



Wootton Community Primary School

6th January 2022

Dates for 2023 (subject to change):

- 10th January—Rearranged Christmas Performance
- 12th January—23rd March—Year 3 Swimming
- 30th January—Year 4 Viking Workshop
- 6th February—Year 3 visit to Brading Roman Villa

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

- 2nd March—World Book Day
- Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th March—Parents Evening

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

Monday 8th May—Bank Holiday Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th May—KS2 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,

Happy New Year to you all - I hope you managed to enjoy the festive break and that you were able to avoid the bugs that still seem to be causing us problems! The children have returned enthused to work and we are so impressed already in how they are keen to continue their learning. Please can you ensure that your child does not run up and down the steps or the bank outside the office before and after school. This is a health and safety requirement and we really do not want a child to have an accident before or after school!

We have enjoyed hearing all about the different Christmas presents the children received, many being new items of technology. Please can I remind you all that it is vital the correct parental settings are in place and that you monitor what the children are accessing. It has been brought to our attention this week that several younger children have been watching inappropriate YouTube videos and then copying what they have seen in their games in school causing some distress to others. Please ensure that children only have access to age appropriate materials, in particular remembering that it is against the law for children to access resources that are not in line with their age. We will continue to teach the children about the importance of online safety in school and please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any support or guidance with this.

We had a busy celebration assembly today catching up with the Star Pupil children from before Christmas as well as our Stars for this week. We always really enjoy hearing about children's different achievements outside of school but I am aware that some children do not want to stand up in assembly so don't share what they had been up to! Please reassure your child that we are keen to celebrate what they do and that there is no requirement to stand up for the sticker if they do not want to. So please keep sending their certificates in so we can celebrate together, thank you. This week we congratulated Patryk and Everlyn both in Year 1 for their swimming certificates and Matthew in Year 4 also for his swimming certificate - well done everyone!

Our top 5 coin earners for TTRS are Koby in Year 5, Ella in Year 6, Oliver in Year 5, Braeden in Year 4 and Millie also in Year 4, each child has been awarded 5 House Points. We had a little confusion over the top 5 Numbots coin earners as the children congratulated in assembly were incorrect. Due to this confusion those children were still able to keep their 5 House Points however the correct top 5 are Zach in Year 2, Elodie in Year 4, Patryk in Year 1, Cassie in Year 2 and Tyler D in Year 5, well done to everyone!

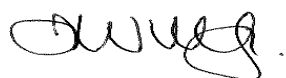
Talking of TTRS and Numbots, we are exploring the possibility of moving to a different program to refresh children's enthusiasm to complete their homework and timetables practice. In discussion with both staff and children, it is felt that many children are not finding TTRS as exciting as they did before due to the time we have been using this and are not logging on. We are therefore going to use Maths Shed to set maths homework and children can access timetables activities on here too. Teachers will put information onto Google Classroom regarding this but all the children need to do is use their Spelling Shed log in and they will then have access to the new section Maths Shed. If your child does not have access to the internet please let their teacher know.

We are looking forward to the new clubs starting next week and also the chance to perform our Christmas show for the last time on Tuesday. As with the performances before Christmas, please ensure your child returns on Tuesday at 5.40pm, entrance via their outside classroom door. The evening performance will be filmed and you can still order a DVD if you would like one. Only parents/relatives with tickets will be able to watch, if you have mislaid your tickets please do not worry as we have a list. For the afternoon performance entry will be via the gate at the playground from 1.20pm, for the evening performance, please wait by the hall for entrance at 5.50pm. Children will need to be collected at 7pm, children will not be allowed to walk home alone, many thanks.

We are delighted that more children are having a school lunch now, in particular choosing the hot meal. Please can we remind you that we are a NUT free school due to several children having a severe nut allergy. Sweets should not be in packed lunch boxes and can we ask that grapes are cut in half, thank you. Having had a child who was a very fussy eater, I really do appreciate how hard it can be to provide children with a balanced packed lunch, however too many sugary food items do have a negative impact on children's concentration levels so to ensure that your child is given the best chance to focus in the afternoon, please try to limit the amount of sugar items in their packed lunch, alternatively encourage your child to try a school meal. Baguettes can be made without butter and jacket potatoes are available every day.

Wishing you a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing some of you next week at the performances.

Jane Wilford
Headteacher



ADULT LEARNING

Spring 2023

All classes take place at
The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde,
PO33 1QS unless otherwise stated.

*Concessionary rates are offered to learners who are in receipt of specific means tested benefits.





