



Wootton Community Primary School

11th November 2022

Dates for 2022-2023 (subject to change):

- 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.

Dear Parents,

It has been another busy week with children working hard and engaging in some really exciting activities. It is always so encouraging to spend time in each classroom, listening to the children explain their learning and share their books with them. We are so pleased that the children are working hard with their homework which really does have such a positive impact on their daily work so please do ensure your children complete their homework tasks and try to read everyday - even if it is just a page!

Our new PTA committee met on Wednesday to put some ideas together for Christmas. Unfortunately we do not have enough volunteers to be able to run a Christmas fayre in the same way that we have done in previous years, however we are still planning to hold a Christmas event on Friday 2nd December. This will be a Christmas disco with added activities for children to partake in, such as the chocolate tombola, Jolly Jar sale, lucky dip etc. We will hold two discos as we did at Halloween but ask that parents come along with the first disco please. The first disco will run from 3-4.15pm, the second from 4.30-6pm. The same items/activities will be available at both discos so that children are not missing out. We are also hoping to have a raffle with tickets available on the day. We have already received a very generous donation from MB Carpentry and several other prizes too, however if you are able to donate a raffle prize or if you work for a company that can donate a prize, please let us know or send it into school. On **Friday 25th November**, children can wear their own clothes to school if they bring in an item for the fayre. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 will need to bring an item for the tombola or lucky dip and children in Years 3 to 6 will need to bring a chocolate item **NO NUTS (please check packaging)** for the chocolate tombola. We will send more information out soon and how to make a Jolly Jar, so please look out for this and put the 2nd of December in your diary, thank you. The PTA will still need some support for this event so if you are able to help please let Layla Sinnick know either via the PTA Facebook page or at school (Callum in Year 3). We will be having our school Christmas parties on the afternoon on Thursday 15th December and we are hoping that we may have some special visitors join us who will be bringing a small gift for EVERY child. This is being supported by a donation from MB Carpentry and also the PTA, thank you.

It was great to hear the reasons for Star Pupils this week and also we enjoyed congratulating Florence in Year 1 and EmilyRose in Year 3 for earning their Remembrance badges at Rainbows and Guides last week. EmilyRose also celebrated becoming the "Seconder" of Fox Group at her Brownie pack—well done! A huge well done also to Travis from Year 3 who competed in a Muay Thai competition on the mainland, earning a medal for his performance despite his brother being very poorly and mum not being able to attend to cheer him on. We are so proud of you!

This week our Numbots highest coin achievers (up to Thursday evening) - are first place Patryk in Year 1, second place Tyler D in Year 5, third place Harry in Year 1, fourth place Daisy in Year 3 and fifth place Eddie in Year 1 and our TTRS top 5 coin earners this week (up to Thursday evening) are Koby in Year 5, second place Lorenzo in Year 3, third place Sebby also in Year 3, fourth place Oliver in Year 5 and fifth place Spencer in Year 5 - 5 House Points to each child, well done!

Also this morning we had an additional assembly led by Year 6 for Remembrance Sunday. Year 6 have been working hard over the last week to write moving poems and provide us with a range of information as to why we celebrate Remembrance Day. Thank you Year 6 for leading such a superb and thoughtful assembly.

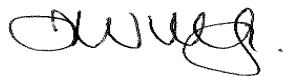
This afternoon the children have been completing a range of activities linked to road safety ranging from reminding the children of the importance of wearing a cycle helmet, through to being visible and why we need a car seat and seatbelt. Next week our JTAs will be launching the 'Bling my bag' competition for the children to enter—more details to follow next week. Also next week we launch the National Anti-bullying week with the theme 'Reach out'. On Monday I have encouraged the children to wear odd socks to celebrate that we are all different and that it is OK to be different!

Talking of socks, I cannot believe how much lost property we seem to have gained already this week, including a sock! PLEASE label your children's clothes so that they can be returned when they misplace them, thank you.

