



Wootton Community Primary School

22nd March 2024

Dates for 2023-24
(subject to change)

Mon 25th March– Easter service

Mon 25th & Weds 27th March - Parents Evenings

Weds 27th March - Celebration Assembly

Thurs 28th March - Development Day

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

Mon 15th April - First day of summer term

Tues 23rd April – Year 3 Carisbrooke Castle Educational Visit

Tues 30th April– Year 4 IVW Steam Railway Educational visit

Mon 13th—Thur 16th May - Yr 6 SATS Week

Tues 21st May - Fri 24th May—Yr 6 Runways End Visit

Tues 11th June – Year 5 British Museum Education visit

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

Dear Parents,

Where has this half-term gone? We have been so busy with many different events and celebrations, I cannot believe we have just 3 days left with the children this term and that we will then be into our last term of this school year! Please remember that Celebration assembly will be on Wednesday next week and that children will need a coat in school on Monday as we are walking to the church, thank you.

We are really looking forward to seeing you all at one of the Parents' evenings next week. Please come through the front entrance and wait in the library area where you will have a chance to rummage through the lost property piles!

We had a super busy assembly today listening to the many different activities and achievements from the various out of school clubs children attend. Amira and Lexie in Year 2, with Frankie in Year 3 and Hayley in Year 4, shared their swimming successes. Amira also shared her purple award from gymnastics. Emily-rose in Year 4 shared her Brownie awards and badges and Ralph, Owen and Zach from Year 3 spoke about their rugby tournament and various games they played. We concluded our celebrations watching a clip of Lexi in Year 6 performing in a trampoline competition. Lexi is now the top fifth girl in the country for her age group and we are so very proud of her. Good luck Lexi with your next competition. A very big well done to everyone this morning who shared their news, keep up the great work!

Many congratulations to our top 5 homework achievers this week, each earning 5 House Points each. Well done to:

Top 5	Maths Shed	Spelling Shed	TTRS	Numbots
1 st	Violet (Y4)	Daisy (Y4)	Hayley (Y4)	Phoenix E (Y1)
2 nd	Koby (Y6)	Oscar B (Y6)	Seb (Y4)	Sharon (Y1)
3 rd	Daisy (Y4)	Lucia (Y2)	Dylan (Y4)	Ahbab (Y2)
4 th	Harry B (Y3)	Elliott (Y6)	Cohen (Y4)	Kurtis (Y5)
5 th	Brooke (Y4)	Koby (Y6)	Levi (Y4)	Deanna (Y2)
Top Class for the week	Year 4	Year 6	Year 4	Year 2

Our BIG Think question this week is, 'Should wealthy people leave their money to their family or give it to charity?'

Thank you for all the entries sent in so far for a chance to win an Easter Egg kindly donated by our local Premier. Please ensure these have been sent in by **TUESDAY** at the very last - please ensure that hats and/or eggs are named.

Good luck to Jay in Year 5 who is playing his trombone in a concert this evening with Medina Marching Band, details of this event are attached.

We are so proud of the children this week for trying their hardest with the various assessments they have been required to complete. Whilst we acknowledge that assessment week can bring some feelings of anxiety for a few children, the vast majority seem to enjoy the challenge. The results are then used, along with daily class work and marking evidence, to make a judgement as to the level the children are working at. Following an analysis of these outcomes, teachers then plan subsequent learning accordingly to plug gaps and extend learning. Thank you to all the staff and children for the extra hard work!

In the meantime, I hope you have a great weekend!

