



Wootton Community Primary School

23rd February 2024

Dates for 2023-24
(subject to change)

Tues 27th Feb - Year
3 Educational visit to
Brading Roman villa

Thurs 7th March -
World Book Day (more
details to follow)

**Mon 25th & Weds
27th March** - Parents
Evenings (more details
to follow)

Weds 27th March -
Celebration Assembly

Thurs 28th March -
Development Day

**Fri 29th March - Fri
12th** - April Easter Break

Development Days
Thursday 28th March
2024
Friday 26th July 2024

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a lovely half-term and managed to get out and about despite the weather! The children have returned enthused to learn and start their new topics. These will be up on the website in the next week for you to see all that they will be learning this half-term. Please click to your child's class page to find this information.

Many congratulations to our Year 6 children who have shown incredible resilience and perseverance this week to complete their MOCK SATs. Thank you to all the staff who have supported this and to Mr Wilford for producing breakfast for the children each morning and Mrs Melvin for helping serve this.

No doubt many of you watched our interviews aired on South Today; if you haven't this has been posted on the school Facebook page. Piper in Year 5 attended the IW story Festival Charles Dickens' Awards ceremony last Friday and received a 'Highly Commended' prize for her story, a fantastic achievement Piper! Wootton Primary was referred to several times during the event—well done to all of Year 5 and the Year 5 team.

In assembly today we presented our new School Council with their badges and thanked our old team. Both groups are going to work together to fund raise for St Mary's children's ward. **Next Friday 1st March**, we are asking children to bring in a 50p coin (more than one if they want more guesses) to enter a - 'How many sweets in the jar' competition. Whoever guesses the winning amount will win the jar of sweets!

Our new School Councillors for the rest of the year are:

Year 1 Lily and Aiden

Year 2 Enya and Louis

Year 3 Sydney and Henry

Year 4 Gracie and Theo

Year 5 Evie and Matthew

Year 6 Phoenix R, Freddie and Killian.

Many congratulations to our top 5 homework achievers this week, each earning 5

Top 5	Maths Shed	Spelling Shed	TTRS	Numbots
1 st	Brooke (Y4)	Louis (Y5)	Seb (Y4)	Harry (Y4)
2 nd	Patryk (Y2)	Tyler (Y6)	Cohen (Y4)	Sharon (Y1)
3 rd	Alfie A (Y5)	Patryk (Y2)	Charlie (Y4)	Cory (Y1)
4 th	Violet (Y4)	Cohen (Y4)	Hayley (Y4)	Caleb (Y5)
5 th	Daisy (Y4)	Evie (Y6)	Ella (Y4)	Kurtis (Y5)
Top Class for the week	Year 4	Year 5	Year 4	Year 1

House Points each. Well done to:

Also in assembly we congratulated Adeline in Year 1 and Lexie in Year 2 who performed in a show at Medina theatre with their dance school. Both girls along with Jessica, also in Year 2, also shared their certificates from Little Rockets gymnastics. Caleb in Year 5 showed his incredible metalwork that he has completed, Lucy in Year 3 shared her swimming certificate, we showed Lucia in Year 2 piano certificate and heard from Jacob in Year 5 who went on an Arsenal legends tour of the Emirates stadium.

Our BIG Think question this week is, 'If you'd been given a different name, would you be a different person?' This resulted in many different conversations, some children wished they did have a different name - I wonder who you would prefer to be?

Next week the times for our next parents evenings will be available for you to book a slot to come and see your child's teacher on either Monday 25th or Wednesday 27th March.

Thank you to all the parents who supported Mrs Cowell's fund raising wellie walk this afternoon. The children are fund raising for some new outside wooden blocks

Talking of fund raising, thank you for all the support with the Tesco tokens over the last few months. We came second place so will receive some funding which we will use to develop our outside play area and enhance playtime. Do you have a baker at home? If your child loves to bake and is aged between 9 and 12 years old they can apply to be on the next series of Junior Baker Off! Please see the flyer attached or log on

to www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk for more information.

