



# Wootton Community Primary School

## Dates for your diary:

**01.10.21** - Cauliflower cards sent home

**05.10.21** - Harvest Service at St Marks (Years 1 to 6), children only

**07.10.21** - Year 6 UKSA activity (see letter)

**07.10.21** - PTA AGM @ 7pm

**08.10.21** - Cauliflower cards

return to school deadline

**11.10.21** - School photos (more details to follow)

**Half-term Thursday 14th October (staff Development Day Friday 15th October), return Monday 1st November.**

**09.11.21** - Parents evening

(more details to follow)

**10.11.21** - Parents evening

(more details to follow)

**08.12.21** - Christmas performance 1.30pm & 6pm (more details to follow)

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**16.12.21** - Christmas Dinner

(more details to follow)

**17.12.21** - Christmas parties

(more details to follow)

**20.12.21** - Christingle service

(children only)

**Break up for Christmas Monday 20th December (staff Development Day Tuesday 21st December), return Tuesday 4th January 2022.**

**Break up for half-term Friday 18th February 2022, return Monday 28th February 2022.**

**Break up for Easter Friday 8th April 2022, return Monday 25th April 2022**

**09.05.22** - End of Key Stage 2 SATs

**Break up for half-term Friday 27th May 2022, return Monday 6th June 2022**

**12&13.07.22** - Transition days

**Final day for children Thursday 21st July 2022 (staff Development Day Friday 22nd July 2022)**

1st October 2021

Dear Parents,

Mrs Lounds was very excited to share some post she had received this week with me. During the last term of the last academic year, Mrs Lounds entered her Year 6 class into a stamp design competition. Royal Mail invited schools to enter stamp designs which celebrated the pandemic heroes. Her Year 6 class at the time made some fantastic contributions which we sent off. This week Mrs Lounds received a certificate congratulating Wootton Community Primary School for being part of achieving the Guinness World Records title for the taking part in the largest stamp competition where a total of 606,049 entries were received. Unfortunately none of our designs won but we are so proud to receive a certificate congratulating us being Guinness World Records Holders - well done to our past Year 6 children and Mrs Lounds!

The children have been working hard to polish off their contributions to the Harvest Service next week. Thank you very much if you have offered to walk with us, and if there are any other parents who can help, please let the school office know, thank you. Thank you also to the food contributions already sent in. If you are able to spare any tins or food packets for us to take to the food bank we would be most grateful. We do a display in the church too and remind the children how fortunate we all are. Please send these items with your child on Monday, thank you.

Mrs Cowell is continuing to develop the outside learning area for Reception and is in need of some gravel for the outside of their new pond. If anyone has a spare bag of gravel they can donate to school please talk to Mrs Cowell and the Reception children, thank you.

Many congratulations to our Star Pupils this week and also to Quinn in Year 1 for enrolling at Rainbows, Sebby in Year 2 for his swimming grade badge and Phoenix C for her swimming distance badge.

Also well done to our top 5 TTRS this week for earning the most coins over the last 7 days. Our top earners this week are 1st place Koby, 2nd place Huxley, 3rd place Edinburgh all in Year 4, 4th place Travis in Year 2 and 5th place Tyler also in Year 4 - each child has been awarded 5 House Points for their hard work.

We also celebrated the fantastic win our girls Year 4 and 5 football team had this week. Please see the sports news section for more information. Many congratulations to the team - Chloe, Imogen, Lexi, Maddison, Penny, Molly, Phoenix R, Florence all in Year 4 and Millie in Year 3.

Thank you for your patience yesterday if you had to wait longer than expected to have your school dinner tasters! Chartwells were running late so this was out of our control, but I hope you enjoyed the selection of lovely food the children can now have for school dinner. Don't forget that next Thursday is the special lunch with an added treat of a strawberry or chocolate milkshake. School dinners can be booked

each day and the menu is shared on the newsletter each week. Please ensure payments are made by the end of each week using SchoolMoney, however children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 still receive a free meal in the same way if your children receives Pupil Premium Funding. As furlough is now coming to an end, if your circumstances have changed and you are on a low income and in receipt of benefits please do let us know so that we can apply for additional funding for your child. Children who receive this funding are entitled to a free school meal as well as discounts for school visits, activities etc. so do please contact Miss Holmes so that you can apply.

