



Wootton Community Primary School

21st October 2022

Dear Parents,

Dates for 2022-2023 (subject to change):

Half-term Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October, return Monday 31st October

- **1st November**—Parents Evening (more details to follow)
- **1st November**—Flu Immunisations (more details to follow)
- **2nd November**—School Photos
- **2nd November**—Parents Evening (more details to follow)
- **4th November**—Vision and Hearing checks for Reception class
- **15th and 17th November**—Open Day for 2023 New Entrants
- **6th December**—Christmas Performance 1:30pm and 6pm (more details to follow)
- **8th December**—Christmas Performance 1:30pm and 6pm (more details to follow)
- **9th December**—Christmas Jumper Day (details to follow)
- **14th December**—Christmas Dinner (more details to follow)
- **15th December**—Christmas Parties (more details to follow)
- **16th December**—Christingle Service (children only)

Break up for Christmas Friday 16th December, return Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Break up for half-term Thursday 9th February, (Friday 10th February Staff Development Day, school closed to pupils), return Monday 20th February 2023

Break up for Easter Friday 31st March 2023, return Tuesday 17th April 2023 (Monday 17th April Staff Development Day, school closed to pupils)

- **15th to 18th May 2023**—End of Key Stage 2 SATs

Break up for half-term Friday 26th May 2023, return Monday 5th June 2023

- **4th and 5th July 2023**—Transition Days
- **12th July 2023**—KS1 Sports afternoon (tbc)
- **13th July 2023**—KS2 Sports afternoon (tbc)
- **14th July 2023**—End of Year reports home
- **19th July 2023**—Parents Open Evening 3:15-5pm
- **19th July 2023**—5:30-7pm Year 6 Leavers Treat (tbc)
- **20th July 2023**—Year 6 Leavers Presentation @ 11am and Whole School Family Picnic with class performances at 12pm, school finishes at 1:30pm
- **21st July 2023**—School closed to children, staff development day.

I cannot believe we have completed our first half-term of the this academic year; the weeks seem to have flown by and we are so delighted with the children and the efforts and progress they have made. I know the teachers are looking forward to sharing this information with you at the parents evenings so please ensure you have signed up to one of these. We also hope you will join us in signing the home school agreement that we shared with you last week. I am sure you agree that your child's education will be enhanced if we work together and you support their learning at home too. During parents evening please take the time to read the notice board regarding Pupil Premium funding when you are waiting to see your child's teacher, as well as having a rummage through the huge pile of lost property we have. You may also want to bring some change if you are planning on buying some second hand clothes; we are just asking for donations. If you have any old school uniform that is still in good condition and you would like to donate this then please send this in on Monday, thank you.

In assembly on Monday I presented our JTAs (Junior Travel Ambassadors), Oliver and Jess in Year 5 and Finn and Theo L in Year 6, with their high visibility jackets, bags and stationary provided by the Council who are running the scheme. We look forward to hearing about the first initiative 'bling my bag' after half-term.

In Mr Billington's absence I had the pleasure of supporting our Year 5 and 6 football team play against Gatten and Lake school on Wednesday in the under 11s mixed cup game. I cannot express how proud I am of the team - they played amazingly well against a very tough team and, although we lost, the children ensured that they played fairly and with a positive attitude despite a few issues along the way! Many thanks to the parents who came to watch and in particular to Mr Redford who supported the team and ended up being the referee for the second half! The man of the match was Owen in Year 6 who played in goal, his first time for a school game and he was incredible! Well done to all the team: Elliott and Rocco in Year 5, Ben, Theo L, Eli, Owen, Ethan and Poppy in Year 6.

Talking of Mr Billington, many congratulations to him and his family on the safe arrival of their little boy Edward Samuel. We look forward to seeing Mr Billington back in school soon and wish them all much happiness and good health.

We had yet another busy assembly today hearing from staff as to why their Star Pupils were the stars of the week and had the opportunity to see some of their work. We also congratulated the winning House for this half-term for the most House Points achieved. House Points are given in class and at playtimes when children are awarded for effort, kindness, being a good friend etc. and the results are collected along with sports points at the end of each half-term. Many congratulations to Jones House (green) who are in first place with 485 points, followed by joint second place Asher-Smith (red) and Farrell (yellow) Houses with 460 points and third place Stokes (blue) House with 430 points.