We are really looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. This year the theme is bringing 'fun' into reading. Children came to school dressed as their favourite book character or something that is fun! We are going to have a really fun day completing lots of fun reading activities. We would also like to have as many photos of children reading in a funny place! Please send these in by Monday 4th March so that we can share these in assembly. Please email them to office@woottonpri.iow.sch.uk

In the meantime, I hope you have a lovely weekend



Jane Wilford
Headteacher

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

We have all settled back into our class routines after the half term break and started to read our new text 'The 3 Little Pigs'. We have so far read two different versions and have made comparisons between the two. We all had the opportunity to talk about what we did during the holidays and then we wrote about it. The children have enjoyed making 'pig' puppets and have explored our tuff tray related to our text. We also had a workshop session led by Ed from Chartwells about how to use our knives and forks correctly. The children really enjoyed cutting up pieces of watermelon and eating it!

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have been enjoying delving into a variety of traditional stories including The Gingerbread Man and have made role-play masks, acted out the story, drawn story maps and re-told the tale in their own words. I have been very impressed with the growing independence of the children's writing, and have noticed a real shift for many in their handwriting and use of full stops and capital letters. Keep up the great work, Year 1!

In Maths we have been counting beyond 50 and finding one more and less using number lines and recording number sentences. In Science we continued to think about the properties of different materials and suitability of these for different purposes. We enjoyed starting our sketching unit in Art, and also talked about how people can be welcomed in PSHE and RE.

Well done everyone, on a great first week back :)

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 has had a great first week back. They all hit the ground running and have worked incredibly hard all week.

In English, we started looking at our new book The Night Gardener. We started just looking at the front cover making predictions based on what the images told us. We then moved onto reading a picture and seeing what we could infer from the first image in the book. The children came up with some great ideas. We are all looking forward to reading the story next week to find out if our predictions were correct.

We started the term looking at division in Maths. This was the end of the unit we completed before half term. The children did a brilliant job of applying their understanding of grouping and sharing and picked up the idea of division really quickly.

In Science, we began to look at plants. We thought about what plants need to grow and made plans as to what seeds we should plant where in the sensory garden. The children had to think about where the plants would get the most sunlight and water and match seeds to the different locations. They are all really excited to start planting and finish weeding out the sensory garden next week.

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In their English lessons this week the children have read through their new class text; 'Escape from Pompeii' by Christina Balit. They used the text to help them make inferences about Tranio. They have also looked at possessive apostrophes and used these to write their own sentences related to the class text. We also looked at a fictional diary entry and have used this to help them write a diary from Tranio's point of view with the use of possessive apostrophes.

In Maths, we have continued to look at multiplication and division. This week the children have been finding out more about how to divide a 2-digit number by a 1-digit number with remainders. They have continued to use resources to help them including numicon, part-part whole models, base 10, place value grids and times table grids.

In Science, they continued to look at plants and soils and went outside to look for evidence of different plants growing in different types of soils. The children observed that the trees and daffodils had evidence of decaying leaves returning to the soil but the grass was waterlogged and had a clay looking texture.

In Geography, the children learnt more about why people would want to live near a volcano and reasons why they wouldn't want to live near a volcano and discussed the positives and negatives and recorded their personal opinions in their books.

The class are already excited and looking forward to their trip to the Roman Villa next Tuesday, we are hoping for dry weather but we will still enjoy the day and stay dry in our waterproof coats even if it rains.

WHAT YEAR 4 AND 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week years 4 and 5 have been working together on a series of STEM (science, technology engineering and maths) projects whilst the year 6 mock SATs week has been taking place. We have been amazed at the teamwork and enthusiasm years 4 and 5 have shown during this week. During our first session, the groups were tasked with creating a new mode of transport. They applied their computing skills to create vector graphics and digital renders of their concept, as well as creating an advertising poster and detailed sketch of their plans. In our second session, the groups were asked to create a roller-coaster using paper and card. The results were incredible! It was amazing to see the children working with people they have not worked with before to create a visually and architecturally wonderful design. On Thursday, Miss Cooke challenged the children to design and create their own board games which was a big hit! The children had to work together collaboratively and assign each member of the group with a specific role such as creating the game board, compiling rules and instructions and creating the game counters. Finally, on Friday the children got the opportunity to work individually to create their own robotic hand using string and straws. This activity highlighted how important it is for all the different parts of our hands to work together for movement, and tested the children's precision and accuracy when creating the intricate details.



WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Year Six the children have been experiencing a Mock SATs! They have worked so incredibly hard and maintained a wonderfully positive attitude throughout and we are incredibly proud of them and their progress. In English, we have begun reading our new class text - Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief - and enjoyed looking at the graphic novel alongside the full text. In maths, the children have revised time objectives from Years 4 and 5 and then applied this to some Year 6 problems. We have done some research in history to learn more about daily life for people living in ancient Greece, as well as looking at ancient Greek vases in art. In science we began our classification topic by recapping some Year Five learning about life cycles and in French this half term the children have started learning some new French verbs so they can start to increase the amount of sentences they are able to create. Well done everyone, for rising to the challenges of the week and diving into your learning and your assessments with such a great attitude.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Roast Turkey Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Bolognese 🍝❤️ Served with Wholewheat Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	Stir Fried Vegetable Rice 🍚❤️	Vegetarian Burger 🍔 Served with Potato Wedges	Vegetable Pastry Roll 🥟 Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Vegetarian Bolognese 🍝❤️ Served with Wholewheat Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	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, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟	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	Chocolate Brownie	Crispy Crackle Bar with Fruit 🍌	Original Flapjack	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice 🍰	Vanilla Ice Cream

Star Pupils

Armah Year 1
Hussein—Gambles Year 2
Shien Ng Year 3
Richards Year 4
Aderin-Pocock Year 5
Islam Year 6

Lily
Megan
Owen
Isabel
Sonny
Chloe

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	93.2	93.9
Armah	91.7	95.2
Hussain-Gambles	96.1	96.6
Shien Ng	94.7	95.7
Richards	93.3	96.8
Aderin-Pocock	97.5	96.7
Islam	93.2	94.8
Whole School	94.3	95.7

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

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	1	25
Armah	1	26
Hussain-Gamble	2	8
Shien Ng	0	38
Richards	2	36
Aderin-Pocock	1	11
Islam	0	29
Whole School	7	172
Total Minutes	144	2,572

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

From Mr Billington

Respect!

Our new PE ethos this half-term is respect. I am always proud of how our competitive teams react at the end of fixtures. We set a very high example of what respectful sportsmanship should look like. It means that children who have represented the school are able to share first-hand experience of what respect looks like in sport.

Our mottos are: “to lose with grace and be humble in victory”.

Over the next few weeks I will be looking out for children embodying this motto in our PE lessons.

This week Sharon in Year 1 displayed her understanding of respect when we played some mini games that involved attacking and defending. If her team didn't score a point for a while she didn't give up and complain, but carried on with her efforts.

In Year 2 we had a very short PE session due to the mock SATS but I did see evidence of respect during our wellbeing lesson and the games we played. Megan was very gracious in defeat and still participated in the game despite being tagged early. A great example Megan, well done.

Sebby R in Year 4 has a lot of experience playing for teams and knows that winning and losing is a part of sport. He modelled this well during our basketball mini games. If his team won, there was little in the way of celebrating, and if they lost, he took the result well and continued to apply himself to the challenges.

In Year 5 we refreshed our knowledge of bowling in cricket and the skills necessary to be successful. In our final continuous cricket game Faye T was very humble in victory when she set the highest score batting. She looked rightly proud, but never over celebrated her victory. Thank you for your example Faye.

Mrs Fish has picked Phoenix M as her sports star this week. Despite it being a very tough choice, with the whole class performing well Phoenix demonstrated great skill with the 'building' element of the lesson, allowing her to stand out.

U11 Boys League vs Priory –

On the final day of last half-term our U11 Boys visited Priory to play their final game of the group stage. The pitch was an incredible mud bath and I think the team enjoyed that more than the result! It did make things tricky, but they overcame the conditions and performed well.

Being able to play some children in new positions and constantly changing positions during the game added an extra challenge, which the team coped with very well. In the end Wootton won 8-0 and always looked comfortable.

The result, and others in the group, meant that Wootton have ended up winning their group and progress to the quarter finals. Well done to Rocco S, Spencer GT, Elliott W, Koby H and Oscar B in Year 6; Jack B, Cooper H, Evan S and Max G in Year 5.