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ICT

Computers for Beginners

6 week course ▶ Thursday 5 January to 9 February ▶ 1pm to 4pm ▶ Free

Computers for Beginners

East Side Curve, East Cowes Town Hall, York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6RU

6 week course ▶ Wednesday 22 February to 29 March ▶ 9.30am to 12.30pm ▶ Free

Essential Digital Skills For Life Level Entry 3

12 week course ▶ Thursday 5 January to 30 March ▶ 9.30am to 12pm ▶ Free

Essential Digital Skills For Work Level 1

10 week course ▶ Monday 9 January to 20 March ▶ 9.30am to 12.30pm ▶ Free

ICDL Word Processing Level 1 and 2

6 week course ▶ Tuesday 3 January to 7 February ▶ 9.30am to 12.30pm ▶ Free

ICDL Spreadsheets Level 1 and 2

6 week course ▶ Thursday 23 February to 30 March ▶ 1pm to 4pm ▶ Free

ART

Drawing Skills

3 week course ▶ Monday 23 January to 6 February ▶ 10am to 1pm ▶ £55/£32*

Drawing with Pastels

3 week course ▶ Monday 20 February to 6 March ▶ 6pm to 8.30pm ▶ £48/£28*

Watercolour Still Life

Workshop ▶ Wednesday 22 February ▶ 10am to 3pm ▶ £35/£22*

From Reality to Abstraction

3 week course ▶ Thursday 9 to 23 March ▶ 6 to 8pm ▶ £40/£25*

Landscapes using Acrylic Paint

Workshop ▶ Wednesday 29 March ▶ 10am to 3pm ▶ £35/£22*

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Introduction to Crystals and Dowsing

Workshop ▶ Saturday 18 March ▶ 10am to 12pm ▶ £10/£5*

Indian Head Massage

Workshop ▶ Sunday 22 January ▶ 10am to 1pm ▶ £15/£8*

All classes are for adults (19+ years old)

CRAFT

Embroidery for Beginners

2 week course ▶ Thursday 19 to 26 January ▶ 6pm to 8.30pm ▶ £35/£22*

Knitted Ear Warmer

Workshop ▶ Sunday 29 January ▶ 10am to 2pm ▶ £25/£15*

Weaving with Wire

Workshop ▶ Saturday 25 February ▶ 10am to 3pm ▶ £35/£22*

Interior Design – Planning your Next Project

5 week course ▶ Wednesday 1 to 29 March ▶ 6pm to 8pm ▶ £55/£30*

Applique Funky Tote Bag

2 week course ▶ Friday 10 to 17 March ▶ 10am to 2pm ▶ £50/£30*

Crochet for Beginners

3 week course ▶ Monday 13 to 27 March ▶ 6pm to 8pm ▶ £40/£25*

Natural Woven Wall or Window Decoration

Workshop ▶ Wednesday 15 March ▶ 10am to 3pm ▶ £35/£22*

Island Life in Lino Printing

2 day course ▶ Saturday 18 March and Sunday 19 March ▶ 10am to 2pm ▶ £50/£30*

Recycled Flower Wreath

Workshop ▶ Friday 24 March ▶ 10am to 3pm ▶ £35/£22*

WORKSHOP MORNING
£10/£5*

Workshop ▶ Sunday 5 February ▶ 10am to 12pm

Macrame Keyring

Produce a beautiful keyring using simple macrame knots.

Painting with Tissue Paper

Explore ways of bleeding tissue paper to produce art that looks like a watercolour.

Needle Felted Mini Picture

Create a mini landscape picture using merino fibres and needle felting techniques.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WORKSHOPS
£10/£5*

Workshop ▶ Sunday 5 March ▶ 10am to 12pm

Open to adults 19+ with one accompanied child over 10yrs

Weaved Wall Art

Make a woven wall hanging using mixed media and personal items.

Springtime Wreath

Discover your creative skills and create your very own seasonal wreath.

Felt Keyring

Create a colourful keyring and you'll never lose your keys again (hopefully).



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WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have enjoyed reading our new text 'Whatever next!' about a bear who travels to the moon in his space rocket! We have used our space area to make food, using playdough, that we might take to the moon and plan to add to our role play area over the weeks. We have moved our 'small world' area and have added more resources this week which has meant this area has been very busy and we have heard lots of new vocabulary being used whilst the children are playing. We have started our phonics program again this week and are working really hard on our blending. We have had a great return to school after the Christmas holidays.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in English we read the Gingerbread Man. We talked about the characters in the story, used images to retell the story, wrote captions for pictures from the book and created a story map to show the main events. In Maths we continued to practise addition and subtraction using concrete resources and drawings to help. We also answered word problems. In Geography we looked at maps of the Isle of Wight, UK and Europe and identified Wootton on these maps. We started to look at the different features of Wootton. In Art we practised our drawing and colouring skills and tried to draw neat, detailed pictures of houses from different fairytales.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 have had a storming first week back! In English we have started our new book "Journey", exploring the main character's feelings and making predictions about what might happen next based on our knowledge of story themes and conventions. The children have worked really hard in Maths to apply their Place Value understanding to partition 2-digit numbers in to tens and ones in different ways - using resources, part-part-whole models and number sentences. I have been so impressed with their perseverance - especially with partitioning into different combinations. We were also blown away with their fantastic art work this week, sketching Arctic animal faces in preparation for creating our clay models next week. Happy New Year everyone!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 3 has settled back into the year brilliantly. We started our new book in English, The Book of Bones. The children have really enjoyed what we have read so far and are very eager to read the rest of the book. This week we have been taking a really good look at the text, working on finding and retrieving information in order to answer questions. In Maths, we have started looking at fractions again. We recapped some of our previous learning and then moved onto looking at how we can use our times table and division knowledge to help us quickly solve fractions of amounts. In History, we started our new topic on the Romans. This week they shared all the information we already knew about the Romans. The class are incredibly excited to find out more, especially about Boudicca poisoning herself. In Science the children looked at healthy eating, and what makes up a healthy diet. They each designed a healthy balanced meal.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

