



Wootton Community Primary School

12th May 2023

Dates for 2023

(subject to change):

- **Tuesday 23rd May**—
Y3 class trip
- **Tuesday 23rd to
Friday 26th May**—
Year 6 Residential

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

- **Tuesday 6th June** —
Y5 Class trip
- **Thursday 8th
June**—Y2 class trip
- **Tuesday 27th
June**— Y1 class trip
- **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,

What an incredible evening we had last Friday at the family disco, the sun even came out too! Thank you to all that attended and a massive thank you to all the parents, staff, children and children belonging to staff, for all their help. We would not have been able to have run such a successful event without the support from parents and are so grateful that several more people came along to offer on the day. Thank you to Morrisons superstore in Newport who kindly donated donuts to sell and ice to keep the drinks cool. We are delighted to share that we raised a profit of £510 which we will use to purchase a storage box and furnishing for our long awaited reading shed. Our PTA Chair Layla has some fantastic ideas for a summer fayre on Friday 14th July straight after school, however these will not take place if the PTA do not have guaranteed help prior to the event. If you are able to come along to the planning meeting on **Wednesday 7th June, in school at 6pm**, that would be great. However, if you cannot come to the meeting but you are able to help with a stall, please let Layla know either via the PTA Facebook page or emailing the school and then we can plan for more activities at the event.

We are so very, very proud of our Year 6 children who have shown incredible resilience and positivity towards their SATs this week. Thank you to all the staff who supported the children and to Years 4 and 5 for moving out of their classrooms! We are so fortunate to have such a supportive team of staff who give much of their own time to ensure that the children get the best support they deserve. Thank you to Mrs Melvin who came to school early everyday to support me with breakfast, to Mr Wilford who cooked for us everyday and thank you to all the Year 6 parents who ensured that the children were so well prepared.

I appreciate that with just one half term of the academic year children are growing out of their uniforms but please ensure your child is wearing the correct clothing and correct PE kit too. We are seeing more and more children wearing hoodies, trainers etc to school and ask that the uniform policy is adhered to. I am conscious of the cost that brings and we are able to offer support with this so if you are struggling to kit your child out, please contact the school office as we may be able to support you through some funding we have been given.

We had a great celebration assembly hearing about all the wonderful activities the children participate in outside of school. Well done to Faye in Year 4 who shared her cub badges, to Ella in Year 3 who has been awarded two swimming certificates and to Kenny also in Year 3 for being awarded a trophy at a football tournament for being the best goalkeeper, well done everyone!

We also celebrated with Bella in Year 1 and Poppy in Year 4 who both won a coronation colouring competition run by Utilita Energy Hub. The children were asked to either colour the crown picture given or make their own design.

Bella and Poppy were selected as the winners and were presented with a voucher and had a picture taken of the presentation. The winning designs and picture will be on display in their Hub, well done girls.

We also congratulated our Numbots stars this week. Our top five children who have achieved the most coins over the last seven days are first place Jessica in Year 1, second place Killian in Year 5, third place Daisy in Year 3, fourth place Patryk in Year 1 and fifth place Cassie in Year 2, super work!

This week the top five coin earners over the last seven days in TTRS are first place Koby in Year 5, second place Spencer also in Year 5, third place Kayden in Year 6, fourth place Braedon in Year 4 and fifth place Alfie A in Year 4, great work everyone!

We also congratulated children who have been using EdShed at home. Scores were collated for work since September and we congratulated the top 5 children for spelling shed and maths shed. For spelling shed these are Matthew in Year 4, Phoenix C in Year 5, Koby also in Year 5, Piper in Year 4 and Alfie A also in Year 4. Our top 5 for maths shed are Alfie A in Year 4, Matthew also in Year 4, Oliver in Year 3, Koby in Year 5 and Ayla also in Year 5, well done - each child has gained an extra 5 House Points.

Your child will bring home a chance to enter a poster competition being run by our catering provider Chartwells. Next Saturday is World Bee Day and the children have the chance to win a badge and a T-shirt. The child's poster needs to show their ideas on how we can help bumble bees, 'How can we Bee Helpful?'. Please return your child's named entry by next **Thursday 18th May** to be in with a chance to win the prize!

Lastly, as you are aware, all of our school meals are cooked freshly to order each day by Chartwells. If your child is late to school, please make sure you order a school dinner with the office. If your child has an appointment, it is crucial that you contact the office to order their school dinner by 9.30am so that we can ensure a meal is cooked for them.

