



Wootton Community Primary School

15th December 2023

Dates for 2023-24
(subject to change)

Tuesday 2nd January
— First day back.

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

Dear Parents,

This week seems to have zoomed past and it has been so busy with the many end of term Christmas activities that take place in a Primary School! Thank you, from behalf of all of the staff, for all our gifts and cards. We hope that the children have enjoyed their last day and we look forward to all the next adventures in the New Year.

Many congratulations to the performance club for leading our Christmas show this year, but also thank you to the whole school community for ensuring that that the event was a great success! Thank you for providing the costumes and bringing your children back to school and thank you to all the staff for giving two evenings to support their classes and to the staff who helped ensure the performance ran so smoothly!

Thank you also for the support with the walk to the church today for the Christingle and also to the PTA for providing every child in the school with a small gift from Father Christmas.

In assembly yesterday we celebrated the House Points for this half term and then combined these to last half-term to find the winning House so far which is Asher-Smith (red).

For this half-term Asher-Smith House (red) got 1025 points, Farrell House (yellow) came second place with 950 points, third place Jones House (green) with 900 points and not far behind in fourth place Stokes House (Blue) with 700 points.

We also congratulated Richards Class (Year 4) for the best overall attendance this term. Each child was given a voucher for a discounted game of bowling at LA Bowl, kindly donated by LA Bowl.

We also congratulated Ellie in Year 2 who showed her Race for Life medal; Sophie in Year 3 who shared her swimming certificate and told us all how she has worked hard for this and from Ollie in Year 5 who took part in a table tennis tournament. Well done to all of you!

Well done for all the efforts made with homework this week. Our top 5 children, each gaining 5 House Points are

Top 10	Maths Shed	Spelling Shed	TTRS	Numbots
1st	Koby (Y6)	Louis (Y5)	Lorenzo (Y4)	Ahbab (Y2)
2nd	Alfie A (Y5)	Sienna (Y5)	Dylan (Y4)	Lucia (Y2)
3rd	Patryk (Y2)	Max (Y5)	Charlie (Y4)	Logan (Y2)
4th	Adiella (Y2)	Daisy (Y4)	Ella (Y4)	Alfie C (Y3)
5th	Harry M (Y3)	Elodie (Y5)	Sebby (Y4)	Adiella (Y2)
Top Class for the week	Islam Class Year 6	Aderin-Pocock Class Year 5	Richards Class Year 4	Hussain-Gambles Class Year 2

Several parents have asked to mention again the issue of parking at the bottom of the drive. We have several parents with a disabled badge who are permitted to park on the double yellow lines however please ensure that you do not double park so that cars can manoeuvre around the car as there have been several traffic jams this week due to cars not being able to pass the parked cars. This also compromises the safe crossing for children. Please keep using the free and large carpark at the Rec and enjoy a stress-free walk through the park!

Talking of being stress-free, I hope you have an incredible Christmas and are able to enjoy some family time and a good break!

We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 2nd January 2024 for an exciting term ahead!

Jane Wilford
Headteacher

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Wilford', written in a cursive style.

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week has been very exciting in school and the children have continued to work hard despite being very tired. This week I carried out the phonics assessments on each child so we are prepared for the New Year and new learning! The children have also made their calendars in the shape of a snow globe. The children did so well in our show and we are so very proud of them as it can be quite overwhelming when standing on the stage. The children really enjoyed their Christmas lunch and it was wonderful to take them to the church for the Christingle service. The children walked so sensibly and were a pleasure to take out. They particularly enjoyed walking with their buddies!

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have been doing an amazing job in their Christmas performances! Well done everyone :)

This week we have been thinking about advertising for some elf helpers for Father Christmas - what would they need to be good at?

In Maths we have solved some tricky Christmas bauble problems and added up Santa hats, presents and snowmen, and recorded our number sentences.

In Art we have been finishing our printing project, creating printing blocks to add texture to our moon prints, and decorating these to make them into special cards to bring home.

We are so very proud of everything the class has achieved during their first term in Year 1 and wish you all a very festive, well-deserved break!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Well done for an amazing end to a great half term!

The children all did fantastically in the performance and the church service. I was so proud of their maturity and enthusiasm.

