



Wootton Community Primary School

7th January 2022

Dates for your diary:

Thurs 13th Jan—Year 3

Swimming Starts

Tues 18th Jan: Year 3

Educational Visit to Brading

Roman Villa (see letter)

Wk of Mon 24th Jan—

Year 6 MOCK SATs (more info to follow)

Mon 21st—Fri 25th

Feb—Half Term

Weds 9th March—Year 5

taster day at Ryde Academy

(more details to follow)

Weds 30th March—

Parents Evening (more

details to follow)

Thurs 31st March—

Parents Evening (more

details to follow)

Thurs 31st March—

World Book Day

Monday 11th—Friday

22nd April—Easter

Break

Week of 9th May - Year

6 SATs

Mon 30th May—Fri 3rd

June—Half Term

Fri 10th June—PTA

Event—Royal Disco (more details to follow)

Sat 25th June—Mardi

Gras (more details to follow)

Tues 5th—Fri 8th July—

Year 6 Residential (see

Google Form)

Tues 12th & Weds 13th

July 2022 - Transition days

Thurs 21st July—Year 6

leavers service, family picnic

with Year 6 presentation @

noon, day finishing at

1:30pm for the term.

Fri 22nd July—

Development Day (school

closed to children)

Dates for 2022-2023

are being confirmed

and we will share these

as soon as we are able.

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all and I hope you were able to enjoy the Christmas break despite the weather and rise in Covid cases across the Island. On behalf of all the staff, thank you again for all our Christmas gifts and cards you so kindly sent in, we are all so very humbled when this happens as we all enjoy being here and thoroughly love our jobs. I hope we can continue to function as normal as we can this term and will keep you updated should anything change with the DfE and Public Health. You will no doubt be aware of the latest update in that that from the 11th January, **asymptomatic people in England who test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) on a lateral flow device (LFD) test no longer need to get a confirmatory PCR test.** Their isolation period can start immediately following their positive LFD test result. These individuals should still report their test results on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk). This is a temporary measure while coronavirus rates remain high across the UK. Whilst levels of coronavirus are high, the government has said that the vast majority of people with positive LFD test results can be confident that they have coronavirus. **LFD tests should only be taken by people who do not have coronavirus symptoms.** Anyone who develops any symptoms should self-isolate and take a PCR test. They must self-isolate if they get a positive test result, even if they have had a recent negative LFD test – these rules have not changed. All of this also applies to children so please ensure that this is followed, in particular please do not send your child into school if they have any one of the three main Covid symptoms, thank you. Please be assured that we are continuing to do all that we can to minimise the impact of Covid in school, but it is not possible to eliminate it completely. However if we all follow the guidance I am hopeful we can reduce the risks in school. Our heightened cleaning throughout the day will continue and children will frequently sanitise their hands. Staff wear masks in communal areas, respect social distancing and continue to test at least twice weekly. I will continue to notify you of any positive cases in school; we had several during the school holiday but due to the timings, it was not necessary for me to inform you of these. I cannot believe that after all this time we are still sadly having to refer to Covid, but I think we may be for some time yet, so it is important that we work together to keep the school community safe. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns.

It is lovely to have the school busy again and the teachers have worked hard to plan some exciting learning and events during the term. Please visit the school website to see your child's class topic overview for this half-term.

We are still waiting for the final things to be completed from the refurbishment, including the development of the outside area. As soon as this is completed we will hold an official opening ceremony so that families can see the changes in school (Covid restrictions permitted!)

In assembly today we heard from Charley in Year 5 who has achieved 3 badges in Cubs - well done Charley. We also congratulated our TTRS 5 top coin earners, who are 1st place Ella in Year 5, 2nd place Summer also in Year 5, 3rd place Bailey in Year 6, 4th place Gabrielle also in Year 6 and 5th place Tyler in Year 4. We also congratulated our top 5 Numbots earners with Year 1 now accessing the programme. 1st place Cassie in Year 1, 2nd place Sepo in Year 2, 3rd place Emire in Year 1, 4th place Theo in Year 2 and 5th place Sydney in Year 1 - well done to everyone, keep up the great work.

I look forward to this new term ahead and hope that we can have more opportunities for you to come in and share with your children's learning.

In the meantime I wish you a happy and healthy 2022, have a great weekend.

Jane Wilford
Headteacher

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have had a great first week back at school and I am so pleased with how well they have settled back in. The children have enjoyed seeing their friends again and telling everyone all the exciting things they got up to in the Christmas break! In English this half term, we will be looking at a variety of fairytales and we are starting with The Three Little Pigs. We have enjoyed retelling the story through role play and creating a story map. We have also started our Phase 4 phonics, focusing on segmenting and blending. In maths, we have been revisiting and expanding our learning from last term involving ordering numbers and finding one more and one less.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 2 have started a new text in English entitled Journey. They have considered what a journey is and talked about journeys they have been on. They have read the first part of the story and discussed the girl's feelings and what they think might happen next. In Maths, the children have completed some revision work from the Autumn term. They have looked at writing numbers to 100 in words and counting in steps of 2, 5 and 10. In Geography, they have looked at maps of the world and places and labelled continents and oceans. They have used compass points to talk about the position of continents on the map.