Your child should have brought home their Christmas card design today. Please follow the instructions to order any cards or gifts online and then return your child's design to us **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 8TH OCTOBER**. We will not be able to receive any designs that come in later than this date as they get collected from school by the Cauliflower Cards team. The school receive a percentage of the money spent which we will use to support our school library. Thank you for supporting this - I have seen some wonderful artwork going on so hope you enjoy your child's work too!

Next Thursday our Year 6 children have an exciting opportunity to partake in sailing and water safety activities at UKSA, this has been very popular in previous years so I know the children will have a fantastic time. Also next Thursday, the small group of children wishing to take part in the Carnival dance on the 15th have their first workshop with Katy Edmunds. There are still some spaces available so if your child in Years 3 to 6 would like to take part and perform in Wootton on Friday 15th, please let Miss Holmes know so they can be added to the list.

In the meantime I wish you all a lovely weekend - I cannot believe we have only two weeks left until half-term is here!

Jane Wilford  
Headteacher



## WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In Year 1 this week we started our new book 'Peace at Last' and we have all really enjoyed reading the story together and joining in with some of the words. We have predicted what might happen next and have focused on the opening scene by labelling the picture and writing a new first line for the story. In maths, we have continued with our counting and we also worked really hard to find one more and one less. The highlight of our week has to be our science lesson, where we have been focusing on the senses. We had to guess what was inside different rubber gloves by using our sense of touch – some of the gloves had sand, porridge oats, pasta, marbles and even cornflour inside!

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## WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In Year 2 this week we have been very busy. In English, we have been putting the finishing touches to our letters to Mrs Wilford. In Maths, we have used our knowledge of number bonds to 10 and 20 to help us complete part/whole models and bar models. During the afternoons, we have been using some of our art techniques to create our cauliflower card images. We have also reflected on a typical day and considered what choices we have and what choices others make. We have looked at the reasons why others might choose some of the things that happen in our day.

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## WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week we wrote instructions about how to make a dream jar potion then spent some time editing and improving our instructions. The children thought of lots of exciting ingredients to put in the potions! In Maths we are working on addition and subtraction and checking our answers using the inverse. We had a fun afternoon on Tuesday when the Carnival Company came in to deliver a flag making workshop. We learnt all about the history of Wootton then designed a flag which we will make next week. In Geography we continued our topic about UK and learnt all about the features of Wales.

## WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

This week Year Four have written their own monster stories, inspired by the Anglo-Saxon hero Beowulf and his battle against Grendel. They organised their writing into paragraphs with careful planning, they wrote using descriptive language so their reader could visualise the story, and they even remembered some prior learning such as similes and alliteration! Well done. In maths, we have moved from multiplication to fractions and the children are showing a good understanding of tenths. We tried a new printing method this week in art, using string to create repeating patterns. We have a very artistic class so there is always lots of high quality work!

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## WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 5 have been working on writing in the style of Lemony Snicket. Through analysis of the text, they discovered that Mr Snicket writes in a way that sounds quite negative in order to give his stories a sound of doom and gloom. The students then worked on creating their own sentences and phrases that mimicked his style. They will be using this style to write a narrative next week. In maths we have been learning to read, interpret, and draw graphs and charts. Our study of Victorian Times continues with work now focusing on the Industrial Revolution. The students are drawing comparisons by looking at paintings from before the Industrial Revolution and after. In music we have begun learning how to read the notes in the treble clef.