In English, the children ended our unit of work by writing their own version of our wolf book. The writing was amazing quality and the progress made since September is fantastic!

In Math, we worked on our number facts to 20. We recapped how to use a number line accurately. The children had some tricky Christmas code breakers to solve and worked really hard on their addition and subtraction.

A big well done and I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Yet again it has been yet another busy week for year 3, the children have now completed their design and technology projects and are able to take home their Stone Age scenes with moving components for you all to see.

In History, we completed our Stone Age unit and found out more about who the Celts were and how they managed to survive during this time in British history and the threat they faced when the Romans landed in Britain.

In Music, the children continued to perform to Mr and Mrs Grimshaw with their recorders as well as performing in the Christmas show too. It was fantastic to see such great singing and dancing going on, you should all be really proud of yourselves year 3. Such great enthusiasm and talent you all have!

We wish you all a healthy and happy Christmas holiday and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year after a well-deserved break.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

It has been a very fun and festive week in Year 4 this week! In English, we have been writing a narrative about Rang-tan and his journey after leaving the rainforest to arriving in the little girl's bedroom. In maths, we have been converting analogue and digital times. In geography, we recapped our knowledge of different biomes and illustrated what we would need in each biome. Following on from our hand puppet creations, we allowed our puppets to come to life by performing a show based on The Great Kapok Tree. Of course, the highlight of the week has to be the Christmas performances. I'm sure you will all agree that Year 4 have been absolutely phenomenal. It has been a wonderful half term and Year 4 have been superstars. Have a wonderful and well-deserved Christmas Year 4.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a busy and wonderful final week of term! I can't believe we are already a third of the way through the academic year. This week, the children have applied their learning in English to produce their own naughty elf inspired Christmas story; as well as finishing their desert island non-chronological report. In maths, we have covered converting and measuring using the metric system, have learned how to add and subtract decimals and recapped some misconceptions. In the wider curriculum, the children finished their science and geography units by creating a mind map to show what they have learned this half term. In DT they finished their wire sculptures and completed an evaluation of their work. However, my highlight of the week was our Christmas performances. I am immensely proud of the efforts all of the children put into learning their lines, words to the song and dance. Have a wonderful Christmas, New Year and enjoy a well-deserved break!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week, like everyone, we have had an incredibly busy week preparing for and performing in our Wootton Christmas production. The Year Six children have been absolutely incredible! Those performers with lead roles have shown confidence and resilience that will stand them in great stead as they enter secondary school next year. The class performers have blown me away with their ongoing enthusiasm, lovely voices, and showmanship - especially continuing their song when the music froze one night!

The week has also involved lots of finishing off of units of work: we wrote the conclusions to our electricity investigations; we researched the Maya writing and numeral system; and we completed our PSHE topic of 'valuing difference'. In French, the children were able to describe footballers and other celebrities and give opinions about them using 'parce que'. In English, we finished our adventure stories and I was delighted to see how well the children were able to weave description through their plot and dialogue, as well as varying the sentence structures they used. In maths, we revised the use of measuring equipment such as rulers and protractors so that the children could draw 2D shapes accurately.

A huge well done to Year Six for their hard work this term. We thank you very much indeed for the thoughtful Christmas cards, gifts and well wishes, and wish you all a very Merry Christmas.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Vegetable Korma 🍗 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	Chilli No Carne with Crispy Tortilla 🌶️ Served with Wholegrain Rice	Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese 🍷 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetarian Cottage Pie 🍷	Crispy Quorn Nuggets 🍷 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍷				
	All main meals are served with two vegetables				
DESSERT	Magic Apple and Cinnamon Bake 🍷	Strawberry Jelly	Orange Shortbread with Fruit Slice 🍷	Banana and Carrot Cake 🍷	Chocolate Ice Cream with Shortbread Biscuit

Star Pupils

Palmer Year 1
Armah Year 2
Shien Ng Year 3
Richards Year 4
Aderin-Pocock Year 5
Islam Year 6

Leanne
Amira
Frankie
Kenny
Layla
Elliott

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	94.1	96.0
Armah	96.0	96.0
Hussain-Gambles	94.1	97.0
Shien Ng	93.3	96.5
Richards	98.4	97.5
Aderin-Pocock	99.4	96.6
Islam	88.6	95.3
Whole School	95.0	96.4

