



Wootton Community Primary School

Dates for your diary:

19.11.21-Children In Need
03.12.21-Christmas Fayre and Wessex Jolly Jumper Day
08.12.21- Christmas performance 1.30pm & 6pm (more details to follow)
09.12.21- Christmas performance 1.30pm & 6pm (more details to follow)
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)

12th November 2021

Dear Parents,

We are getting closer to the completion of the refurbishment and the children have been so excited watching the adventure playground take shape this week with the protective matting being laid. Whilst it appears smaller, it has more activities within it but these are set out closer together to make a circuit which we cannot wait to use! The fencing and basketball nets will be reinstalled over the next week or so with the hope we can use everything at the start of December.

Thank you for attending your child's teacher meeting this week, we are hopeful the next ones will be face to face so you can get an opportunity to have a look at your child's work. If you were not able to log on or you did not make an appointment, I would really encourage you to do so. Your child's progress always benefits from a partnership with us in particular that you are informed of their working level and the areas you can support your child with at home. So please contact the school office so that you can make an appointment with your child's teacher. Alternatively, all teachers can be contacted via their class email page. These emails are your child's year group and the usual school email address e.g. year2@woottonpri.iow.sch.uk with the exception of Reception which is yearr@woottonpri.iow.sch.uk Please note that staff will access these accounts from 8am to 4pm each day.

Next Friday we are going spotty! For a donation children can wear something spotty to support Children in Need.

You will hopefully have received your child's costume letter ready for the Christmas performances coming soon. If your child is in performers club, they will only need the costume for their character(s) and not the same as their class, however they will take part in their class song/dance. As we haven't done a show for some time, some children (and in particular our younger children who have not participated before) have forgotten the expectation of this! Music, dance and performance are a part of the National Curriculum and it is therefore an expectation that all children will take part to meet these requirements. We are however very conscious that performing on stage is an area that not all children are comfortable with and staff are therefore mindful of this when spacing children on the stage.

The PTA are getting excited with the sudden influx of raffle prizes ready for our Christmas fayre on Friday 3rd December. You will have received an email this week with the details of Santa's Grotto and how to access this at the fayre should you child want to. Tickets must be ordered in advanced with the last day being **next Friday, 19th November**. On Friday 26th November the

PTA are asking for donations of sweets and chocolate ready for the tombola at the fayre. This is always a very popular stall so it would be great to have lots of prizes! If you can donate something (please remember NO NUTS) your child may wear their own clothes in exchange for their sweets or chocolate donation.

It has been a busy sports week for Mr Billington - please see the news section below and on our website for more information about the three different football matches that have taken place this week. Many congratulations to all the children involved with these games.

In assembly today we celebrated with the 5 TTRS coin earners who were all in Year 4 - well done to Ayla, Edinburgh, Huxley, Koby and Spencer - great work! We also had a surge of certificates from activities outside of school: Lilah in Year 3 shared her certificate from taking part in the 'Crossing the Bar' performance, Caleb in Year 3 shared his yellow stripe belt certificate he has been awarded in Tae Kwon-Do, Max, also in Year 3 has gained his 25m swimming certificate. Ayla in Year 4 has achieved her 1000m swimming badge and Oliver in Year 1 has gained his Level 1 water skills badge. Nicole in Year 6 shared her running medal after she took part in a 5k run and Jasmine, also in Year 6, has earned a special club T-shirt in gymnastics. Well done to everyone!

Yesterday we had two visitors from the local authority for our termly monitoring visit. One of the ladies we found out during the morning was also an Ofsted Inspector so it was really useful to get some feedback from her. They were both incredibly impressed with the children's work ethic and confidence to share their learning. The children eagerly spoke to the ladies and were able to explain their work and what they were learning about. Again their excellent behaviour was noted and we are so proud of them all.