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 3 had a great first week back at school! In English we are reading the Book of Bones and have found lots of interesting facts about animal bones. We made lots of predictions about the book then practiced our comprehension skills by retrieving information from the text. In Maths we worked on measuring accurately and converting between cm and mm. Our Science for this term is all about staying healthy and the human body. This week we learned about the different food groups and created a healthy meal plan. In French we revised numbers to 5 and played some games to practise the numbers.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

Year 4 have kicked off their New Year with gusto! We have dived into our new book "How to Train your Dragon" by Cressida Cowell, and met our unlikely hero - Hiccup Horrendous Haddock the Third. The class have done a fantastic job comparing this character to other representations of heroes in myths, legends, films and other books they have read, and have begun to turn these ideas into a detailed character description split into clear paragraphs. We are all excited to find out what happens in the next chapter... In Maths we have been thinking about negative numbers and how to solve problems involving temperatures, or measurements below sea level - great work, everyone! We were also very enthusiastic about creating electrical circuits during our Science lesson this week. Using wires, batteries, bulbs and buzzers we had to work out how to correctly connect each circuit to send power to the device. Lots of budding engineers and excellent questions raised - what if...?

Looking forward to another great week :)

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 5 are already completely engrossed in their new class novel, Holes written by Louis Sachar. We have begun discussing the setting of the story in preparation for writing a detailed setting description. In maths we have been practicing 2-digit by 2-digit multiplication. We are learning a couple of different methods, and this allows the students to ultimately choose the method they are most comfortable with. We had our first ukulele lesson on Wednesday! The children were very excited and did so well! It will be very satisfying to see how they progress as the year goes on. The children have been asked to start accessing Times Tables Rock Stars from home. This is considered homework, so please let me know if there are any issues with logging in or with internet access.

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 6 started their new class text, Wonder. It's been lovely to see how engaged the children are with the book and really put themselves in the shoes of a variety of characters. They have written super character descriptions of the main character of August from the viewpoint of Via, Julian and Mr Browne. In maths we have started the statistics unit and the children have been collecting data, drawing and interpreting pie charts. This week the children learned all about Romero Britto in art and created some fantastic figure drawings, which they will be recreating in sculpture using clay and modroc. In science, the children got active as we started our circulatory topic. We investigated how oxygen travels around the body and how our muscles need oxygen to work.



WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week we have started to look at our new text 'We're going on a bear hunt' and have started to use some of the vocabulary used in the story. In maths we have been using positional vocabulary and the children have been asked to stand in various positions e.g on top of something, next to, behind. We also enjoyed exploring the ice outside and using our new writing shed.



DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Cheese and Tomato Pizza, with Flapjack for pudding.

TUESDAY— Sausage and Mash, with Peach Shortbread Pudding for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Chicken, with Raspberry Yoghurt Cake for pudding.

THURSDAY — Beef Lasagne, with Brownie for pudding.

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

Star Pupils

Carisbrooke

Cassie

Bembridge

Travis and Kenny

Newchurch

Kristen

Newtown

Oscar

Freshwater

Laura

Appley

Violet P

Star Pupil parents may join Friday's Celebration Assembly to see their child presented with their Star Pupil certificates at 9am .

Please sign in at the office before making your way around to the hall. Please can we ask that you sit at the back and wear a mask.



Charley with his badges from Cubs

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	97.2	94.8
Carisbrooke	86.6	93.2
Bembridge	96	95
Newchurch	99.6	96.8
Newtown	97.4	97.5
Freshwater	86.3	94.4
Appley	94.2	95
Whole School	94.5	95.4

The class with the best attendance this week was:
Newchurch

	Lates This Week	Lates since Sept
Yaverland	2	12
Carisbrooke	1	16
Bembridge	6	29
Newchurch	1	5
Newtown	0	1
Freshwater	3	16
Appley	1	1
Whole School	14	81
Total Minutes	412	1283

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

The Adult Community Learning Spring Programme of courses and workshops is now out. We offer learning opportunities for adults who live on the Isle of Wight and are aged 19 upwards. Our wide range of courses can help you get new skills and re-connect with learning, or help you follow an interest, grow in confidence, achieve a qualification, or prepare for employment.

- Arts and crafts workshops
- Online courses
- ICT (Information Communication Technology)
- Maths and English Functional Skills
- Careers appointments

For more information check out our website pages www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses or contact us acl@iow.gov.uk or 817280

The School Aged Immunisation Team have added some additional community clinics for those children that missed the flu vaccination at the school session.

Tuesday 11th January - West Wight Barnardo's Family Centre PO40 9XH

Thursday 13th January - Cowes Barnardo's Family Centre PO31 7ET

Saturday 15th January - East Newport Barnardo's Family Centre PO30 2AR

Please find the link below which you will need to use to access the In-Health Care e-consent system:

<http://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/solent-iow-flu>

If this does not open, please copy and paste the link above into your internet web browser address bar (not through the search area).

Once you click START you will then be prompted for the Unique School LEA Code which is 118172

If you have any queries please contact the School Aged Immunisation Team via snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-iow@nhs.net

Thank you.



BURGER SHACK

20/01/22

Tasty Mains

Chicken Fillet Burger
OR
Incredible Burger
(Vegan)

With Chips

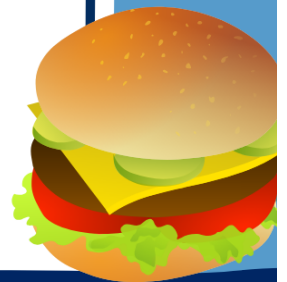
£2.15

Scrummy Veggie Sides

Sweetcorn and BBQ Baked Beans

Yummy Dessert

Chocolate Orange Cake
with
Chocolate Sauce



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.