Jane Wilford
Headteacher

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have been very busy making salt dough egg decorations. We used an egg shaped cutter to make our egg shape and then drew some patterns on them using a clay tool. They had to be baked in the oven for about 2 hours and after that we painted them ready to take home next week to hang in our homes. We have been learning about Easter and celebrations and have thought about the different celebrations we all attend and how we celebrate them. The children have been really busy practicing our Easter song and learning the words ahead of the Easter service on Monday. Outside the children have been developing some new games which have involved large groups of them playing collaboratively together and taking turns. Well done to everyone.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have been beaver away writing their own version of the The True Story of the Three Little Pigs this week. They have worked incredibly hard to remember their finger spaces, full stops, capital letters and even added extra detail to try to capture the "voice" of the wolf. We then spent some time making these into real books which will come home next week. Well done, everyone!

In Maths we continued thinking about money: making different amounts using coins, ordering values and doing some shopping. We have also had our first go at completing some special assessment booklets for reading and maths and actually really enjoyed the experience! I was so impressed with how hard everyone worked. Additionally, each child has completed a 1:1 phonics screening check with Miss Paterson, which again, have blown us away! Keep up the fantastic work :)

In Science this week we were thinking about how different properties of materials make them suitable for different jobs and in Geography we drew maps of our walking route from last week and sorted some photos of human and physical features of Wootton. Finally, in Art everyone worked super hard to make a clay model of a house for one of the 3 pigs, or the wolf, with some truly imaginative and impressive creations. Fantastic work - and only one week to go!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 2 have worked their little socks off this week, completing their assessment booklets as well as continuing with all our learning journeys. We have been blown away by the mature attitude they all took to their booklet work. They tried their very hardest and made us incredibly proud!

On Wednesday afternoon, we did an art/DT lesson. The children had previously drawn flowers in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe and this week used different textiles to create their design. We looked at joining textiles using glue and next week will be experimenting with joining textile through basic sewing. The final products this week were outstanding! Myself and Mrs Dew couldn't believe the thought and care that went into producing such wonderful flower creations.

In RE, we have been thinking a lot about Easter and how and why it is celebrated by Christians. We focused on the concepts of love, happiness and sadness and how these themes can be seen throughout the Easter story. The class worked in groups to produce acrostic poems that they will be performing in church on Monday.

The class also filled up their pasta jar! They have worked tirelessly on this since Christmas and on Thursday, finally managed to get the last piece in. Next week we will be having an art afternoon as their reward.

A great week Year 2! Well done!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week the children have all been busy completing their assessments and they have demonstrated great attitudes, resilience, and independence. We are so proud of all of your efforts, and know that you have all worked hard to achieve your personal best.

In PSHE the children have been learning more about keeping well and have worked in teams to create their own healthy adverts/jingles.

In History the children went on to look in more detail at sources. They learnt that there are primary and secondary sources and discussed the primary sources they noticed when they were visiting Brading Roman Villa.

It has been yet another busy week for all involved, keep up the good work Year 3!

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP

This week, Year 4 have been superstars! We have been continuing our classification skills in Science, exploring the outdoors and collecting different leaves to sort into a classification key. In Maths, we have been multiplying and dividing by 12, recognising the link between the 6 and 12 times table. In English, we have been writing an explanation text based on how the water cycle works. This has been a great opportunity for Year 4 to retrieve skills they have previously learnt, such as technical language, paragraphs and subheadings. In RE, we explored how freedom is expressed through Judaism and Passover. In Art, we created our contrasting piece of artwork based on Monet's water-inspired pieces using different materials. In Music, we have been busy practicing and refining our Easter song ready to perform at the church on Monday. Finally, Year 4 have worked very hard this week for assessment week. All the children have been focused and engaged, and they should be very proud of the progress they have made since Autumn! Thanks Year 4!