Upcoming Competitive Fixtures-

Wednesday 28 th February – U11 Boys vs St Marys (Home)

Thursday 29 th February – U9 Girls vs Bembridge (Home)

Wednesday 6 th March – U9 Boys vs Wroxall (Home)



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THE BIRTH HUB
Community & Connection

We invite you to our Bonding with Bump & Baby drop-in session, hosted by The Birth Hub at The Baby Café. Come along and connect with other families in this safe and friendly environment. You will have the opportunity to provide your views and experiences through a survey to help improve and shape early years services.

Join Us!


Refreshments Provided

When?
Monday 26th February 2024
10am-12pm

Where?
The Baby Café,
Salvation Army,
72 Pyle St, Newport
PO30 1UJ



Representatives from Maternity Voices Partnership and Dadzclub will be with us on this day to speak with.




Find out more

 rosie@aspireryde.org.uk
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 familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk
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Everyone is welcome to join

Sponsored By **SUPERHERO WALK**

Shanklin Hope beach
- Yaverland Green
2.5 miles
13th April
11am-3pm

Registration £5 per child, Adults Free

Min sponsorship £40 per child

Meet Heroes at Mile 1 & 2 along the route to get a progress sticker then medal presentation by Heroes at the finish. Every child receives a water bottle and medal.

To Book Please contact via FB or daisy@shankliniow.gov.uk
Reg No: 3156001




Free Entry

Sunday 25th Feb
10am-4pm
(Last admission 3pm)

Dinosaur Isle Museum Fun Day

Lots of exciting activities and exhibitions

Portsmouth City Museum
Face Painting
New finds from local fossil collectors
Isle of Wight Bus Museum with vintage bus
Dinosaur Roam competition
IOW Donkey Sanctuary
Isle of Wight Heritage service
Isle of Wight Metal Detecting Club
Art: Consulting
Deltic Webb with Sewie Stage
Forewell Forensics
Villages in Bloom
SW Railway Dinosaur Day
Refreshments & much more




Isle of Wight Wellbeing Service: Workshop List SPRING TERM

DATE	COURSE NAME	TIME	ONLINE/FACE to FACE
22/01/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am	Online
24/01/24	Boundaries and Expectations	11:00am	Online
24/01/24	Behind the Behaviour	6:30pm	Online
26/01/24	Boundaries and Expectations	6:00pm	Online
31/01/24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am	Online
05/02/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am	Online
06/02/24	Behind the Behaviour	9:30am	Online
07/02/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	6:00pm	Online
08/02/24	Boundaries and Expectations	11:00am	Face to Face
09/02/24	Boundaries and Expectations	9:30am	Online
14/02/24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am	Online
19/02/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am	Online
21/02/24	Behind the Behaviour	6:30pm	Online
23/02/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:00am	Face to Face
23/02/24	Boundaries and Expectations	6:00pm	Online
28/02/24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am	Online
04/03/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am	Online
05/03/24	Behind the Behaviour	9:30am	Online
06/03/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	6:00pm	Online
08/03/24	Boundaries and Expectations	10:00am	Face to Face
12/03/24	Boundaries & Expectations	9:30am	Online
13/03/24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am	Online
13/03/24	Behind the Behaviour	6:30pm	Online
15/03/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:00am	Face to Face
18/03/24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am	Online
20/03/24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am	Online
20/03/24	Boundaries and Expectations	6:00pm	Online

To reserve your place on any of the above courses, please email
mitch.burson@iow.gov.uk

FREE Training for Parents and Carers living on and/or visiting The Isle of Wight 'EYES-WIDE' Increasing your Awareness of Gangs, Youth Violence & Criminal Exploitation

When?
Monday 4th March 2024
Doors open 6:15pm.
6:30 pm - 8pm
Please arrive promptly for start of session



Where?
Bay CE Secondary School site, The Fairway, Sandown, PO36 9JH

Please enter via main entrance.
Free parking on site

This training will increase your awareness of street crime, including signs and symptoms of gang involvement and youth violence.

Do you want to find out more about County Lines, Child Criminal Exploitation and knife crime?
Then come along to this informative, proactive session.

There will be an opportunity for parents/carers to ask questions at the end of the main information session.

Plea for Reception/Year 1 children
Are you getting rid of any toys? We would be really grateful for any donations of the following types of toys:

- wind up toys
- flashing light toys
- remote control toys
- toys with funny sounds
- toys with moving parts

These will be used for our attention sessions to help children