Wootton Community Primary School

3rd May 2024

Dear Parents,
We are so pleased to be able to share that **Mrs Wilford and her daughter are both in recovery after successful surgery** this week. I am sure you will join us in wishing them both all the very best—I know Mrs Wilford will be missing all the children very much and we are planning to make a whole school card to send next week.
Another busy week in school with lots of fantastic learning taking place: **Year 4** had a brilliant experience on their Evacuee day at Havenstreet, sporting 1940s outfits and really getting into the spirit of the era through different role play activities; **Reception class** has really impressed Mrs Cowell with their work on odd and even numbers; and **Year 5** got out in the boats for the first time at their Sailing session this week!
We have also been lucky enough to receive some communication from our **Year 3 class scientist—Professor Jo Shien Ng**. She was very happy to find that our class have been exploring her work this year and has shared some fantastic videos and resources with us about her recent work at the University of Sheffield around semi-conductor technology. We were able to find out how this technology is used to help power the internet, and that the development of this technology has enabled the rapid progress of AI in recent years. Wow!
We have had a case of **threadworm** in school recently—please remind your child of the importance of washing their hands regularly and thoroughly. For more information please see the following link: NHS conditions - threadworm
A reminder that on **Wednesday 5th June** our school photographer will be in to take the **class photographs** so please ensure your child is wearing correct uniform. Year 5 will need to wear their uniform to school and bring their PE kit to change into please.
In assembly today we congratulated our **Star pupils,** and celebrated children's **achievements outside of school**. Well done to: Ellie-Mai in Y6 who competed in her first horse riding jump show; Charlie in Y4 who won several first place rosettes, a champion sash and supreme champion runner up award in his recent horse show; Harry in Y4 for his football tournament trophy; Kenny in Y4 for his recent stadium tour; Sophie in Y3 for War Hammer battle honours; Jessica in Y2 for her gymnastics level 1 certificate; Florence in Y2 for her Rainbows and Brownies awards; Charlie in YR for his rugby medal; and lots of swimmers with a range of awards from water safety to distance—Lyla and Ellie in Y2, Travis in Y4, and Tyler in Y6.
We also had many children who were presented with a range of **reading achievement certificates,** including two more gold awards—keep up the great work everyone!
We also congratulated our top five **homework achievers** who are:

Top 5	Maths Shed	Spelling Shed	TTRS	Numbots
1st	Alfie A (Y5)	Sienna (Y5)	Charlie (Y4)	Logan (Y2)
2nd	Patryk (Y2)	Eneah (Y5)	Dylan (Y4)	Freddie (Y6)
3rd	Daisy (Y4)	Lucy (Y3)	Seb (Y4)	Ahbab (Y2)
4th	Koby (Y6)	Louis (Y5)	Kurtis (Y5)	Phoenix E (Y1)
5th	Adiella (Y2)	Oscar B (Y6)	Matthew (Y4)	Harley (Y5)
Top Class for the week	Year 5	Year 5	Year 4	Year 2

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,
Miss Paterson

Dates for 2023-24 (subject to change)

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

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

Wed 5th June— Class photos

Tues 11th June – Year 5 British Museum
Education visit

Fri 21st June—
Sponsored walk

Tues 9th July— Transition day Year 6 to Secondary schools, classes move up
9-9.30am Parent 'meet the teacher'

Fri 12th July— End of year reports home & family disco (time tbc)

Tues 16th July— Reception & KS1 sports afternoon @ 1pm

Wed 17th July— KS2 sports afternoon @ 1pm
3-4.45pm Open evening - informal meeting with current teacher or new teacher
Wed 24th July— Last Celebration Assembly of the year
5.30-7pm Year 6 Leavers party (more details to follow)
Thurs 25th July— 11am Year 6 Leavers presentation (Year 6 families only)
Family picnic at noon, optional finish time at 1.30pm
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Years 1 to 6 first day back (new classes)
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Development Days
Friday 26th July 2024

A reminder about the age limits for online apps. It is so important to support all our children to keep safe online and follow guidance around appropriate use of social media.

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WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week in Reception class we have continued to pick up the work we started last week with the children on a 1:1 basis. We have embedded the concept of odd and even numbers even more and during carpet times we have explored the numbers and have looked at our explanations as to whether a number is odd or even. The children writing their pirate lists have had to think hard about what they want to take with them on an adventure and have used the sound mats if they wanted to. On the writing table we have been creating our own pirates (using photocopied clothes) and the children have designed their own and have attempted to describe and label the clothing. We have also been busy making bird nests and drawing birds to sit on our nests. This came about by watching the blue tits nesting in our bird boxes!

