 16th July— Reports home
- Friday 16th July— Transition day for YR-5
- Mon 19th July—EYFS & KS1 Sports Afternoon (school only)
- Tues 20th July—KS2 Sports Afternoon (school only)
- Weds 21st July— Virtual 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

2nd July 2021

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parents,

It has been another really busy week for everyone in school. I am delighted that following a monitoring visit from our Hampshire inspector yesterday, my findings were confirmed in that the children are continuing to progress and have an excellent work ethic. She was particularly impressed with the writing she saw from the children in our Reception class where the children were thoroughly immersed in their learning exploring facts about fossils and dinosaurs, in particular making predictions as to what will grow from an egg they are hatching! The children confidently used their phonics to write some incredible labels for their work, demonstrating an excellent understanding. I know that everyone is becoming increasingly tired after a very challenging year, but I am so very proud of all the children and staff in that they are continuing to push forward and make up for lost time during the different lockdowns. That being said, with just three weeks left, we have noticed a significant decline in our school attendance. Whilst I really appreciate that so many children are struggling with a range of common summer illnesses and tiredness, I need to remind you that the government guidance and expectation is that children are expected to attend school unless unwell. Please therefore can you ensure your child is attending for the remainder of the school year so that they can continue to access work and consolidate their learning, thank you.

Talking of September, I was able to share in the virtual assembly today the staffing arrangements for September as below:

Yaverland Class (Reception) Mrs Cowell and Miss Shephard

Carisbrooke Class (Year 1) Miss Austin and Mrs Bailey

Bembridge Class (Year 2) Mrs Barker, Mrs Dew and Mrs Parsons

Newchurch Class (Year 3) Mrs Deakin, Mrs Shaw, Miss Wood and Miss Clifford (AM)

Newtown Class (Year 4) Miss Paterson (Monday & Tuesday), Mrs Digweed (Weds to Friday)

and support staff to be confirmed

Freshwater Class (Year 5) Mrs Lounds, Mrs Gilbert and Mrs Melvin (AM)

Appley Class (Year 6) Miss Salter, Mrs Harrison, Mrs Menzies (AM) and Miss Clifford (PM)

Mr Billington will continue to deliver PE lessons across the school.

As we recognise the children have had such a turbulent time in school due to Covid, where possible teachers are moving up with their class or to a teacher they have had before to support progress, but where this is not possible the children will have the support of their Teaching Assistants.

You will notice a few new names and that Mrs Soby is not on the list. Mrs Soby will be leaving us at the end of term to move back to Devon. Sadly, her plans have changed and her family are no longer going to relocate to the Island to join her as they had hoped, but they have an exciting new venture to begin. I know that the children in Year 3 have enjoyed being with Mrs Soby since Christmas, and we all wish her every success as she returns to her family.

Our new teachers will have the opportunity to spend a day with their classes on Friday 16th July when we will have our own transition day. The children will move to their new rooms and complete activities with their new staff teams. Therefore, on **Friday 16th July** the children will need to go straight to their new classrooms when they arrive and will need to be collected from the same place. Staff will be available to direct you if you are unsure as to where your child will be in September. The new Years 4, 5 and 6 will remain in the mobile classrooms until October half-term, but will have the opportunity to see their new rooms on the 16th.

In assembly today we congratulated Rocco in Year 3 who was awarded an end of season medal and trophy for all his hard work and teamwork with his football team, Well done Rocco!

Our top 5 coins earners for TTRS this week are Huxley in Year 3, Scarlett in Year 5, Rocco in Year 3, Gabrielle in Year 5 and Edinburgh in Year 3 - the battle between Year 3 and Year 5 continues . Well done everyone!

Our Star Pupils this week have been chosen for reasons such as progress in writing, independence and enthusiastic effort in learning. Many congratulations to Emire and Harlan in Reception, Daisy in Year 1, Evie in Year 2, Florence in Year 3, Summer in Year 4, Joshua in Year 5 and Holly in Year 6.

Thank you to Koby in Year 3 who has very kindly donated some lovely wooden toys for our Reception class.