Mrs Cowell is in need of some fairies! If you have any unwanted plastic fairies which you are able to donate to school, Mrs Cowell will be able to make great use of them in her new fairy world, thank you. In the meantime I hope you have a lovely weekend,



Jane Wilford
Headteacher

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

We have had a very exciting week in Year 1. In English and DT, we all enjoyed planning, designing and then junk modelling our space rockets for Baby Bear to fly to the moon. Some of our rockets had special fire boosters, aliens and even hot tubs! We also wrote an evaluation afterwards about what we liked about our rockets and what we would change next time. In maths, we have used part-part-whole models to help us with our addition work and I am so impressed with how hard everyone has worked this week. In art we have made autumn collages using leaves and twigs which we found on the playground, firework paintings for Bonfire Night and poppies for Remembrance Day.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In Year 2 this week we have been writing a postcard to our mystery visitor after he left footprints and a postcard on the carpet. In Maths we have been adding together single digit numbers and using our tens frames and number lines to help us. During the afternoons we have found out about our bodies, time travelled back in time to meet Grace Darling and learnt some rap in music.

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Maths we practised accurately measuring the length of objects and solved problems involving measurement. We used all the strategies we learnt for addition and subtraction to help us solve the problems. In English we read more of our book Boudica's Army and made inferences about the characters. We took turns to act as the main character and ask questions about life in Roman times. In Science we completed an investigation to compare how objects move on different surfaces and found out that objects travel much quicker on smooth surfaces. In French this week we learnt some classroom instructions and practised saying and following these instructions.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

This week we have been developing our use of figurative language in English lessons, experimenting with alliteration, simile and metaphor to describe the rainforest and other biomes of the world. We have applied our learning to poetry writing, taking inspiration from Angela McAllister's 'Wild World' poetry. In maths, the children are starting to tackle division of one and two-digit numbers by 10, resulting in decimal numbers. We commend their concentration and commitment to this tricky new learning, and they are making super progress as a result! In geography we met latitude and longitude, and the children were able to find locations in their atlas by using the given coordinates.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week year 5 are planning to steal an emerald as big as a lion's eye! This is to help Vita, the main character in our class book, reclaim something that belongs to her grandfather. The children have analysed a step-by-step plan about how to trap Iron Man to begin understanding the characteristics of writing a plan. In maths, we have learnt what prime and composite numbers are, and the children are working on solving rich problems using this new information. This week in science we took the learning outside! The children used chalk, meter sticks, and string to draw their own models of Earth's orbit around the sun. They also came up with some clever ways to remember the difference between 'spinning' and 'orbiting'. Ask your child to tell you their idea!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 6 have been learning all about fractions. They have practiced finding equivalent fractions before solving addition problems. The children have applied their new learning to a range of word problems and manipulated the numbers to work efficiently. In English, the children have started their new novel 'The Explorer.' Year 6 are hooked and are loving exploring the meaning of new words. The children have been using figurative language to create a picture in the readers mind. Next week, they will be using all their new vocabulary and applying it in a setting description of the Amazon Rainforest. I was really proud of all of year 6 for putting together an amazing remembrance assembly. They worked so hard and the staff were really impressed at how well they explained Remembrance to the younger children. Well done everyone!



WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

We have had another exciting week in Reception class. On Tuesday we were joined by two owls as a 'hook' to introduce our book 'Owl Babies'. We met Pip who was 5 years old and Spike who was 17 years old. We learnt lots of important facts and the children had to opportunity to ask Charlie the birds owner some questions. We then read the story and recalled what facts we had learnt. In our tuff tray we used the cuddly owls to compare their size and order them. We also opened up our woodwork area for the first time and learnt how to use a saw. All in all a great week of hands on learning.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Macaroni Cheese, with a Biscuit for pudding.

TUESDAY— Chinese Chicken Noodles, with a Muffin for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Pork, with Ice Cream for pudding.

THURSDAY — Chilli Nachos with Chipotle Potato Wedges, and Jam and Coconut sponge or Chocolate Biscuit for pudding.

FRIDAY — Fish Fingers and Chips, with a Crispy Snow Bar for pudding.

Star Pupils

Carisbrooke

Joe

Bembridge

Violet

Newchurch

Braeden

Newtown

Evie

Freshwater

Ella

Appley

Tobi

Star Pupil parents may join Friday's Celebration Assembly to see their child presented with their Star Pupil certificates.