We also congratulated our Numbots highest coin achievers this week - first place Tyler D in Year 5, second place Oscar R also in Year 5, third place Emire in Year 2, fourth place Cassie in Year 2 and fifth place Alfie also in Year 2. Our TTRS top 5 coin earners this week are Koby in Year 5, second place Lorenzo in Year 3, third place Sebby also in Year 3, fourth place Spencer in Year 5 and fifth place Braeden in Year 4 - 5 House Points to each child, well done!

During assembly we also heard from Ayla in Year 5 who achieved two Gold and one Bronze medal at a recent swimming competition, from Iommi in Year 4 who achieved four Gold and one silver medal at a gymnastics competition and from Emilyrose in Year 3 and Sidney in Year 4 who have both been awarded a medal at their football training club. Well done to all of you, great out of school achievements! Harry in Year 3 also shared his extra maths work he is completing at home - keep up the great work Harry!

Due to Mrs Cowell's absence we have had to postpone the parent phonic training session and Diwali event. The Diwali event will now run on Wednesday 2nd November. Please send your child's outfit into school in a named bag so they can change after they have had their photographs taken.

Please remember it is school photo day on Wednesday 2nd November. Children with siblings IN school will have their photos taken together during the day so you are not required to book these.

A few weeks ago we asked parents of children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 to complete a survey regarding school meals. Thank you to the parents who took the time to complete this, please see the responses of this attached. We will also give this feedback to the catering company during a meeting we have with them on 8th November.

You may have seen the traffic warden has been monitoring parking along Church Road this week. Please can you ensure you do not park in Wootton Lodge carpark, but more importantly you do not park on the yellow lines. The only exception is for parents with a Blue Disabled Badge. To obtain a Blue Badge you have to complete an assessment so these are not given out unless there is a genuine reason. Please remember not all disabilities are visible and our parents with them are entitled to them. Can we also request that you do not pull into the entrance of the driveway to drop children off. We have had a few near misses and need to do everything we can to prevent an accident happening, thank you for your support.

Many thanks to the PTA for organising the discos later and for their help and work behind the scenes to get the sweets ready. I am sure we will have lots of fun!

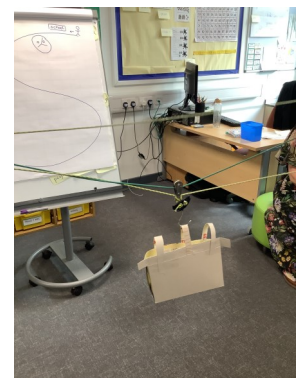
I am hopeful a week off will ensure the various bugs we have had in school this week are halted! Please take the time to read the NHS letter attached with some important information regarding children's health.

In the meantime I wish you all a very happy, safe and healthy half-term and we will look forward to seeing the children all back refreshed on **Monday 31st October**. Please ensure all items of clothes are named and that your child brings a coat to school too, many thanks.

Jane Wilford
Headteacher



Some photos from Year 2
this week!



WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week our Reception children have shown such resilience and maturity whilst having different adults working with them due to Mrs Cowell's absence. They have been so adaptable and continued to access their learning. They have particularly enjoyed learning about Diwali which I am sure they will enjoy sharing with you at the parent session on 2nd November. We have also made great use of our school outdoor space, having time to strengthen our gross motor skills on the adventure play trail and today going for an autumn welly walk looking for signs of Autumn.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week we have been writing letters. We discussed when we might need to write a letter then we wrote a letter to Beegu's mum explaining what had happened to Beegu. We practised using our purple pen to edit our work, by adding full stops and capital letters. In Maths we practised partitioning numbers to 8 using drawings and counters to help us. We started to write number sentences to show our answers. In Science we recapped the 5 senses and the body parts associated with each sense. Then we labelled a picture with all of the senses. In Geography we talked about where we live and what is special about our school and local area. We continued to practise logging in during our Computing lesson then we played a game on Numbots. Well done to all the children for a fantastic first term in Year 1!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Thank you to all those who were able to attend our Parent Sharing event on Wednesday - the children loved showing you how much progress they have made since starting Year 2, and very much enjoyed designing and testing their seagull proof baskets, complete with delicious sandwiches, to see if they made it across the pulley to the lighthouse. We also had an exciting visitor in school this week - Traction Man was here! (Wearing his ski boots, bobble hat and puffy jacket). The class have planned and written their own stories about which evil villains Traction Man might meet at school - Count Clock, Wicked Pencil Sharpener, or Professor Chair. Can Traction Man save the day..?

