



Wootton Community Primary School

15th September 2023

Dates for 2023-24 (subject to change)

Monday 18th September –
Flu Immunisations

Tuesday 19th September –
Parent information sessions in classes 9:00-9:30

Wednesday 27th September –
PTA AGM 6:30pm

Monday 9th October–
School Photos

Monday 16th October–
Year 4 Butser Farm visit

Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th November– Parents evening (more details to follow)

Thursday 9th November
– Year R and Year 1 Performance visit at Haylands School

Tuesday 14th November
— 2024 new Reception tour 10AM and 1:30PM

Thursday 16th November
— 2024 new Reception tour 10AM and 1:30PM

Friday 15th December–
Christingle and Christmas party

Development Days
Monday 18th December
Tuesday 19th December
Thursday 28th March 2024
Friday 26th July 2024

Dear Parents,

What a super busy week we have had and it has been wonderful to have our Reception children complete their first full week. They have settled so quickly and we are really impressed with how well they are learning the school routine - well done Palmer class!

We had a very full assembly today where we congratulated all the children who took part in the Reading Challenge during the summer break. I was delighted that over 40 children completed this, a great improvement from last year - well done everyone! We had a group of swimmers gaining a range of certificates, well done to Ellie in Year 2, Harry M in Year 3, Lorenzo in Year 4 and Matthew in Year 5. We also had a gymnasts/trampolining group who shared a range of certificates. Well done to Jess, Betty, Florence and Amira in Year 2 and Emilyrose and Gracie in Year 4. We also congratulated Patryk in Year 2 who completed a Thai Boxing program and received a certificate and we heard from Max in Year 5 who went off to a skateboarding competition in Southampton where he won 3 spot prizes and also placed 3rd for the 'weirdest trick', winning himself a skateboard. We concluded our extra-curricular activities hearing about the super achievements Eddie in Year 2, Travis in Year 4 and Tyler in Year 6 gained over the weekend at the Southsea Muay Thai festival. All three boys worked extremely hard and were presented with medals. Travis and Eddie also got medals during their summer soccer camp for being 'awesome footballers' and Tyler was named 'student of the month' at Muay Thai for being the most improved. Last Friday I mentioned that Sid in Year 5 had been nominated for the Child of Wight Award for Young Conservationist and I am delighted to share that he won! Look out for some great photos of him on the Isle of Wight radio website and in the County Press.

Mr Scurr has introduced the children to some new homework competitions. We have launched a TTRS (Times tables Rockstars) competition for all pupils in Key Stage 2 to enable children to re-engage with the program and promote times tables across the school. Children will have the chance to be in the top 3 performers in their class as well as top 3 across KS2. Children in KS1 will have the same opportunity using Numbots. We also celebrate the top 5 children for maths and spelling shed as well as the top class. This week our top children for spelling shed are Theo in Year 4, Phoenix R in Year 6, Daisy in Year 4, Matthew in Year 5 and Sidney also in Year 5. For maths our top children this week are Alfie A in Year 5, Theo in Year 4, Matthew in Year 5, Louis also in Year 5 and Isaiah in Year 4. The top class for maths and spelling shed this week is Year 5 for both, well done everyone!

We also wished Mrs Deakin lots of luck as she starts her maternity leave on Monday. I am so grateful that she has kept going for so long with only a few weeks until her baby arrives; we will share the exciting news when we have it! Next Thursday, 21st, we will be holding our Harvest Festival service at St Marks Church in the morning. This is for Years 1 to 6 and due to space we are unable to open this to parents. However, we need some volunteers to walk with us. If you are able to do so please contact the school office. We will need you from 9am to about 10.15am, many thanks. We would also like to support the local food bank so if you are able to contribute any non-perishable foods such as tins, pasta, rich, toiletries etc. we would be most grateful. Please send in BY WEDNESDAY.

Please see the information attached regarding the Shoebox Appeal. We really do encourage as many children to be involved with this as possible.

On Monday 9th October our school photographer will be to take individual photographs. Siblings within school will also be taken but if you have older or younger siblings we are able to offer the chance to have these photographs taken before school. More details to follow next week.

Don't forget tomorrow is 'Isle of Wight Day' with Brading Roman villa hosting a whole range of activities with entry being only £1 - please see the leaflet attached.

If you call the office at lunchtime you may notice a change in voice! Our Year 6 children volunteer to work in the office to gain confidence in taking messages, sorting post etc. so please bear with us whilst they complete their training!