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a busy week! This week I am going to begin with my highlight - assessments. I am so proud of the efforts that each and every pupil in Year 5 has put into completing these. Not only are the results greatly improved, but I have been blown away by the maturity, effort and determination that the children have put into achieving their best. I am looking forward to sharing the information with you at parents evening next week. In the wider curriculum, we have learned how to use the and/or functions to refine searches on databases, have learned our song for the Easter service and have completed our history module by reviewing the similarities and differences between different eras of British history. Well done Year 5, I hope you have a wonderful, and well deserved, weekend!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Year Six English lessons we have started planning a 'Guide to Camp Half-Blood'. Using organisational devices and grammar that help us to explain clearly, we will write a non-chronological report about Percy Jackson's new home among the demigods. In maths, we have wrapped up a few areas related to multiplication and division such as factors, multiples and primes numbers, as well as doing some revision. In French, we learned that some French verbs follow regular patterns and some are irregular - just like in English! In history, we learned about ancient Greek democracy and held a class vote. We rounded off our science topic on classification by attempting to classify the platypus - a very confusing animal!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Turkey Con Chili 🍲 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Roast Turkey Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage Pasta Bake 🍝 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	Sweet Potato Curry 🍲 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Macaroni Cheese 🍝	Cheesy Leek and Carrot Crumble 🥧 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage Pasta Bake 🍝 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Crispy Quorn Nuggets 🍗 Served with Chips
	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	Apple Crumble with Custard 🍎	Crunchy Chocolate Biscuit	Chocolate and Vanilla Marble Cake	Carrot Cake 🥕	Strawberry Ice Cream

Star Pupils

Armah Year 1	Alice
Hussein-Gambles Year 2	Harry
Shien Ng Year 3	Alfie
Richards Year 4	Caleb
Aderin-Pocock Year 5	Evie
Islam Year 6	Oscar B

Star Pupil parents may join **Wednesday'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	91.7	93.0
Armah	93.3	94.5
Hussain-Gambles	90.7	96.2
Shien Ng	92.7	95.4
Richards	93.5	96.0
Aderin-Pocock	95.0	96.4
Islam	92.1	94.3
Whole School	92.8	95.1

***The class with the best attendance this week is:
Year 5 Aderin-Pocock***

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	1	29
Armah	3	33
Hussain-Gamble	1	10
Shien Ng	3	45
Richards	0	38
Aderin-Pocock	2	14
Islam	1	32
Whole School	11	201
Total Minutes	179	3109

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!

This last week has seen the children bringing together all the skills learnt over the past 4 weeks and applying them to games and competitive matches. Our house competitions also gave the opportunity for the children to show their understanding of 'respect'. We already have a very high standard of respect at Wootton and it's something the children take great pride in. But even so I have seen improvement in all year groups and a really healthy attitude to loss. This can be very difficult at times and it's great to see the children consoling each other and supporting one another.

In Year 1 **Enid M** was fantastic at organising and supporting her team. She always made sure the right person was ready and if her team didn't win she often had something positive to say. This kept her team in good spirits and made a big difference to their results. Great effort Enid.

Everlyn C in Year 2 had a super week in PE! She put so much effort in that by the end of the lesson she said she needed a lie down! Even though she found the games tough at the start she never gave up and by the end was a great role model for the others on her team. Super attitude Everlyn!

In Year 4 we finally managed to get out and use the playground for our basketball matches. This meant the class had to quickly learn the basic rules for the games and apply the skills learnt over the past 4 weeks. **Travis W** excelled this week and thrived in the matches. But I have picked Travis this week for the support he gave his teammates when he was a substitute. He was always talking about the game tactics and offering encouragement. Well done Travis, great example.

Evan S in Year 5 is often calm and controlled during PE and this is so often overlooked as a good attribute. During the cricket games this week Evan was the cool character that slowly and patiently scored runs for his team. Despite being one of his team's highest scorers he never once celebrated and made sure that he was focussed on the rest of the game. A perfect example of the humility required to show respect in sport, well done Evan.

In Year 6 Mrs Fish had glowing praise for **Oscar B**. Supporting a teammate who is struggling is one the best ways to show respect during a game. Oscar was quick to empathise with the goalkeeper in one of the handball matches, showing consideration and respect in equal measure. Mrs Fish has often said this half term that the Year 6 class have made it very difficult to select just one person displaying great respect. Thank you for setting such a great example for the rest of the school.