We are incredibly proud of all the hard work the children have put in this half-term and are so impressed with their enthusiasm for learning, and their growing independence. We wish you all a very happy half term :)

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 3 have been doing some assessments in class. The whole class has blown us away with their mature attitude and fantastic effort throughout the papers. A big well done, Year 3. In Art this week, we finished our topic on shadows by creating our own shadow sculpture in the hall. The children have been working on this for several weeks and their final piece was AMAZING! The children used all the knowledge they'd built over the past few weeks to select materials, shapes and positions to create the best effect. Please see the final product on Google Classroom. This week we also watched the BFG and compared it to the book. It was really interesting to see how different parts of the film and book are from each other. The children wrote about these comparisons and then discussed which they preferred and why. We have had a brilliant start to Year 3 this half term. The children have really stepped up to the KS2 standards and have worked incredibly hard. I can't wait to see what we get up to next half term!

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

Firstly, we want to first say a huge well done to all the children for their trip to Butser Ancient Farm last Friday. Despite a few last minute nerves as we left parents in Ryde, all of the children were a great credit to the school, demonstrating excellent manners and behaviour throughout the day. After a crossing on the hover and a short coach ride we arrived at the site. Once there, the children got a tour of both the Roman and Anglo Saxons houses. They really enjoyed learning about wattle and creating Anglo Saxon inspired items from clay. The highlight for many was definitely the chance to try their hand at being an archaeologist in the discovery pit. Using trowels, pupils unearthed many different artefacts, learning how finding out about history involves piecing clues together like a jigsaw puzzle. Well done Year 4 from all the adults that went with you! This week we have been finishing different topics and demonstrating our already growing Year 4 knowledge. In Science, we have looked at how states change and how not all changes happen at the same temperature. We have used our knowledge of IF and ELSE in computing to create our own program and we have evaluated our art work suggesting what we liked about our final piece and some of the things we might change.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

It has been a wonderful week to end this half term. Year Five have worked extremely hard to create brilliant survival guides in English. In Maths, we have used knowledge of dividing whole numbers to measure body parts and calculate how big we would be if we were divided by 10 or 100. Also, it has been a pleasure to observe how the children in Year Five tackled assessment week. Every child conducted themselves in a mature and confident manner and I look forward to sharing their progress with you at parents evening. However, the highlight of the week was finishing Kensuke's Kingdom and discussing possible alternate endings and sequels. I hope you all have a fantastic half term break!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 6 have been doing a lot of assessments in class. Well done to everyone for being resilient and giving it your best effort. We have also finished off our Art work, based on the art of Banksy. Children have produced art with a message in his idiosyncratic style. We have finished off our investigations in the concept of Gods in RE and in Science we have looked at the many different properties of light and have conducted our own experiments based on a specific property. In English we have looked at how to respond to comprehension questions where an expanded response is required and in Maths we have looked at formal methods of multiplication.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Cheese and Tomato Pizza, or Vegetarian Sausage and Mash, with Ice Cream for pudding.

TUESDAY— Macaroni Cheese, or Chicken Pie, with Chocolate Sponge for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Turkey, or Vegan Sausage casserole, with an Oat Cookie for pudding.

THURSDAY - Bonfire Night Special! Please see poster attached.

FRIDAY - Fish Fingers and Chips, or Quorn Dippers, with Lemon Slice for pudding.

Star Pupils

Murphy Year 1	Lyla	Star Pupil parents may join Friday's Celebration Assembly to see their child presented with their Star Pupil certificates at 9am.
Gravett Year 2	Henry	
Hughes Year 3	Calvin	
Pullman Year 4	Max	Please sign in at the office before making your way around to the hall.
Horowitz Year 5	Evie	
Blackman Year 6	Summer	



Wootton Community Primary School Open Days for September 2023 Admission

Church Road, Wootton Bridge, Ryde, Isle of Wight, PO33 4PT

Tel: 01983 882505

Email: office@woottonpri.iow.sch.uk

Website: www.woottonprimaryschool.co.uk

Tuesday 15th and
Thursday 17th
November 2022

Sessions at
10:30am and
1:30pm.