Talking of Year 6, please note the change to the residential information meeting. This is now taking place on Thursday 5th October at 3pm and 6pm.

We have a new Free School meal form available to apply for meals in school. You may have had a change in your circumstances that has reduced your income. If this is the case your child may be entitled to receive additional funding in school which supports them with activities such as reduced club costs etc as well as a free school meal. If your child is already registered you do not have to apply again but if you think you are eligible please complete the form and return to the office asap. Even though children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 get a free school meal, completing the form will bring the school additional funding so please still complete, thank you.

Please see the dates column for the different events coming up. We will update this throughout the year so please keep an eye out for any changes.

In the meantime I hope you have a fabulous weekend hopefully we will see the sun!



Jane Wilford
Headteacher

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have been introducing more of our routines the children have learnt how to use the house sticker chart, how to set up the snack cafe and we have been trying to remember which row to sit in on the carpet. We have read our text for this half term called 'Supertato' plus we have explored all our other areas in the classroom. We have been trying particularly hard to write some of the letters from our names onto white boards. We have done really well especially as this was our first full week of school!

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a lot of learning we have done in Year 1 this week! In phonics we have been revising our digraphs, reading and spelling lots of words from our book. We have written labels and captions for some of the story events in Peace At Last and enjoyed making the different sounds that keep Mr Bear awake during drama.

In Maths we have been thinking about those tricky teen numbers, counting, reading and writing these in different ways. We investigated and decided that putting objects or pictures into a line before counting them makes it much easier to keep count!

We started Geography this week and looked at different interactive maps showing the world, the continents, different countries and then located our island. We were all very interested to find out that these pictures are taken from space and so we can see the shape of the island, and houses and cars as though we are looking down, like a bird flying. If anyone has a drone camera they would be able to come and fly over the school so that we can see this in real time that would be fantastic...?!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

We've had another great week in Year 2. The class has worked incredibly hard across all subjects.

In English, we continued to look at our Traction Man book. The children found nouns in the book and then around our classroom. We then moved onto looking at proper nouns. The children had to be mini teachers and find where I had forgotten to capitalise my proper nouns and change them.

In Math we have continued to look at 10 more and 10 less than numbers up to 100. We have been comparing numbers using $<$ $>$ and $=$. The children applied all their knowledge to some problem solving activities and also completed a reasoning task as a group, explaining their answer in good detail.

In Science, we looked at material properties and why certain materials might be selected for specific purposes. The children looked around the classroom, picked several objects and then had to explain why they had been made from the material they identified.

We had great fun in our Art this week too. The children continued colour mixing and then progressed onto creating variations of the same colour by adding white to lighten the tone.

Well done Year 2! Keep up the amazing work!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 3 has had another super week, in English we have been writing character descriptions with the use of coordinating conjunctions when writing sentences. In Maths we have been learning about mental addition of up to 3 digit numbers. We used numicon to remind us of our number bonds to 10 and 20 as well as using place value grids, part-part whole models and bar models to help us find number bonds to 100.

In French we learnt to say hello, hi, my name is... and goodbye to Florence the French puppet.

In Science, we continued our new topic about light. We tested materials with torches to see what happened to the light when it is shone through transparent, opaque and translucent objects.

Well done for another super week Year 3!

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

Another great week in Year 4!

In English, we have been hooked on the epic tale of Beowulf as part of our Anglo-Saxon topic. The class have particularly been intrigued by Beowulf's confrontation with the gruesome Grendel which has become the topic of lively discussion. Following this, we have been learning a catchy song to help us remember the rules of speech punctuation to bring characters and dialogues to life. In Maths, we have been tackling rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. In History, we continue to journey back in time to explore the Anglo-Saxon invasion and how and why this occurred. Meanwhile, in Science, we have been investigating gases and their properties, igniting a sense of curiosity and knowledge. Overall, it has been a very exciting week in Year 4 and I look forward to another fab week ahead! Well done Richards class

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

It has been a wonderful second week in Year 5. In English we have continued our study of Kensuke's Kingdom and applied new found knowledge of relative clauses to write wonderful diary entries. The children have worked hard to plan, write, edit and improve their writing. We have also learned how to edit using digital dictionaries, a thesaurus and reading windows. In maths we have learned how to round a given whole number to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. We have also begun learning about addition; using a range of methods to solve problems that involve exchanging. In the wider curriculum we have explored physical and human features of Australia and used digital maps to locate these features. In computing we have explored how to maintain a secure password and recapped how to stay safe online. In art the children watched several videos of ships caught in a storm and used Hokusai's 'The great wave of Kanagawa' as inspiration to sketch an ocean scene. However, my highlight of the week was our science investigation into separating materials, where the children used a range of equipment to separate sand, salt, plastic, wood and shells from water.



WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Year Six, we have enjoyed reading more of our class text, War Horse, and using our inference skills to think carefully about the character of Albert's father. We then wrote diary entries from his perspective and tried to include relative clauses. In maths, our work on place value has helped us understand the number line as an important tool. In art, we looked at Banksy's 'Clacton Pigeons' mural, discussed the different opinions on it and then created our own, adapted versions with a message of our own choosing. In science, we are learning how to plan our own investigations around shadow, making sure we consider what can be measured and what must stay the same. In PE, the children continue to develop their tag rugby skills, and in French we learned how to generate sentences about sports.

DINNER MENU

MONDAY— Cheese and Tomato Pizza or Tomato Pasta with Vanilla Ice Cream for pudding.

TUESDAY— Pork Sausages or Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese with Strawberry Jelly with fruit for pudding.

WEDNESDAY— Roast Turkey or Roasted Vegetable Butterbean Crumble with Hot Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard for pudding.

THURSDAY - Beef Bolognese or Vegetarian Bolognese with Lemon Slice with Fruit for Pudding.

FRIDAY— Fish Fingers and Chips or Vegetarian Dippers and Chips with Crispy Crackle Bar for Pudding.

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

Star Pupils

Donaldson Year R

Murphy Year 1

Alfie

Gravett Year 2

Eddie

Hughes Year 3

Shaantanu

Pullman Year 4

Levi

Horowitz Year 5

Louis

Blackman Year 6

Imogen

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 (%)
Palmer	95.4	90.4
Armah	100	99.2
Hussain-	98.5	99.3
Shien Ng	97.7	97.5
Richards	95.9	97.9
Aderin-Pocock	98.8	97.7
Islam	96.9	96.5
Whole School	97.6	97.1

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Armah

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	1	1
Armah	1	1
Hussain-Gamble	1	1
Shien Ng	2	2
Richards	3	3
Aderin-Pocock	0	0
Islam	3	3
Whole School	11	11
Total Minutes	87	87

Our school target is 96.5%.

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



Wootton Community Primary School

Open Days for September 2024

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 14th and
Thursday 16th
November 2023

Tours at 10:00am
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.



16th
September
10am - 4pm

Bouncy
Castles,
Activities
& Show
Arena

Isle of
Wight Day

Be A Roman For The Day

Entry to Brading Roman Villa £1.00 for
Island residents only plus all the
Isle of Wight Day Activities.

Join
our
Roman
Parade

Volunteer
Fair



Isle of Wight Day 16th September 2023 – Be a Roman for the Day!

Isle of Wight Day is excited to announce that we will be holding our annual celebration event at Brading Roman Villa on Saturday 16th September, and we would love school children from across the Island to attend.

The event will be an inclusive fun and discovery day for all the family, with a special price of only £1 per person to enter Brading Roman Villa's historic site and museum and join in with the numerous activities available on the day. These will include Roman soldier school, battle re-enactments, Roman crafts, bouncy castles, a vintage fun fair, displays, music and a chance to discover the services of local community organisations at our Voluntary Fayre.

There will also be a Roman parade on the day where children can march around the grounds of the villa showcasing Roman shields and swords made by themselves.

Get Involved – Catapult Competition!



In the run up to the event we are inviting all children to take part in our catapult competition, to build a catapult over the summer holidays and bring it to the event on 16th September for judging.

We have prepared a video which we would be delighted if you could show in your school assembly, which has Nipper, the Isle of Wight Day mascot, demonstrating how to make a catapult using pencils, elastic bands and a plastic spoon.

The video link is here: <https://youtu.be/pMAjOZIMUq8>

Promoting the Event

In addition to showing the video we would be delighted if you could incorporate the attached promotional leaflet in your newsletter, giving full details about the event.

Roman Crafts

If you are able to make Roman shields or swords in school for the children to bring on the day for the parade that would be great, otherwise encouraging children to make them at home would also be fantastic. Any materials are great – cereal boxes, loo rolls, or any other recycled materials.