Upcoming Competitive Fixtures-

Tuesday 26 th March – U9 Boys Football vs Lanesend – friendly (Away)

Tuesday 26 th March – U11 Boys Football vs Lanesend – friendly (Away)

(TBC) – U11 Girls Football vs Priory – friendly

Wednesday 24 th April, 1.30-3.30pm – U11 Tag Rugby Finals @ Wootton Rec



**Under 11s
Cricket fun day**
Tuesday 9th April

- 10am - 3pm
- Ventnor Cricket Club
- Open to boys and girls Yrs 3-6
- ECB qualified coaches
- Please bring a packed lunch
- All equipment provided
- £10 per person
- Contact: 07917306984 to book



NEW U9 GIRLS SESSION

MONDAY 22ND APRIL
WATERY LANE
530 - 630



**£2 PER
WEEK**



MEDINA MARCHING BAND IW PRESENTS

Spring Concert

IN MEMORY OF
KEVIN HAYWARD
MMB CHAIRMAN 1996 - 2023



22ND MARCH | **£10** PER TICKET* | 7:30 PM

CHRIST THE KING COLLEGE NEWPORT PO30 5QT

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FREE PARKING & REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE DURING THE INTERVAL WITH A RAFFLE TO SUPPORT MMB IN THE 2024 SEASON

*TICKETS PURCHASED ONLINE ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY AND AN ONLINE BOOKING FEE

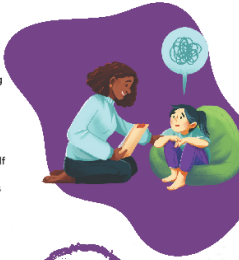
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MHST Newsletter

lownt.mhstehs.net ~ 0300 365 4010

MHST Update:

- We are aware that there are many schools who would like us to engage with them and we thank you for your ongoing understanding and patience. We continue to consider how we can gradually roll out aspects of the MHST offer to more schools. When we have capacity, we shall make an initial approach to your school's designated mental health lead and try to speak to them on the phone. If this is not possible we shall try to reach them by email. If you have any questions about this please contact lownt.mhstehs.net and your query will be passed on to Charlotte Young (Team Lead) or Mel Smith (Clinical Lead) to respond in due course.
- Each year, we hold transition workshops and groups for year 6 students moving up to year 7 to help with any generic worries they may hold around the process. This year, we will extend the offer to welcome referrals from all primary schools so as to make offer accessible to all identified Year 6 to Year 7 pupils who would benefit from additional intervention. At this time, we invite you to please start thinking about any students you think would benefit from this. More information regarding this process will be communicated at a later date.



455 individuals were seen through Whole School College Approach in January

We had 78% attendance rate for treatment in January

132 total session attendances in January

97 individuals were open to MHST throughout January

mental health support 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.

Easter Activities

29 March to 14 April

Easter Trail

Donkey Grooming

Pamper a Donkey

Pamper a Shetland

Meet the Donkeys Free Guided Tours

www.iowdonkeysanctuary.org/whats-on




Book online now!

EASTER half term Inflate-a-Days!

Race-track Obstacle Course

Ride-On's Ball Pool 6 Slides

10th & 11th April @ Rew Valley Sports Centre

4 x 90 minute sessions per day

disco sessions available

Easter Egg Hunt - Meet Bouncer the Bunny - loads of fun inflatables

Entry for all ages! Adults & kids parking FREE

IW Fostering

Island children need local homes

Fit to Foster?

Many people think that they are either too young or too old to foster. 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.

If you don't think you are suitable to foster, think again! Foster carers come from a variety of different backgrounds. There are children in care who may need you. Explore fostering with the IW Council.