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have been researching this week, finding out all about Meerkats. They have learned lots of new facts and presented them in headed sections within their own fact file. In Maths the class have been exploring numbers beyond 50, representing these using practical resources and Numicon, and finding one more and one less up to 100. Great work, everyone!
Our wider curriculum subjects have matched up perfectly this week, considering what it is like in the Sahara desert during Geography, exploring different animal groups which may live in the desert during Science, and experimenting with using different shades of "hot" colours to create a desert scene with water colour paints in art. We rounded off the week with a great PE session outside, and continued our work in RE around generosity, considering people in our community who help to support others.
Keep up the amazing reading at home too - there are a few more gold awards for 200 reads coming up!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week, we have been coming up with alternative endings to fairy tales. The class really enjoyed this challenge and came up with some pretty gruesome and also very funny endings to The Three Little Pigs. The quality and presentation of writing has been superb this week. Well done everyone for putting in your best effort!
In Maths, we have been looking at multiplication and division. The children are now really secure with recalling the facts for the 10 times tables and were really effective in using them to solve a range of problems.
During History, the class thought about how we know so much about The Great Fire of London. We discussed how we find out information now and how many of our sources of information weren't available all those years ago. So how do we know about this great event? Can we fully trust the historical sources of information we have from back then? This was a very thought provoking lesson, with lots of varying opinions.
We also had a super Art lesson this week. On Tuesday, we used pastels to create images in a similar way to Monet. We then looked and how we can effectively blend pastels together to create a varied tone and change the mood of our art work.
Another great week, made even better by the rare appearance of the sun!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 3 have been focusing on Money in Maths and have been showing their understanding of coins and notes when counting, adding and subtracting money. They have used their own working out and drawings of money to help them solve word-problems that involve adding and subtracting money and know how important it is to check their change when purchasing items.

In English, we have continued to read more of our class text, 'I was there - Boudica's Army' by Hilary McKay. This week, the children have worked on using conjunctions, adverbs and prepositions in their sentences and diaries when writing from Kassy and another character's point of view. Old Flax has certainly made us giggle this week and has made an appearance in almost all of their diary writes.

In French, we have been listening to and repeating important commands such as listen and look and the children have enjoyed asking others to do what they have asked of them.

In Geography, we have been learning more about Newchurch and have used Google Maps to locate and find out more about the village. The class have also added photographs from Newchurch to their Google Slides and started to email their Google slides through to the year 3 email address in their ICT lessons.

Well done for yet another busy and focused week of learning year 3, keep up the good work as always.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP TPO

So many wonderful things have happened this week in Year 4, it's hard to know where to begin! In Maths, we have begun our Geometry unit. We started the week calculating the area of rectilinear shapes, and moved onto comparing and ordering angles by the end of the week. In English, we have been very productive with our writing! We have managed to complete a narrative and a recount of our trip. In addition, we have explored diary entry examples in preparation of creating our own next week. This will be written from the perspective of David in our story who is writing to his mother to let her know what his new life is like in the countryside. We had another fun-filled Wednesday with the brass instruments, and in DT, we researched the Dig for Victory campaign and created our own colourful posters that could have been used to encourage people to grow their own vegetables.

Lastly (but by no means least!), we had the most amazing time at The Steam Railway. Year 4 looked spectacular in their costumes and we couldn't have asked for better weather!

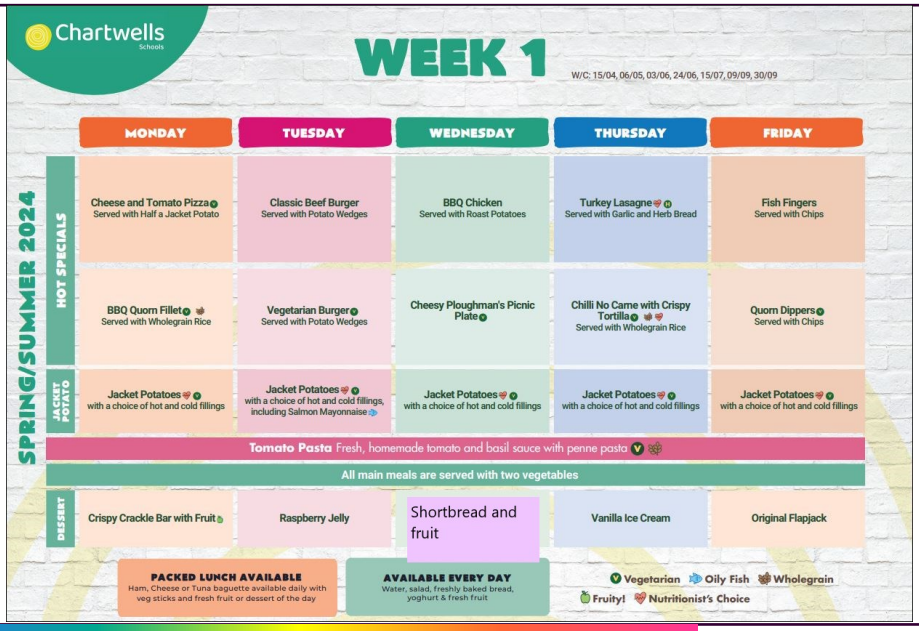
WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Another busy week in Year 5. In English this week, we have learned how to write formal letters and have applied our knowledge of the class novel, Holes, to write a formal letter of complaint to the camp warden. In Maths, we recapped time - both 12 and 24 hour- and used that knowledge to solve sum, comparison and difference questions based on timetables. We also recapped line graphs and tables. In computing, we continued our study of physical computing by coding a microcontroller. In science, we learned the features and typical life cycle of a reptile and in PE the children enjoyed another wonderful sailing experience at Seaview yacht club. However, my highlight of the week was geography. On Thursday afternoon, we welcomed Ian Menzies who shared his experience of being a business owner in the food and drink industry. The children relished the opportunity to learn how a local island business generates money and contributes to the Island economy. Well done for the hard work this week Year 5, keep it up!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