I hope you have a lovely weekend,



Jane Wilford
Headteacher

New Reception Parents Coffee Meeting

We are holding a coffee meeting for parents
of our new Reception September 2023
intake on

Thursday 18th May @ 9.15am and 6.30pm

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have continued to work on our number bonds and have focused on numbers 3, 4 and 5. All the children have had a really good go at recording their answers. Some used numbers whilst others drew circles. For some children they could recall the number bonds whilst others used concrete resources to support them. The children have also been finishing off pirate pictures that we started last week and we will soon be labelling them. In the writing area the children have been drawing their own maps using tea stained paper and have created some fantastic work. This week we started to welcome some of the new starters for September and the Reception children have been amazing by welcoming them and being very kind.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week we read a new book called Blue Penguin. We shared our opinions on the story and discussed the meaning of new vocabulary. We also practised using exclamation marks when retelling the story. In Maths we learnt to name 3D shapes, such as cube, cuboid, sphere and cylinder. We went on a shape hunt and created a tally chart to show all of the 3D shapes we found. We also created models using 3D shapes. In Science we learnt about the different parts of a plant. We went outside to look at different plants and we also looked at our sunflowers, which are growing quickly! Then we drew a plant and labelled the different parts. In Art we used watercolours to paint the desert. We sketched the picture first then practised painting accurately. We thought carefully about the colours we used. In Phonics we have been practising reading and writing words with split digraphs.

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 have been learning all about the Great Fire of London this week, sequencing the events and explaining what unfortunately made the disaster even worse. They explored the materials and designs of Tudor houses and how this contributed to the rapid spread of the fire, but were very pleased to find out that only a few people are recorded to have perished in the fire even though thousands lost their homes. In Maths the children have been showing off their multiplication and division skills, representing this using part-part-whole models and starting to solve some tricky multi-step problems. They have also loved sharing some of our brand new books in our reading corner and I have been so impressed with how their reading has progressed :) Keep up the super work, everyone!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English, Year 3 have been looking at non-chronological reports. The children looked at an example report about Roman women and identified the different features. They then moved onto starting to plan a report of their own about the Iceni tribe, the focus of our current book. During computer time the children researched lots of information about the Iceni and in guided reading looked closely at our text to infer some factual information. We then started to write our reports and will complete them next week.

In Maths, we finished off our unit on division and moved on to looking at shape. We recapped the vocabulary used when sorting and categorising shapes and then moved onto using a variety of different sorting models such as venn and carroll diagrams. The children really enjoyed being able to make their shape investigations their own.

In Science, we moved onto looking at soil types. We explored different areas around the school grounds and made observations about which plants grew there and what soil type was present. The children really enjoyed being able to get outside and partake in some hands-on science work.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

Its been a strange week in Year 4 but also a very exciting one. This week we have combined lots of our learning with Year 5. Amongst other things have built towers and bridges, designed their own mode of transport and become fashion designers. Throughout these combined lessons, pupils have demonstrated great skills of communication, teamwork and resilience. Alongside this, pupils have demonstrated their knowledge of subtraction, read chapter 2 of Friend or Foe and commented on the text, they learnt about the 5 groups of vertebrates and become an expert in one type, they discovered what an evacuee would carry in their suitcase and considered the reasons why they travelled so light and why many foods need to be stored safely.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

It has been a fantastic week in year 5. This week we have explored division through pictorial and abstract methods and applied our learning of the four operations to solve multi step word problems. In Science, we explored the similarities and differences between amphibians and insects and in computing we used our previously taught coding skills to build a maze game based on our class novel. However, the highlight of the week was our years 4 and 5 STEM week. It was amazing to see children from both year groups work together to construct, problem solve and present their ideas. Over the course of the week we created spaghetti towers, completed a business model and pitch for a new transport concept, designed and made an item of clothing from newspaper and recycled material and developed teamwork, leadership and communication skills. I am very proud of each and every member of year 5 who showed excellent behaviour for learning and demonstrated their desire to learn!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week we have been so impressed with the Year Six children's stamina, determination and motivation while completing their SATs assessments, especially maintaining such cheerful and positive attitudes throughout the week. This is a great taster of the kind of resilience they will need to demonstrate when they meet the challenges of secondary school. Once each morning's test was over, we went on to complete some maths investigations, cartooning, French, and learning about the geography of California. The week ends with a post-SATs treat afternoon watching a film and enjoying some popcorn! Well done Year Six on a fantastic, hard-working week and we are all so proud of every single one of you.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Vegetable Pastry Roll with Oat Chocolate Cookie with Fruit for Pudding.