We thank you for your support for this special day for Islanders and if you have any questions or would like any additional information please do contact us. Otherwise we look forward to seeing you all on the day, armed with Roman catapults, shields and swords!

The Isle of Wight Day Team

Becky Daley (becky@isleofwightday.org)

Catherine Cousins (catherine@isleofwightday.org)



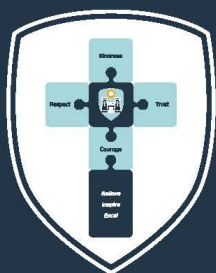


Christ the King College

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING



Wed 20th Sept 2023 5-7pm For more information visit: christthekingcollege.co.uk



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Year 7 Open Evening

Thursday 5th October 2023, 5.00-7.30pm

Presentation at 5.00pm and 6.00pm followed by tours of the Secondary School
Open Morning: Tuesday 10th October, 9.00-11.00am, please call to book an appointment.



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2-3 and 3-4pm

The Stable Bar at The Castle Inn, Newport

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opportunities and prizes to be won!
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£10 per child

Online sales only, no tickets available on
the day

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- ✓ Team work
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- ✓ Enjoyment
- ✓ Discipline
- ✓ Sportmanship

AGES 7-11

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Visit www.familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk to find out more.



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Adult Community Learning are pleased to launch their new Autumn programme. We have a wide range of workshops and courses on offer, if you are interested in any of the following: Functional Skills English and/or maths, Multiply maths, ICT, Art, Craft, Health and Wellbeing or FREE online short courses, please head over to our website www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses for more information and to book. If you would rather speak to a member of staff, call the office on 01983 817280 or pop into The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde and someone will be only too happy to help you.

If you are interested in developing your skills further, perhaps to retrain or return to work, why not book a careers appointment with our information, advice, and guidance professional? She will tailor the appointment to your needs and can offer you help with CV writing, covering letters, application forms or support you with career changes, redundancy, education and training.

We also have an ICT suite which is open every Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm (term time only) starting Friday 22 September, for anyone wishing to access online learning or get support from a tutor.

We look forward to seeing you.

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IW Fostering



www.iwight.com/fostering or call 01983 823160



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Fit to Foster?

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The truth is that you must be at least 21 years of age. There is no upper age limit, as long as you are physically fit and healthy.



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ISLE OF WIGHT MUSIC HUB

Name: Jo Harwood

Position: Shoebox Co-ordinator

Rotary

Rotary On the Wight CIO



Telephone: 07775 612429 ; e-mail: rotaryonthewight@gmail.com

Dear Parent or Carer,

Once again the Rotary clubs of the Isle of Wight are involved in the annual Wessex Shoe Box Appeal. The boxes, containing gifts for boys and girls of different age groups, are greatly appreciated by the recipients as it is invariably the only gift they will receive at Christmas.

This year your child will be again able to collect the explanatory leaflet to bring home, plus a flat pack box for you to put your gifts into.

We will be sending boxes to displaced and disadvantaged children in Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania and Ukraine. For these children it is not only the gifts that they receive but many of them also treasure the box to keep their private things in. So, by all means please decorate your boxes as it becomes a second gift.

The explanatory leaflet will give you all the information you need regarding suitable items to go into the boxes, plus how you should label your box. Due to rising storage and transportation costs, we are asking your help by sellotaping £2.00 to the top of the box.

We really hope in these difficult times you will feel able to help us in this appeal.

Thank you

Jo Harwood

International Lead for Rotary on the Wight



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RAISING MONEY FOR ASPIRE A

**St. Marks Church,
Station Road Wootton
Coffee Morning ,
Book Sale and
Table Top Sale
10:00am to 12:30**

Saturday 16th September 2023
at

St Marks Church, Station Road Wootton

**Assorted Stalls including quality clothing,
bric a brac, books etc**

Come and grab a bargain

Free Admission

**Wanted Please – Offers of help, books, games, jigsaws,
toys and good quality clothing**

Phone 07866059422

if you need collection of donations

ISLE OF WIGHT MUSIC HUB PRESENTS



Saturday Morning Music Centre

Ensemble opportunities for players of woodwind,
brass, percussion and bowed string players



Saturday mornings during term time

10.00am - 12.00pm

At Osborne House

York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6JT

Annual membership £120

The Hub also supports additional music making opportunities and ensembles during the week.

For further information please contact us using the details below

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SATURDAY'S

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