No need to book,
just turn up to a
session.

COME AND SEE US IN ACTION!

*Also an opportunity to speak to the
Headteacher and House Captains, and
ask any questions you may have.*

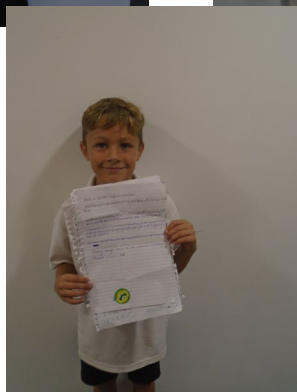


PUPIL PREMIUM AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Do you qualify for any of the following benefits? If so, you may be eligible for additional school funding and free school meals that continue through Key Stage 2. Please ask for an application form from the office, or download one from our website if you do.

- A) Income Support (IS)
- B) Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- C) Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- D) Guaranteed Pension Credit
- E) Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- F) Universal Credit (with an annual net earned income of no more than £7400)
- G) Child Tax Credit, provided the parent is NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income, as assessed by HMRC, which does not exceed £16,190
- H) Where a parent is entitled to Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment someone received for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

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 (%)
Donaldson	78	90.4
Murphy	89.6	92.8
Gravett	92.1	92.5
Hughes	80.7	94.2
Pullman	90.6	94.4
Horowitz	90.4	93.1
Blackman	85.7	94.3
Whole School	86.7	92.8

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Gravett

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Donaldson	0	4
Murphy	0	3
Gravett	2	18
Hughes	2	14
Pullman	1	6
Horowitz	0	6
Blackman	4	8
Whole School	9	59
Total Minutes	141	855

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

SchoolMoney

Please ensure all outstanding debts are paid off by Monday 31st October 2022. This includes clubs and school dinners.

Thank you

Year 6 Secondary School Applications

Year 6 parents/guardians are reminded that the closing date to submit their application for a place in Secondary School for September 2023 is Midnight on Monday 31 October 2022. You can do this online at: www.iow.gov.uk.com/schooladmissions and then click on the 'Secondary School Sept 2023' tab. If you have any queries on the process, please email school.admissions@iow.gov.uk and they will assist you with your application.

If you do not require a place for your child at an Island secondary school as you child will be attended private education or you are moving off Island, please could you email school.admisison@iow.gov.uk and inform them in writing of where you are moving to or where your child will be educated from September 2023 to enable them to be removed from the process.

We aim to provide information and support to parents, children and young people to participate fully and make informed decisions about the outcomes they wish to achieve.

We aim to ensure the views, wishes and feelings of the child or young person and their parents are heard and valued by all.

We aim to enhance and develop positive partnerships between parents, young people, schools, colleges, the local authority and voluntary organisations to achieve positive outcomes.

The SEND IASS team are:

Emma Morris
Heather Drudge
Catherine Hall
Jason Thomas

Phone us on

01983 825548

An answering machine is in operation when we're not in the office, please leave a message and we will return your call.

Email us at:

sendiass@iow.gov.uk

More information about the service is available on our website:

www.lowsendiass.co.uk

SEND Information Advice and Support Service

11 Orchard Street,
Newport,
Isle of Wight
PO30 1JZ

If you have difficulty understanding this document, please contact us on 01983 825548 and we will do our best to help you.

SEND IASS
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and Disability Information,
Advice and Support Service



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What is SEND IASS?

If you're a parent/carer of a child or young person with special educational needs (SEN) and/or a disability, or a child or young person with SEN and/or a disability we can help you.

We provide **free, confidential and impartial** advice, information and support on all matters relating to SEN and disabilities including social care and health issues.



We listen to your concerns and work with you to identify a planned way forward by providing you with impartial information and advice to enable you to make informed decisions about your child.

We often work with parents, but we are also able to provide a direct and separate service to young people aged 16 to 25.

Many children and young people will access advice, information and support via their parents but some children, especially older children, may want to access it separately. Under these circumstances we will work individually and impartially with the young person.