We are enjoying the story of 'Broken: Rock, Paper, Scissors', an animated short, using the animation to inspire some diary writing and work on emotions vocabulary. In maths, we have been focusing on FDP (fractions, decimals and percentage) and solving problems that involve understanding the relationship between those three. In science, we have begun to learn about evolution and connect this to our previous learning about adaptation, variation and inheritance. We looked at the different climate regions of California this week, with children using technology to collaborate remotely on a slideshow explaining the geographic features of their chosen region. In art, we made flip book animations and in music we analysed a new song and discussed what appealed to us and what we found less enjoyable! The Year Six children continue to work extremely hard revising and refreshing their knowledge ready for the upcoming SATs and we are excited to see what they can do! Please don't forget that Monday is a bank holiday so there will be no SATs booster club and this has now finished for the year.

In PSHE we continue to return to the subject of staying safe online. Children still need reminding that they must not share personal information online (this includes their name!), that they should not talk to strangers, that strangers online can lie about their age/gender/intentions, and that most of the social media apps and games such as Fortnite/ Roblox carry risk for children and are actually recommended for older children. We teach the children that it is normal for parents to check their social media/device use at this age and that their trusted adults are more interested in keeping them safe than anything else. Thank you for continuing to work with us to keep our young people safe online :)



Chartwells Schools

WEEK 1

W/C: 15/04, 06/05, 03/06, 24/06, 15/07, 09/09, 30/09

SPRING/SUMMER 2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Half a Jacket Potato	Classic Beef Burger Served with Potato Wedges	BBQ Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes	Turkey Lasagne Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
HOT SPECIALS	BBQ Quorn Fillet Served with Wholegrain Rice	Vegetarian Burger Served with Potato Wedges	Cheesy Ploughman's Picnic Plate	Chilli No Carne with Crispy Tortilla Served with Wholegrain Rice	Quorn Dippers 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	Crispy Crackle Bar with Fruit	Raspberry Jelly	Shortbread and fruit	Vanilla Ice Cream	Original Flapjack

PACKED LUNCH AVAILABLE
Ham, Cheese or Tuna baguette available daily with veg sticks and fresh fruit or dessert of the day

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY
Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

Vegetarian · Oily Fish · Wholegrain · Fruity! · Nutritionist's Choice

Star Pupils

Palmer Reception	Noah and Luca-Ray
Armah Year 1	Lexi
Hussein-Gambles Year 2	Ellie
Shien Ng Year 3	Zach
Richards Year 4	Florence
Aderin-Pocock Year 5	Lillah
Islam Year 6	Koby

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	92.0	93.7
Armah	89.3	94.2
Hussain-Gambles	96.8	96.3
Shien Ng	98.7	95.4
Richards	99.0	95.9
Aderin-Pocock	97.8	96.6
Islam	97.5	94.7
Whole School	**95.9**	**95.2**

The class with the best attendance this week is: Year 4 Richards

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	1	34
Armah	0	38
Hussain-Gamble	1	13
Shien Ng	1	48
Richards	3	46
Aderin-Pocock	1	18
Islam	1	36
Whole School	**8**	**233**
Total Minutes	**150**	**3487**

Our school target is 96.5%. We are currently BELOW target and aim for our children to be in school 100% of the time!

The Isle of Wight Youth Trust are offering free sessions to complement the knowledge you may already have about Autism and will deliver content largely developed by neurodivergent individuals. The first session starts on 24th May. Please book sessions via eventbrite using https://bit.ly/4a0hpnJ or see links shared to the PTA page on facebook using the link below. Many thanks Heather Grimes

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