Our Year 6 children are working really hard with Mr Billington to plan our sports activities for the sports events at the end of term. Year 6 children will have received an invitation to their end of primary celebration on Thursday 22nd July. Please ensure that you email me headteacher@woottonpri.iow.sch.uk to confirm if your child is attending so that we can purchase enough food. We are so disappointed that we cannot involve parents with this but feel that is more important for the children to be able to have a good 'send off' than nothing at all! We will endeavour to film their end of school leavers service so that you can access this to share the children's memories - we will send more information home soon.

In the meantime have a lovely weekend,

Jane Wilford
Headteacher



WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week year one have been completing their leaflets about The Isle of Wight. We are going to send our leaflets, along with our letters to Paddington. In Math we have been looking at 2D and 3D shapes. The children have been sorting shapes into groups and looking at the different properties. We also designed our sock puppets. We all decided what animals we are going to create and what we can sew onto our socks in order to create them.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week we have been learning about instructions. We thought carefully about the features of instructions and the vocabulary used. We wrote a plan for instructions to capture a fox. We have been focusing on subtraction in Maths. The children answered some true and false subtraction questions this week and used lots of different ways to prove their answers. In Science we started an investigation about when humans stop growing. We had fun measuring each other's height and creating a bar chart.



WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

At last we have completed our non fiction leaflets on earthquakes. Children showed their expertise at using a range of non fiction features, as well as including an explanation and set of instructions on how to keep safe in an earthquake. A huge congratulations to all the children who submitted super homework, the level of care and attention they gave was impressive and they earnt five raffle tickets each for their additional leaflets.

In maths we have begun using a range of scales to measure capacity and weight. They have mastered measuring accurately in cm/mm and used this skill to measure and work out perimeters of 2D shapes. In French we have been learning how to name zoo animals and describe them, looking at the position of the noun and adjective. Our clay baubles are ready for painting in bright colours and show features of nature in the style of Gaudi. Take a look at our creations.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

This week year 4 have enjoyed combining their learning in Computing and English to create informative presentations based on endangered animals. They have researched a plethora of intriguing facts about Orangutans and thought carefully about the best way to organise this non-chronological writing on the page. We also have some extremely passionate and persuasive class members who have written powerful letters pleading with the world to stop deforestation in the Amazon rainforest. The children have really impressed us with their detailed reasoning and fervour for this important topic - some budding environmentalists I think! Newtown class has also begun work on a "breaking news" project in Computing and have worked on a simulated News Desk, taking calls, emails, texts and more to begin to piece together a news report - which is continually developing and evolving by the minute. The children really enjoyed taking on this journalistic role and hope to share their finalised front pages next week. Watch this space!

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week year 5 have really liked describing character, and investigating how Hugo changes throughout the story. They have been able to apply their understanding of figurative language to their work. In maths the children have really persevered with formal written methods of multiplication and division. They have risen to the challenge and applied their times tables to help them. In science, the children created a Wootton nature guide, they enjoyed investigating the types of wildlife around the school. In PE, the children have been working on their athletics skills in preparation for sports day, they are very excited!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week year 6 have taken on the role of travel agents and are creating travel brochures. They are trying to entice holiday makers to visit Prospero's deserted island from Shakespeare's The Tempest. This is no easy feat, since in reality this island is super spooky and desolate! The children are being very crafty with how they describe the island in their brochures so that unsuspecting customers will think it sounds amazing. In maths we are just about to wrap up our unit on fractions, decimals, and percentages. We are then moving on to ratios. In PE, the children have been hard at work assisting Mr Billington in planning sports day for EYFS! They are designing the activities themselves, and will be in charge of running sports day for the little ones. This activity is a lovely right of passage for our oldest students and we are all looking forward to the day they get to execute all their carefully planned activities.

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have been trying hard to write more during our adult led news writing. We also had to remember to include a capital letter, finger spaces and a full stop. Mrs Cowell was very impressed with Oliver who wrote a lot and when shown to a couple of adults they could read his work without Oliver needing to help them! We also learnt some more dinosaur facts and wrote these down. In maths we have been learning about capacity and have explored how much water different sized containers would hold. We used some wonderful vocabulary and could explain our reasoning. In art the children created some great 3D models of dinosaurs.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Cheese and Tomato French Bread Pizza, with a Cookie for pudding.