Please sign in at the office before making your way around to the hall.

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	90.7	
Carisbrooke	94.8	94.2
Bembridge	99.2	97.4
Newchurch	98.4	98.3
Newtown	100	99.4
Freshwater	98.8	95.8
Appley	98.3	97.1
Whole School	96.7	96.2

The class with the best attendance this week was:
Newtown

	Lates This Week	Lates since Sept
Yaverland	2	7
Carisbrooke	1	10
Bembridge	3	14
Newchurch	1	3
Newtown	0	1
Freshwater	1	12
Appley	0	0
Whole School	8	46
Total Minutes	124	535

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

Sports News

It's been a busy week for football fixtures this week at Wootton, especially for the Year 3/4 Boys team. On Monday the boys played their rearranged fixture against Niton. After weeks of excitement the team finally got their chance to represent the school. Wootton took an early lead through a decent strike by Elliot W and this seemed to settle any nerves. In the second half Niton levelled through a fortunate goal and this gave them the confidence they needed. At 1-1 the game could have gone either way and both sides had chances to win the game. Wootton were brave and pushed forward to try and snatch a winner, but unfortunately this left us short in defence, Niton counterattacked and got a hard fought winner. Our man of the match has to go to Rocco for his goal and also his fantastic defending. Well done to Evan S, Alfie A, and Jacob S in Year 3 and Rocco S, Elliott W, Koby H, Edinburgh W, Huxley W, Blaise GH and Spencer GT in Year 4.

On Thursday the Year 3/4 team played another league game, this time away to Holy Cross. In similar fashion Wootton started brilliantly and took an early lead. A great strike from Elliot W. However, this time Wootton managed to hold onto the lead right until the last 5 mins. In training the team has worked on defending and supporting one another when the opposition attack. It really showed that the children have listened and taken on board the drills. The referee complimented them for some outstanding defending and tackling. Unfortunately Holy Cross equalised and despite throwing everything forward we couldn't get a winning goal. The game finished 1-1. A special mention to our man of the match - Huxley, who pulled off some great saves to keep us in the game. Three great blocks coming in quick succession! Well done to Jacob S, Max G and Ollie L in Year 3 and Spencer GT, Rocco S, Elliot W, Huxley W, Edinburgh W and Koby H in Year 4.

On Wednesday our Year 5/6 mixed football team took part in The U11 Knock Out Cup. The result could have gone either way and it was a very narrow affair. It's clear that the team is developing and progressing well, even if the results don't necessarily show it. Wootton played very well to contain a talented member of the opposite team, but with about 10 mins to go we unfortunately conceded. The final result was 0-1 to Arreton. Keep going, that elusive win will come!! Our player of the match goes to Jimi for standing strong and throwing himself into tackles, great effort. Well done to Owen D, Theo L, Eli L and Ethan P in Year 5 and Katie A, Jimi L, Jack Mc, Oliver Mc and Sebby P in Year 6.

Next week on Wednesday, the Year 5/6 Girls football team is in action against Godshill here at Wootton. Please come along and show your support should you wish.



Adult Community Learning

Please see the link below which will take you to the Adult Community Learning Facebook page. This page will keep you updated on what workshops/ courses they are offering, as well as interesting stories and other information you may find useful.

<https://www.facebook.com/146444025441836/>

Holy Communion

Any children in Years 3, 4 and 5 who would like to make their first Holy Communion next year at St Mary's Catholic Church.

Please let St Mary's Primary School office know on 0198356200 or [ad-min@stmaryspri.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryspri.co.uk)

Lessons will start in the new year.

MEXICAN FIESTA

18/11/21

£2.15

MENU

Tasty Mains

Chilli Beef or Veggie Chilli
Nachos with Cheese and
Chipotle Potato Wedges

Scrummy Veggie Sides
Sweetcorn & Mixed Salad

Yummy Desserts

Jam & Coconut Sponge Cake
Chocolate Shortbread

Don't forget, school meals are free for all children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2!

To sign up for this tasty theme day menu, please speak to your school.