



Wootton Community Primary School

7th June 2024

Dates for 2023-24 (subject to change)

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the last half of the Summer term! We have lots planned so do keep an eye out for dates over the next 8 weeks.

All being well, **Mrs Wilford** is hoping to be back in school during next week. Thank you so much for your well wishes and patience whilst adaptations have been made in school during her absence. We look forward to welcoming her back!

We have launched a **consultation regarding the timings of the school day for September**, which closes at noon on Thursday 13th June. This is part of the new DfE requirement for a 32.5 hour school week for all pupils. There are currently two proposals: start time 8:20am, finish time 3:00pm; start time 8:30am, finish time 3:10pm. Please fill out the form which will be sent to your email address to let us know your preferences. We will confirm outcome in next week's newsletter and let you know when these changes will be coming into effect.

Please also find attached a sponsorship form for the **Sponsored Treasure Hunt Walk** which will take place on Friday 21st June. Your child has also brought home a paper copy. The whole school will be taking part in this challenge to help raise funds for our PTA and we have some prizes ready for the pupils and classes who raise the most overall—good luck! We would like some **volunteers** to come and support us on the walk which will last around an hour—please let the office know if you are able to help as soon as possible.

Clubs: if your child has been allocated a space a text has been sent and payment set up on SchoolMoney for those clubs which have a cost. Clubs start next week on **Monday 10th June** and run until Friday 12th July (5 weeks). We always try to allocate everybody at least one requested space but on occasion this can be tricky depending on numbers; thank you for your support.

Year 4 have their **Multiplication check** and **Year 1** have their **Phonics Screening check** next week. This is nothing to worry about and will take place as part of normal classroom practice. The children are looking forward to showing off their fantastic progress!

We have welcomed some of our **new entrants for September** for Stay and Play sessions this week, and will continue to invite them into school to support their transition ready for September.

Our **in school transition day** for all pupils will be on Tuesday 9th July—as soon as staffing plans are finalised we will let you know who your child's class teacher and support staff will be for next academic year.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 had a wonderful time watching a professional theatre performance in school on Monday from the Mayflower Theatre of *My Paper Boat*. They loved the songs, the actors, and really took on board the message of the play which was about looking after our oceans.

A parent has made us aware that there is some **asbestos removal work** taking place at the top of Church close. Please be aware of this if you are walking past with your children to help keep everyone safe.

A reminder also to please be aware of older teenagers using the **park and Rec after school**—a few parents have reported that they are not always behaving in the most appropriate way so just be mindful of this if your children visit the park after school.

Gardening club are also seeking **donations of any seeds or plants** (not vegetables please); if you are green-fingered and have anything you would be willing to donate we would be very grateful. Thank you.

In assembly today we congratulated our **star pupils**, and celebrated children's **achievements outside of school**. Well done to: Darci in YR, and Ellie and Amira in Y2 for their swimming awards; Eddie in Y2 and Travis in Y4 for their Muay Thai medals; Patryk in Y2 for taking part in some special activities with the University of Birmingham; Ella in Y4 and Millie in Y5 for their football trophies for winning their league, and Millie for most consistent player; Alfie S in Y5 for his Rugby medal; Jacob S in Y5 for his football trophy; and Max in Y5 for being the only Island entrant to reach the finals of his recent skateboarding competition on the mainland.

Well done also to our **star readers** this week—we have a special reward planned for our top readers so keep up the great work!

We also congratulated our top five **homework achievers** who can be seen below. Congratulations!

Our **Big Think question** this week was: Do you think humans will make enough medical advances in this century to be able to live much longer in the future? Would you want to live for longer? There were some excellent discussions and some budding medical researchers and philosophers sharing their thoughts this week!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend,

Miss Paterson

Top 5	Maths Shed	Spelling Shed	TTRS	Numbots
1 st	Caleb (Y4)	Ella (Y4)	Charlie (Y4)	Ewan (Y5)
2 nd	Charlie (Y4)	Ellie (Y2)	Seb (Y4)	Caleb (Y5)
3 rd	Tallulah (Y4)	Brody (Y4)	Max (Y5)	Alfie S (Y5)
4 th	Koby (Y6)	Eneah (Y5)	Harry (Y4)	Louis (Y5)
5 th	Max (Y6)	Patryk (Y2)	Levi (Y4)	Jacob (Y5)
Top Class for the week	Year 4	Year 4	Year 4	Year 5