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## WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week year 6 have produced fantastic diary entries in role, they have really stepped into the shoes of our characters, Seb or Vivi. They applied the taught skills and thought about the different emotions people feel at different times. In maths the children persevered with division and were able to solve a range of problems. Also we have been working on our harvest performance, it's great how all the children have gotten involved. I think they are going to put on a great show!



## WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception we have been learning about 'patterns'. This has involved us identifying a pattern, copying a pattern and creating our own. We used potatoes and peas to create some of our patterns to link with our learning of 'Supertato'. We have also been writing in speech bubbles and have used our mark making skills to communicate. Outside our pond is underway and we now have the pond in place and this has been filled with water and the plants and rocks have now been added. We hope to see some pond life soon!




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## DINNER MENU

**MONDAY**— Macaroni Cheese, with a Biscuit for pudding.

**TUESDAY**— Garlic Chicken, with a Muffin for pudding.

**WEDNESDAY**— Roast Pork, with Ice Cream for pudding.

**THURSDAY** — Beef Meatballs and Pasta, with Chocolate Cake for pudding.

**FRIDAY**— Fish Fingers and Chips, with Rice Pudding for pudding.

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## Star Pupils

**Carisbrooke**

Sophie

**Bembridge**

Brooke

**Newchurch**

Isabelle

**Newtown**

Jessica

**Freshwater**

Eli

**Appley**

Sophie

**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           | 95.1                     |                                   |
| Carisbrooke         | 88.8                     | 91.5                              |
| Bembridge           | 96.8                     | 93.1                              |
| Newchurch           | 99.3                     | 93.1                              |
| Newtown             | 100                      | 98.3                              |
| Freshwater          | 95.4                     | 99.4                              |
| Appley              | 94.1                     | 96.3                              |
| <b>Whole School</b> | <b>95.8</b>              | <b>94.4</b>                       |

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

|                      | Lates This Week | Lates since Sept |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Yaverland            | 0               | 2                |
| Carisbrooke          | 1               | 4                |
| Bembridge            | 1               | 6                |
| Newchurch            | 0               | 2                |
| Newtown              | 0               | 1                |
| Freshwater           | 2               | 7                |
| Appley               | 0               | 0                |
| <b>Whole School</b>  | <b>4</b>        | <b>21</b>        |
| <b>Total Minutes</b> | <b>130</b>      | <b>182</b>       |

***Our school target is 96.5%.***

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

# Sports News

This week the Year 3/4 girls' football team, Chloe, Imogen, Lexi, Maddison, Penny, Molly, Phoenix R, Florence and Millie played away at Brighstone in their first football match, ever! Despite only having had 2 practise sessions, they worked fantastically well as a team. The game started tentatively with neither team really taking control. After 5 mins it was still a nervy, cagey affair until captain Chloe in Year 4 took the game by the scruff of the neck and scored two quick goals to put us 2-0 up. Brighstone did exceptionally well to come back into the game, scoring either side of half time to level the game 2-2. Wootton didn't let this worry them and continued to work hard and attack the opposition goal, registering multiple shots on target and really testing their goalkeeper. A rocket of a penalty from Imogen in Year 4 gave us the lead again that was extended by Lexi, also in Year 4, with an excellent finish. Player of the match Chloe rounded her impressive performance with her hattrick goal to make the final score 5-2 to Wootton. The entire team should be incredibly proud of themselves for the way they played but also the manner in which they played. These kind, considerate and humble young girls will go very far! Thank you to Miss Clifford for accompanying us to the game and to all parents who supported us there and helping with transport.

## Upcoming fixtures next week:

Tues—Year 5/6 Mixed Football team take on Gatten and Lake

Weds—Year 3/4 Open Football team take on Niton

Thurs—Year 5/6 Mixed Tag Rugby team play in a Cowes Cluster competition at Queensgate



# MILKSHAKE THURSDAY!

Thursday 7th  
October

Fish Fingers  
and Chips, and  
Ice Cream for  
pudding!



Every child that orders a school dinner on  
Thursday 7th October will receive a free  
milkshake to go with it!