Please see our separate leaflets specifically aimed at young people.

Our services

We provide:

- a confidential telephone helpline – 01983 825548;
- direct support by telephone, email or face-to-face;
- written information, also available online;
- help to understand your or your child's rights and responsibilities around education;
- information sessions for parents/carers;
- training and workshops;
- access to an independent supporter;
- information about other agencies and organisations who may be able to help you.

How we can help parents and carers, children and young people

- By listening to your worries and concerns and working with you to explore your options.
- Helping you to understand complicated letters, reports and processes.
- Preparing, supporting and attending meetings.
- Helping you to understand what can be offered to a child or young person without an education health care plan in place.
- Support through the statutory education healthcare needs assessment process.
- Providing advice and support in relation to appeals to the SEN and disability tribunal.
- Help if things go wrong, including advice on complaints and support in resolving disagreements.
- Providing support to manage mediation.

For further detailed information please visit our website:
www.lowsendiass.co.uk

Thursday
3 November
2022

LET'S ROCKET

A CRACKER OF A MEAL!

MAINS

Pork Sausages, Mashed Potato & Gravy

or

Vegetarian Sausages, Mashed Potato & Gravy (v)

or

Jacket Potato with Cheese (v) or Baked Beans (v)

SIDES

Peas and Carrots

DESSERTS

Apple Crumble & Custard

or

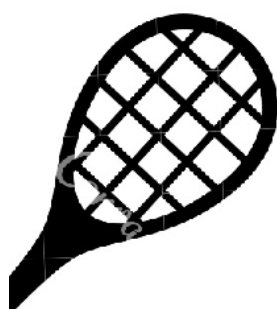
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

*Don't forget, school meals are free for children in Reception, Year 1 or 2!
To sign up for this tasty theme day menu, please speak to your school*

Naturezones



Tues 25th, Thurs 27th
& Sun 30th. 11am - 3pm
Members: Adult free, child £2.75
Non members:
Adult £5, Child £4



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Parents Group

The aim of the SOS service is to provide specialist advice and support to mainstream schools to complement existing inclusive practice, increase knowledge and build confidence and competence in providing provision whilst meeting children's individual needs.

This group is open to all parents/carers who have a child/children that attend a school using our service.

When: 15th November 2022

Time: 12.30-2.30 drop in session

Where: Medina Help Hut, Green Street, Newport, PO30 2AN



Come and join us for a coffee, a chat and some cake

if you could let us know you will be coming so we can cater for enough people that would be great but please just come along if you would prefer.

To register your interest or if you have any questions please email:

Outreach@medinahouse.iow.sch.uk

Or

phone: 522917



Cake, coffee and a smile welcome you all



Solent
NHS Trust

The Solent NHS School Aged Immunisation

Service will be visiting **Wootton Primary School**
to deliver the nasal flu vaccination programme

on: **01/11/2022**

Please check your emails for information about the vaccination offer and the link to the consent form.

Alternatively scan the QR code to complete the consent form now,
you will need access to your emails to complete this and school code:

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We all have some Wild in our Hearts and our mission is to inspire others to explore, learn and grow in nature, creating an everlasting love for the outdoors that will be passed on for years to come.

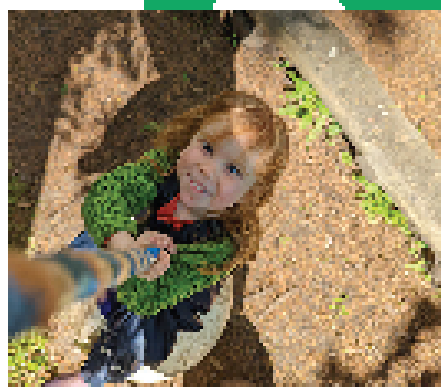
Subsidised Forest Sessions for all

I am a **Forest School Leader**, a **Tree Bables Guide** and **Wild Wellbeing Instructor** and run a range of engaging activities and forest sessions for all ages and their families.

At a time when pricing is rising, I am able to reduce the sessions supported by the Isle of Wight Council making them more accessible for everybody.

With some particularly testing periods in recent years, the benefits of forest sessions have never been needed more. The wellbeing of yourself and your family is an incredible side effect of the many benefits available through our forest sessions.

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