Dates for your diary:

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WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

On Monday the children really enjoyed watching the production of 'My Paper Boat' about a pirate which tied in nicely as Pirates was our topic last term. The children had made 'raindrops' which they waved during the production so that they could get involved. We enjoyed getting into our key person groups to talk about our holidays and some of the fun things we did. From this we then wrote some simple sentences about our experiences. In maths we have continued to look at odd and even numbers with an emphasis on the children being able to explain what an odd number is and what an even number is. We also welcomed the nursery children across as part of their transition visits. All in all a busy first week back for us all!

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Year 1 have had a great first week back, exploring our new topic about Queen Victoria with enthusiasm. We have started reading *Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine* by Gloria Whelan in English, and felt very sorry for the poor hot and bothered queen who had to wear so many layers of clothing, only being allowed to show her face and hands. We designed some very creative ways for her to be able to go swimming without the public "glimpsing her knees" including catapults, cranes and submarines! We also focused on our handwriting, making sure that our letters sit on the line and are the right sizes and heights—well done everyone. We continued our focus on this story during Art, creating painted seascapes and Victorian paper dolls. In Maths we have been thinking about counting in tens, twos and fives, and have worked hard on writing our 'teen' and 'ty' numbers correctly. In History we began to explore how seaside holidays have changed over time, sharing our own experiences of visiting the beach and recording this in diary entries. Fantastic writing once again, Year 1! In Science we will be looking at the different parts of plants, in RE we are talking about special places, and in Music we thoroughly enjoyed the Mayflower performance of *My Paper Boat*, singing beautifully and participating with enthusiasm. A super week, well done!

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Back with a bang! Year 2 has had a really busy first week back. In English, we started looking at our new book *Tidy*. The children made some fantastic predictions before moving onto our focus of the week—conjunctions. The children applied their prior and new learning on this topic and produced some fantastic narratives retelling the story.

Maths was very challenging this week! The whole class found our first lesson very difficult, so we took a step back, started from the first building block again and by the end of the week, they had all made huge progress in adding tens and ones using a number line to bridge ten! A big well done for such fantastic perseverance!

In science we looked at what different animals eat. The children each showed their knowledge through the creation of a food chain. We learnt some new vocabulary to go along with our topic and all the children did a great job of applying this during the lesson.

Overall, a brilliant week!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week we have started looking at turns and angles within 2D shapes. The children have used their understanding of analogue clocks to help them identify quarter turns, half turns, three quarter turns and full turns. They have also worked with compass directions to help them solve word problems that involve a variety of clockwise and anticlockwise turns.

In English, we have started reading our new class text – ‘The Wreck of the Zanzibar’ by Michael Morpurgo. The class have made their own predictions about the story so far and collected lots of new vocabulary about boats that they have gone on to use in their independent sentences.

In Science, we have learnt about pushes and pulls to help us understand how objects move. The children enjoyed pushing tennis balls onto different surfaces and observed that the concrete created a greater rebound than the grass.

In PSHE, we have been looking at a variety of relationships that we have with friends and family and the positive qualities we need when being a good friend.

Welcome back Year 3, what a great start you have already made to our new half term.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a great first week back of our final half term! In writing this week, we have been recapping our knowledge of determiners and possessive and plural-possessive apostrophes, and ended the week by incorporating this knowledge into a short narrative. In Maths, we have been learning how to use a formal method of division, also known as the ‘bus stop’ method. Then, we combined our multiplication and division skills to solve worded problems. During RE, we have been imagining what God may look like and the different traits that God has. From this, we illustrated our ideas and created poems about God. Another great week in Music with Mr Stroud this week as the class dusted off their brass

instruments to perform a new piece. Finally, in Science, we have been discussing what makes appliances work by determining if they are main-powered or battery-powered. Well done Year 4!