Apply online at iwight.com/fostering 01983 823160

SCAN ME! →

Easter Scurry Egg Hunt

NATUREZONES Blackwater

Sunday 31st March
Tuesday 2nd,
Thursday 4th,

Adult £8, Concession £6 Child £4 under 4's free

PLEASE BOOK

WWW.NATUREZONES.ORG.UK

Join the Kidical Mass Bike Ride

Seaclose Park, Newport, PO30 2EL

Saturday 16 March 2024

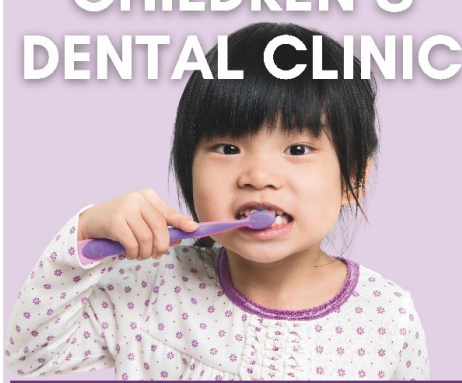
10am for 10.30am

Get on your bike and campaign for safer streets

Wear bright colours, be loud and show the world how our streets can be for everyone - especially children and other vulnerable users.

Organised by CycleWight, the Isle of Wight's cycle advocacy group. Find out more at cyclewight.org.uk

Easter Weekend CHILDREN'S DENTAL CLINIC



5 and Under NHS Appointments

Speak to our friendly reception or book your space online

DAMIRA DENTAL CLINIC



Book now for free Easter activity spaces for eligible children and young people

Children and young people will once again be able to enjoy a varied programme of free activities during the upcoming Easter holidays.

Organisations across the Island are coming together to offer activities for five to 16-year-olds as part of the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme, which also guarantees a nutritious meal. Free places are available for children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals and on a paid-for basis as well. [Some places are also available for other vulnerable families.](#)

But with limited spaces for many of the activities, families should book soon to avoid disappointment.

The Easter programme has a fantastic range of activities on offer including horse riding, tennis and football coaching, multi-sport games, animal care, theatre skills and arts and crafts. Full details including booking information can be found on the [Isle of Wight Family Information Hub webpage.](#)

Councillor Jonathan Bacon, Cabinet member for children's services, said: "We want to enable children and young people to try new things and make new friends and we know it is a welcome support for many families during the school holidays.

"We know that families are facing — and will continue to face — increasing pressure and the dedication of organisations to supporting families in this way means such a lot to so many." For more information about eligibility, [please see the council's newly updated holiday activities webpages.](#) The Easter HAF scheme is funded by the Department for Education.

SchoolMoney Payments

As we are approaching the end of the financial year, we ask that all payments are cleared and kept up to date at all times, if you are experiencing difficulties in paying, please contact the school office.



Isle of Wight Wellbeing Service: Workshop List

SUMMER TERM: April / May

DATE	COURSE NAME	TIME
15.04.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	11:30am
16.04.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	9:30am
16.04.24	Boundaries and Expectations	11:30am
17.04.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	9:30am
17.04.24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am
17.04.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	6:00pm
19.04.24	Boundaries and Expectations	4:30pm
19.04.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	6:00pm
22.04.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am
23.04.24	Boundaries and Expectations	9:30am
23.04.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	11:30am
24.04.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	6:00pm
30.04.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	9:30am
01.05.24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am
01.05.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	6:00pm
06.05.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	11:30am
07.05.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	9:30am
08.05.24	Boundaries and Expectations	9:30am
08.05.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	6:00pm
13.05.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	11:30am
14.05.24	Child to Parent Violence and Aggression	9:30am
14.05.24	Navigating Neurodivergence	11:30am
15.05.24	Supporting the anxious child	9:30am
15.05.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	6:00pm
20.05.24	Boundaries and Expectations	11:00am
21.05.24	Boundaries and Expectations	9:30am
22.05.24	What's Behind the Behaviour	9:30am
22.05.24	Boundaries and Expectations	6:00pm

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