Many of the children will have had the opportunity to work with Miss West since September whilst she has been completing her apprenticeship with us. Sadly, for personal reasons, Miss West has decided that she is not going to continue her training and will not be coming back next week. I am sure you will join me in wishing her much luck and success in whatever path she decides to take next.

Well done to our Tag rugby team who took part in the Primary tag rugby final yesterday. Whilst they didn't win overall, we are incredibly proud that they got to the final and played so well for the school.

Jane Wilford
Headteacher



Did your child miss their flu vaccination?

The NHS School Age Immunisation Service are returning to school on Monday 21st November. If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccination, please complete the link sent from the immunisation service, or call 0300 123 5074 for more information.

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we started looking at the book 'Owl Babies'. We have read it and have enjoyed painting pictures of owls as well as identifying numbers on an owl and then adding the correct amount of feathers to this. We also started our new phonics program and learnt 3 phonemes this week. The children really enjoyed it and were very focused. We had lots of opportunities to bump into our sounds throughout the week in class.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week we focused on using capital letters at the start of every sentence. We also wrote sentences about the main events in the story and used 'and' to join clauses. In Maths we continued to work on counting in twos. After this, we practised sharing into 2 equal groups, using resources and drawings to help us. We learned about the key events in space travel across the world in our History lesson then we put the events in order on a timeline. In Science we learned about the differences between mammals and reptiles. We looked at pictures of different animals and decided if they are mammals or reptiles then labelled them. We enjoyed our Art lesson this week. We continued to practise mixing primary colours and we also practised printing to make a pattern.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 have absolutely flown with their writing this week! We have been so impressed with their enthusiasm and achievements whilst planning and writing a fact file about Wolves linked to our class text. Both the quality and quantity of their writing has been fantastic and they should all feel very proud of what they have produced! In Maths we have been focusing on addition using the number line, and beginning to apply our knowledge of number bonds to support addition strategies. We very much enjoyed testing different materials in Science to decide which would be most suitable for Traction Man's tent - our final decision was something waterproof, flexible, light, and strong. Fantastic scientific thinking, everyone!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week Year 3 have been busy retelling the story of the Stone Age Boy. We have looked at including a variety of key vocabulary and using specific conjunctions to extend our writing. In Maths we have continued to focus on multiplication and division. The children have been working on arrays, number lines and inverse operations. It was a very tricky concept to begin with, but the class has done amazingly and have really persevered through it. In Science we looked at the key visual characteristics of different types of rocks. As a class we then began to sort them into igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic. This linked in nicely with our Stone age topic in History, where we looked at the houses through prehistoric history, how they changed and the reasons behind these changes. Well done for all the hard work Year 3.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

In English this year in Year 4, we have been focussing on the story of The Great Kapok Tree. Pupils look at reasons for and against the man cutting down the tree. They formed their views and shared them in a conscience alley. They have also written sentences with fronted adverbials and learnt to use rhetorical questions. They combined their learning at the end of the week to write a persuasive piece from the point of view of a rainforest animal. In Maths, pupils have been rehearsing their multiplication knowledge around 2 digit and 1 digit numbers. They have also learnt about tenths and how they can apply their rounding of whole numbers to the rounding of decimals. Alongside this, pupils have found out about the four layers of a rainforest and how they are different, they have looked at balanced diets in Science and they have discussed digital footprints and spam.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 5 have had a fantastic week. In English, the children wrote brilliant character descriptions of Count Olaf and worked really hard to upskill their vocabulary, having worked on synonyms. In Maths, we have explored equivalent fractions, learned how to convert between mixed and improper fractions as well as ordering and comparing a sequence. However, the highlight of the week was our PSHE lesson where the children learned how the qualities of true friendship and listening skills can aid communication.



WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Year Six, the children have been refining their poetry writing skills with some moving poetry about WWI. They have been challenged to include rich figurative language and to structure their poem in an effective way. The use of repeating patterns has been one particularly successful method. In Maths, we have made good progress with the formal long division method, which has proven challenging to lots of us but the children have shown excellent perseverance and resilience. In Art, we have produced some artwork inspired by Remembrance Day, and in Science we enjoyed creating different electrical circuits and representing them with symbol circuit diagrams. During History, we found out more about the religious beliefs of the Maya people.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Pesto Pasta Bake, or Vegetable Chilli, with Ice Cream for pudding.

TUESDAY— Pork Sausage and Mash, or Vegetable Korma, with Flapjack for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Pork, or Vegetable Pastry Roll, with Jelly for pudding.

THURSDAY - Beef Bolognese, or Vegetarian Cottage Pie, with a Chocolate Slice for pudding.

FRIDAY - Fish Fingers and Chips, or Tomato Veggie Burger, with a Crispy Crackle Bar for pudding.

If your child is in Year R, 1 or 2 and therefore entitled to UIFSM, we are more than happy for them to order a school dinner to try and bring in a packed lunch as well, in case they do not like it.

Star Pupils

Murphy Year 1	Louis	Star Pupil parents may join Friday's Celebration Assembly to see their child presented with their Star Pupil certificates at 9am.
Gravett Year 2	Harry M	
Hughes Year 3	Levi	
Pullman Year 4	Kurtis	
Horowitz Year 5	Chloe	Please sign in at the office before making your way around to the hall.
Blackman Year 6	Charlie S	



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	91.1	91.6
Murphy	92.3	93.5
Gravett	94.7	93.2
Hughes	91.1	94.1
Pullman	95.1	95
Horowitz	94.5	94
Blackman	94.4	95.1
Whole School	95.1	93.5

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Pullman

	Lates This Week	Since September
Donaldson	0	5
Murphy	0	4
Gravett	2	21
Hughes	4	18
Pullman	2	6
Horowitz	0	6
Blackman	1	9
Whole School	9	78
Total Minutes	105	1048

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

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
Special Educational Needs
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

Community Lantern Making 'Houses'

Come and make a house shaped lantern to take part in the lantern parade at **Merry and Bright, in Ryde, on Friday 16th December**. During the session you will create the willow frame, cover it with tissue and glue and decorate it with windows and other details. Everyone welcome, families and individuals, no prior experience needed.



Saturday 26th November
11am - 2pm
Ryde Methodist Church Hall
14 Garfield Road, Ryde, PO33 2PT

£5 per lantern

Places are limited
Booking essential
email
gemma@thenewcarnivalcompany.com
or call 01983 716095



Lantern Leaders Free Workshop

Become a lantern leader and learn how to successfully plan, prepare and deliver lantern making workshops for your community or school. You can then take part in our Merry and Bright Lantern Parade in Ryde, Friday 16th December.

This one off session is suitable for complete beginners or for existing leader who want to refresh their skills.



Wednesday 23rd November
5 - 7 30pm

The Coaching House
13 Union Road
Ryde
PO33 2ER

Free Training Booking Essential

To book, or for more information, please contact:

Gemma Mallinson
Tel: 01983 716095
gemma@thenewcarnivalcompany.com



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New Carnival Presents

RYDE Merry and Bright

Friday 16th December
Join us... 5-8pm
Celebrations in the Town

* **Lantern Parade** (5.30pm)
Start from top of Dover Street, to
Star St, High St, Cross St, and
ending in Vernon Square)

* **Illuminations** (The Neon
Garden in St Thomas Rest, the
Land and the Sea in Vernon
Square)

* **Music & Entertainment**

* **Food Stalls**

Join in-
Lantern Making Workshops:

Family Workshop- Sat 26th Nov
11-2pm Ryde Methodist Church

Lantern Leaders Course-
Weds 23rd Nov 5-7.30pm The Coaching
House, Union Rd, Ryde

To book contact:
Gemma@thenewcarnivalcompany.com
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Please remember to let us know as soon as possible if you wish to take part in lantern making workshops held in school. We can only run this if we have at least 30 families willing to take part. More information can be found on the email sent out by Miss Holmes on Tuesday.