This week year 4 have been very busy getting stuck in to new and exciting topics. In English, we started by looking at the themes of villains and heroes. We identified characteristics and examples for each. We then were introduced to a character from our text (although we haven't named him as yet). We created descriptive words to describe parts of him and, combined with propositional phrases, wrote a character description. In Maths, we started the week ordering numbers and refreshing our place value knowledge. We have now moved onto adding together numbers using the formal method. In Science, we started our electricity unit understanding whether things use battery or mains power to work. It was a great opportunity to discuss rechargeable batteries and look at how many different things can run in more than one way. In History, we started our Viking work by pretending to be spies gathering information for the Anglo Saxons. We did some hot seating work to understand more about Viking boats and we started to talk about things often associated with the Vikings.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What an amazing first week back! I have been so impressed with the way Year 5 have returned to school after the Christmas break. Each and every student has settled down quickly back into normal school routines and the work produced has been outstanding. This week, we have begun to study our new class novel 'Holes' and have begun to plan for our persuasive advert. In Maths we have explored decimals and percentages. In Science we discussed the forces that shape our world. The highlight of the week was the question and answer session we had based on crime and punishment in Britain and how punishments have developed throughout the course of history. Well done year 5. Keep up the good work!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week, the children have been learning about the passive voice in English, using it in their own sentences and then applying these to a letter inspired by The Explorer. In Maths, we have been looking at the correct order of operations and the children were introduced to the BIDMAS (or BODMAS) rule, which some grown-ups might remember from their school days! We started our art topic on Frank Bowling and look forward to trying out some of the different painting techniques he has used in his career. In Science, the children learned about the circulatory system, focusing on the heart in particular.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Macaroni Cheese, or Vegetable Chilli, with Flapjack for pudding.

TUESDAY— Pork Sausages and Mash, or Vegetable Korma, with Ice Cream for pudding.

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

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

FRIDAY— Fish Fingers and Chips, or Tomato Veggie Burger, with 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	Amelia	Star Pupil parents may join Friday's Celebration Assembly to see their child presented with their Star Pupil certificates at 9am.
Gravett Year 2	Oliver	
Hughes Year 3	Gracie	
Pullman Year 4	Ewan	
Horowitz Year 5	Ayla	Please sign in at the office before making your way around to the hall.
Blackman Year 6	Ella	



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	99.2	90.6
Murphy	93.1	91.9
Gravett	100	92.3
Hughes	95.4	91.9
Pullman	99.2	94.2
Horowitz	93.8	92
Blackman	98.8	91.5
Whole School	97.1	91.9

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Gravett

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Donaldson	1	9
Murphy	1	14
Gravett	3	34
Hughes	1	25
Pullman	4	19
Horowitz	1	15
Blackman	0	16
Whole School	11	132
Total Minutes	108	2177

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

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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RYDE TOWN COUNCIL RBA WIGHTLINK ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND new: carnival

RYDE Merry and Bright

Friday 16th December
Join us... 5-8pm
FREE EVENT

Roaming Pyrolight Grinch Theatre Trala Moths 'Scrooge'

Vernon Square
The Land and the Sea & Christmas Games
Double Take 6.30-6.50pm
Monkton Merman Story 6.55-7.05pm
Neon Dancers 7.10-7.20pm
Monkton Merman Story 7.35-7.35pm

Minghella Square
Santa's Sleigh & FREE Facepainting
Hannah the Vintage Songbird 5.15-5.40pm
Neon Dancers 6.45-6.55pm

St Thomas's
Lucy Baker 5-6.15pm
Vectis Brass Band 6.30-7pm
Isobel Russell 7-7.30pm
FOOD MARKET 'Neon Garden'

Christmas Arena Town Square
In the Square:
5.4pm The Grinch
5.7pm Christmas Crowns Activity
5.8pm DJ Kaf-Tan
On the Stage:
5.00-5.30pm Huxley Magic
5.30-5.45pm 'Scrooge'
5.45-6.15pm Em Johnson Acoustic Set
6.15-6.40pm Milla Lake, Vocalist
6.40-7.00pm Raw Samba
7.00-7.30pm DJ Kaf-Tan
7.30-7.55pm Jaydene Aerial

Victoria Arcade
Double Take 6.30-6.55pm
'Scrooge' 6.60pm
Hannah the Vintage Songbird 6.20-7pm
Em Johnson & Moths 7-7.30pm

Symbol Key:
Lantern parade route
Lantern start 2
Lower Park School
Illuminated gardens
Performance & entertainment areas

SCAN ABOVE FOR FULL PROGRAMME INFO

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- A) Income Support (IS)
- B) 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)