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What an interesting first week back! This week we introduced the children to our new topic – Ancient Egypt. In English, the children were introduced to our new story, The Egyptian Cinderella, and used their knowledge of parenthesis and expanded noun phrases to write character descriptions for the two main characters – Rhodopis and Amasis. In Maths, we recapped angles. The children explored estimating and measuring the size of different angles, as well as exploring a range of reasoning problems. Later in the week, we moved onto multiplication, using a range of methods to solve short multiplication problems. In history, we explored the Ancient Egyptian timeline and discussed some of the key events that occurred during that time. My highlight of the week was homework based. I have been very impressed with the determination most of Year 5 have shown when trying to get into the top five, for TTRS and/or Numbots.

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week we have enjoyed diving into our new class text: *The Girl Who Walked On Air* by Emma Carroll. The story has an exciting setting of a Victorian circus, and so we have done lots of work around this setting to understand what kind of acts might have appeared and how the circus itself would have looked, culminating in a first-person recount as an audience-member at the circus. In science we have begun a half term of revising previous units, undertaking some assessments, and enjoying some practical investigations. This week we revised and completed an assessment about the circulatory system of the human body. In history, we have started to find out more about our topic of the Civil Rights Movement in America and the children had a lot of very interesting and thoughtful questions - which they may seek more information about at home. The children have also been asked to go home and find out in what year a grandparent was born, to help them gain some personal context about how recently these social changes took place in modern history. In art, we have begun a unit on watercolour paint and in PSHE we have looked at media manipulation of images and the reasons behind this deception.

Chartwells Schools		WEEK 2				
		W/C: 22/04, 13/05, 10/06, 01/07, 22/07, 16/09, 07/10				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Beef Bolognese 🍖 🍷 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Butter Chicken Curry 🍛 🍷 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Southern Fried Chicken Served with Chips
	JACKET POTATO	Vegetarian Bolognese 🍷 🍷 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Veggie Burrito 🍷 🍷	Quorn Roast 🍷 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese 🍷	Veggie Fingers 🍷 Served with Chips
	DESSERT	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				
		Chocolate Cookie	Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice 🍷	Orange Jelly	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit 🍷	Orange Drizzle
		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

Armah Year 1

Hussein-Gambles
Year 2

Shien Ng Year 3

Richards Year 4

Aderin-Pocock Year 5

Islam Year 6

Charlie & George

Lincoln

Florence

Joe

Max

Elodie

Evie

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	94.7	93.8
Armah	90.7	94.4
Hussain-Gambles	96.1	96.4
Shien Ng	96.3	95.4
Richards	95.5	95.8
Aderin-Pocock	99.4	96.4
Islam	91.8	95.1
Whole School	94.98	95.2

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

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Palmer	0	38
Armah	1	41
Hussain-Gamble	1	15
Shien Ng	0	52
Richards	5	53
Aderin-Pocock	0	18
Islam	2	38
Whole School	9	24
Total Minutes	25	3735

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

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- Brown bear activity sheet
- Design a teddy bear or teddy biscuit
- Make a pipe cleaner teddy bear
- Teddy bear songs

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First 30 Biosphere Festival Events announced for June 29th and 30th!

30 events across the island have been confirmed for the [Isle of Wight Biosphere Festival](http://www.iwbiosphere.org) this June 29th and 30th, with more to be announced.

There will be two days of talks and workshops on a variety of Biosphere subjects at the Quay Arts Centre in Newport, as well as a weekend of family fun and learning at the Wildheart Animal Sanctuary's Festival of Conservation and Science (FOCAS) Festival. But it doesn't stop there, all around the island there will be events exploring local nature and our human connections with it. Most events are free and family friendly!

Confirmed events include: crafty activities for children at six local libraries, a rewilding open day, a Creative Biosphere market, a great oak walk, a wellbeing walk, a mindful forest walk and an arty walk, a community clay art workshop, moth identification, fashion upcycling, a permaculture food forest open day, a literary launch, a digital heritage trail, mardi gras costume making, an evening of songs about trees, and creative consultations for young people across two Newport venues. There will also be a bike ride for kids, a day of nature activities, storytelling and more.

Festival ferry discounts are available to allow your friends and family to come over and join the celebrations too.

More events welcome! To find out more about the programme, sign up to the mailing list to get the latest news, contact the festival organisers with your event idea or enquire about volunteering, go to [iwbiosphere.org/biospherefestival](http://www.iwbiosphere.org/biospherefestival).