TUESDAY— Spaghetti Bolognese, with Yogurt or Fruit for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Chicken, with Cake for pudding.

THURSDAY — Cottage Pie, with Chocolate Brownie for pudding.

FRIDAY— Fish and Chips, with Peaches & Ice Cream for pudding.

Star Pupils

Yaverland	Harlan and Emire
Carisbrooke	Daisy
Bembridge	Evie
Newchurch	Florence
Newtown	Summer
Freshwater	Joshua
Appley	Holly



Holiday activities

A wide range of engaging activities with a nutritious meal are on offer for all ages during the summer holidays.

Free places available for children who receive benefit-related free school meals.

Places are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment.
To find out more and book, visit: www.connect4communities.co.uk

1. The activity providers are as follows:

Aspire Ryde

Children's play session and healthy meal in the Kingdom play activity centre. Forty spaces available per day over the holidays. Email: info@aspireryde.org.uk

Brading Bunch

The Brading Bunch are offering sessions for eight to 18 year olds at Brading Youth and Community Centre. Offering lots of activities ranging from music and theatre workshops to arts and crafts. Bookings: gin.jane.b@gmail.com

CM Sports

CM Sports is offering sports coaching and arts and crafts activities for eligible children aged five to 11 in Newport (Barton Primary and Nine Acres Primary). Bookings: 02392 987881 or visit: <http://www.cm-sports.co.uk>

Community Action

Community Action are delivering activities such as sports, drama, singing and yoga for ages eight to 16 years old at the Parkside Pavilion in East Cowes. Bookings email HAF@actioniw.org.uk

Island Riding Centre

Riding sessions with a healthy lunch provided for ages six to 14. Bookings: (01983) 214000 or email summer@islandriding.com

Nine Acres Primary School

Nine Acres Primary School are providing activities for ages six to ten years old. Activities include art, music and team games. Bookings: lauren.shobbrook@nineacrespri.co.uk or call: (01983) 522984.

Scallywags (Broadlea Primary School)

Scallywags Holiday Fun Club are offering spaces for ages three to 18 years old. Email: scallywags0@btinternet.com for more information.

Theatre Educational

Theatre Educational has a range of professional, experienced community arts tutors who will provide arts and theatre themed activity for seven to 16 year olds at Oakfield and Barton primary schools. Visit www.theatreeducational.co.uk

West Wight Nursery

West Wight Nursery are offering places for five to ten year olds. Bookings: (01983) 640190.

YMCA

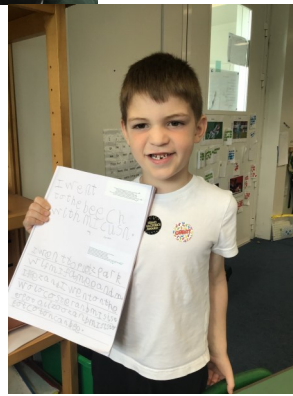
YMCA are offering places at its day camps throughout the summer holidays for children aged up to 12 years old. Email: whnursery@ymca-fg.org or call (01983) 862441 (option 4).

Ventnor Town Council

Ventnor Town Council are providing sessions at St Catherine's School offering activities including arts and crafts, sports, bush craft and much more. For 11 to 16 years old. Email: jordan@ventnortowncouncil.org.uk

Ventnor Community Early Years

Ventnor Community Early Years are providing sessions offering activities including gymnastics, dance, arts and crafts, sports, and forest school and much more. For five to ten year olds. Email: ventnorcommunityearlyyears@gmail.com or call (01983) 856868.



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	86.6	94.9
Carisbrooke	92.3	96
Bembridge	95.9	96.5
Newchurch	100	98.1
Newtown	97.5	97.8
Freshwater	98.6	97.6
Appley	93.3	97.3
Whole School	94.9	96.9

The class with the best attendance this week was:
Newchurch

	Lates This Week	Lates since Sept
Yaverland	5	41
Carisbrooke	4	25
Bembridge	1	3
Newchurch	0	32
Newtown	0	20
Freshwater	0	27
Appley	0	6
Whole School	10	93
Total Minutes	190	2502

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