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Aderin-Pocock

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	1	10
Armah	2	14
Hussain-Gamble	1	1
Shien Ng	2	19
Richards	2	12
Aderin-Pocock	1	3
Islam	2	19
Whole School	11	77
Total Minutes	170	1,288

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

SPORTS NEWS

A message from Mr Billington

Best Belief-

Without any PE lessons this week the focus has to be on our Christmas performances. Every year group has been amazing with their routines. We have some real stars who lead their class so well and this allows others to succeed. It's a daunting thing being up on that stage and the children should feel very proud of their achievements. A special mention to Year 6 who managed to continue their rap and dance even when the music cut out! Top effort.

U9 Boys vs Nettlestone (Away) –

On Wednesday our U9 (Yr3/4) Boys team travelled to Nettlestone to play their first game of the season. The team (and football club) have worked really hard on positioning and achieving quick transition from defence to attack. Quick passes and slick dribbling is something this team does very well. Unfortunately the pitch condition didn't allow for that type of play, but the team adapted brilliantly. They held their shape and found space out wide allowing them to get crosses, or shots from deep, into the box. They always looked threatening and able to score.

At half time it was 1-0 to Wootton thanks to a rifled penalty from Harry D. But really either team could have been leading. Just after halftime we made a slight tweak to some positions and pushed Cohen L into the midfield as a left winger. It really made a difference and his performance was incredible. A man of the match worthy second half! A goal, a near 'worldie' that clipped the crossbar and many fantastic dribbles down the left, beating several players, were fine rewards for a top performance. Harry D managed to earn himself another hat trick, he must hold the record for most for Wootton Primary by now? Sebby R also scored a good goal from the right of midfield.

We also had lots of first time players as well. Lucas and Ted from Year 3 played really well and didn't look overawed by the occasion, well done to you both. Charlie H and Calvin also played their first games and did incredibly well. Dylan J also got the opportunity to play as a striker, thanks to his earlier defensive efforts, something he has been asking for months!

The game finished 5-0 to Wootton. We have another fixture (TBC) in the New Year.

Thank you and well played to Lucas C and Ted from Year 3, and Cohen L, Harry D, Sebby R, Charlie H, Dylan J and Calvin R in Year 4.

Upcoming Competitive Fixtures-

Wednesday 3 rd January – U11 Boys vs Bembridge (Cup) (Away)

Friday 5 th January – U11 Boys vs Arreton (Home) - TBC



A message from Mrs Grimes

Free behaviour support resources for schools and families

Have you heard of [My Family Coach](#)? It's an incredible free platform for schools and families for help and support with all areas of behaviour, school and family life.

The platform includes **over 50 hours of free support content** from the experienced team here at Team Teach. There's **articles, podcasts, videos, ebooks and quarterly online parent classes** that you and the families you support can attend and watch on-demand as well.



The resources and support cover a huge variety of topics and we're always adding more:

- Relationships
- Communication
- Mental wellbeing
- Friendships
- Bullying
- Calming down
- School life
- Healthy living
- At risk behaviour
- Screen time

And for this time of year, families might find articles on [understanding behaviour](#), [managing changes to routines](#), [how to enjoy a family Christmas](#), [using family support for childcare in the holidays](#), [supporting your child through the holidays](#) or [why self care isn't selfish](#) helpful.

It's all available 24/7 and completely free!

ARE YOU READY?



**RYDE SAINTS
U8's (Year 3)
Football Training**



SATURDAY'S

11.00AM - 12.00PM

JOIN US TODAY!

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Ryde, PO33 3HU
Lee 07742344629 or Martin 07730609999



CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL

KS1 TOURNAMENT DAY

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER 8.45 - 3PM

KS2 TOURNAMENT DAY

SATURDAY 23RD DECEMBER 8.45-3PM

BARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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AGE 5-7 & FLIERS AGE 7-9
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**TUESDAYS
5.30pm-6.30pm**



Contact:

**Chris on 07969
504734 or
cmg1504@gmail.
com**

Contact: carey.mccormick@englandnetball.co.uk



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Come and see him this December as he visits the following locations...