TUESDAY— Chinese Chicken and Vegetable Rice or Macaroni

Cheese with Jelly for pudding

WEDNESDAY— Roast Gammon or Sweet Potato and Chickpea

Roast with Chocolate and Banana Marble Cake for pudding.

THURSDAY - Beef Lasagne or Vegetable Lasagne with Flapjack and Fruit for pudding.

FRIDAY— Fish Fingers and Chips or Vegetarian Dippers and Chips with Ice Cream for pudding.

In addition to the menu above, children can order pasta with tomato sauce or a jacket potato or baguette with a choice of fillings

Star Pupils

Donaldson Year R

Murphy Year 1

Gravett Year 2

Hughes Year 3

Pullman Year 4

Horowitz Year 5

Blackman Year 6

Sebby & Sharon

Logan

Arya

Lorenzo

Harley

Oscar. B

All of Year 6

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 ensure you email an absence note within 2 weeks of your child being absent, otherwise it will be marked down as unauthorised.

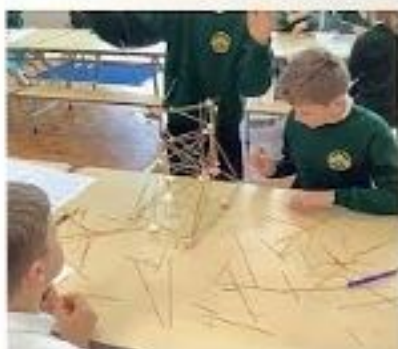
	Attendance This Week (%)	Rolling Attendance since Sept (%)
Donaldson	91.7	92.1
Murphy	92.2	93.5
Gravett	91.6	93.8
Hughes	92.3	93.9
Pullman	93.1	95.3
Horowitz	91.4	93.7
Blackman	100	93.1
Whole School	94.6	93.0

The class with the best attendance this week is:
BLACKMAN

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Donaldson	0	22
Murphy	0	31
Gravett	0	40
Hughes	0	53
Pullman	2	38
Horowitz	1	31
Blackman	0	38
Whole School	3	31
Total Minutes	21	4574

Our school target is 96.5%.

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



Year 4 and 5...

As you know, this week years 4 and 5 have been working in the hall whilst year 6 carry out their assessments. Mrs Barker and Mr Scurr were delighted with the determination, teamwork and leadership skills that years 4 and 5 have displayed during this week's STEM week challenges. The children worked incredibly well together to complete all tasks set and the work produced was of the highest standard. As part of this week the children worked in groups to create spaghetti towers, clothing from recycled material and even created a business proposal for a new type of transport!



**TAPNELL**
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27th May - 3rd June

ONCE UPON A TIME AT TAPNELL...

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Daily
FALCONRY
Flying Displays

Family
Hobby Horse
JouSting

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with
Robin Hood!

Animal
Activities with
The 3 Little Pigs
& Billy Goats
Gruff!

There's even
a fortune telling
cockroach!

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BEE THE HERO

WORLD BEE DAY
20 May



BEE CREATIVE

Enter our competition and draw an epic poster that shows how you think we could all help the bumblebees. Once you've drawn your entry, hand it in to have a chance of winning a bee-themed prize!

The bees work hard to give us food to eat, so let's think how we can help them!



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After School Clay Club

Mondays 4pm until 5:30pm
Sessions start 17th April
at Tregear Pottery, Niton

£108 for 6 weeks

An exciting and unique opportunity for your child to learn a variety of making techniques in our working pottery studio. Over a 6 week period, we will explore wheel throwing, sculpting and modelling and follow the pottery processes through to completion, finishing with a range of glazed and fired pieces to take home.

Spaces are limited so please contact us as soon as possible to secure your spot, email us at:
isleofwightpottery@gmail.com



Ryde Mead Tennis Club OPEN AFTERNOON

SUNDAY 11th JUNE 2pm - 5pm

Play Tennis For Free



On Sunday 11th June, Ryde Mead Tennis Club will be celebrating its 115th year and its first as a not for profit charity

The club is opening its doors and offering free tennis for all

There will be music.



Courtside Café will offer a range of food and drinks!



Members of the community are invited to celebrate with the club.

There will be a programme of **free tennis** and coaching sessions for people of all ages and abilities throughout the afternoon.

All equipment provided. Just turn up!



There will be discounted membership packages to sign up to on the day along with trial membership offers