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Sunday 3rd Shanklin
Monday 4th St. Helens & Nettlestone
Wednesday 6th Freshwater & Totland
Thursday 7th Binstead
Saturday 9th Gunville, Pan, Bluebell Meadows
Sunday 10th Sandown
Monday 11th Wootton
Tuesday 12th Ryde
Wednesday 13th Bembridge
Friday 15th Cowes
Sunday 17th East Cowes

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Sensory Friendly Christmas Workshop

Delivered by The Isle of Wight
Wellbeing Service

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information session, providing tips,
tricks, strategies and support in
preventing and managing sensory
overload during the festive period.

To join, or for more information please
email katrina.austin@hants.gov.uk.

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DECEMBER

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27th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st
6pm: 22nd, 23rd, 27th,
28th and 30th
Relaxed Show: signed using BSL
29th at 11am, tickets £12

JANUARY

2pm: 1st

TICKETS

2 - 4 year olds £12
Under 16s £20.50
Seniors/whichever/carer £20.50
Adult £22.50

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BOX OFFICE 01983 868000
shanklintheatre.com

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22nd December 12-2pm
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2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th,
16th & 17th
December
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20 TH DECEMBER

10AM - 12PM & 2PM - 4PM

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Thursday 21st

December

Arreton Community

Hall

11am-3pm

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GROTTO

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JANGLE FROM
SHELF

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MHST Newsletter

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Unfortunately, the MHST is not currently working in your school. Whilst this may be the case, we have put this newsletter together to keep you up-to-date with what we are doing and our future plans.

Who we are:

- Mental Health Support Teams (MHST) are based in schools all over England and its staff are trained to deliver a range of short-term interventions that improve mental health and wellbeing. These interventions are collectively called Cognitive Behavioural Therapies or CBT.
- CBT is an evidence-based treatment, effective in helping improve the wellbeing of people who are experiencing common mental health difficulties including low mood, worries and anxiety.
- Locally, the IW MHST is a collaboration between the IW Youth Trust, Barnardo's and the IW NHS Trust. The team is made up of Education Mental Health Practitioners (EMHPs), mental health practitioners and admin.



156 individual young people have been seen for an intervention since April 2023

Average waiting times are 2.6 weeks for an assessment and 7.2 weeks for treatment

We ran 5 successful transition groups during the summer with a 67% improved outcome rate

The most common reason for a referral into MHST is currently anxiety



mental
health
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TEAM

The Mental Health Support Team is a collaboration between the Isle of Wight NHS Trust, Barnardo's and the Isle of Wight Youth Trust

For more information regarding MHST, please email Clinical Team Lead,
Charlotte Young: Charlotte.young22@nhs.net

Barnardo's:

Barnardo's offers a range of parenting programmes to help support the families on the island. In addition, they have several family centres and 3 family hubs which help support families and prevent their difficulties worsening. The centres are available to support a family with a young person aged between 0-19 through online courses and workshops.

Believe in children
 **Barnardo's**



IW Youth Trust:

They provide 'youth-led wellbeing and therapeutic support to young people, empowering them to face life's challenges'. Their services include; group work, such as a Tics Group, parent workshops (e.g. supporting your young person with anxiety), as well as 1 to 1 counselling.

 **youth trust**



KissyPuppy:

KissyPuppy alongside Earl Mountbatten Hospice has created a bereavement service for those who are experiencing 'loss through death'. Young people and families can be referred to this service for further support.

 **KissyPuppy**
The Support First Fund

Contacts for other services:

Barnardo's - 01983 529208 / iowfamilycentres@barnardos.org.uk

IW Youth Trust - 01983 529569 / info@iowyouthtrust.co.uk /
<https://www.iowyouthtrust.co.uk/>

KissyPuppy - 01983 217346 / <https://www.mountbatten.org.uk/children-and-families-bereavement>

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NHS Trust



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WITH DISABILITIES AND/
OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS

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Discover how to use your new skills to support people in the community.

This course is free to attend and taught either online or face to face.

For more information and booking visit the [Isle of Wight Council website](https://www.isleofwight.gov.uk) or contact learning.development@iow.gov.uk