



**Dates for 2024-25
(subject to change)**

**Dates will follow next
week.**

Wootton Community Primary School

6th September 2024

Dear Parents/carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new school year and in particular to our new starters in reception and other year groups I am sure you are delighted with the news from the council this week that our school has not been identified at this stage for closure and our thoughts go out to those schools who will be affected. Please keep an eye out for any further documentation sent out following the council meetings being held over the next few months.

In the newsletter next week we will endeavour to share important dates for the year with you but in the meantime please note your child's PE day. Children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 will need to bring their PE kit to school with all items named in a named bag, whereas children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3 to 6) will need to wear their PE kits to school:

Monday - Reception and Year 6

Tuesday - Year 5

Wednesday - Year 1 and Year 4

Thursday - Year 2 and Year 3

Please ensure that children remove their earrings for PE and a gentle reminder that only **ONE PAIR** of stud earrings are allowed to be worn to school and no other jewellery, other than a watch, should be worn. Toys are not allowed to be brought into school unless requested by staff for a specific event and please ensure **ALL** clothing is labelled. We are very mindful of the current financial climate and the cost of clothing and want to reassure you that school uniform does not need to have the school logo on. However, please ensure PE tops are plain white with plain black shorts/joggers and that clothing does not have brand names on. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you are experiencing difficulties with purchasing school uniform as we do have second hand uniform available to purchase.

In assembly today we presented our Year 6 children with their various council responsibilities and in assembly today we presented the School Council with their badges. School Council are selected at random whereas the other groups are chosen for different reasons such as sportsmanship or leadership, so well done to everyone.

Stokes House Sports Ambassadors: Poppy and Ewan,

House Captains: Sienna and Theodore

Asher-Smith House Sports Ambassadors: Eneah and Max,

House Captains: Layla and Alfie A

Jones House Sports Ambassadors: Iommi and Evan, House Captains: Lillah and Alfie S

Farrell House Sports Ambassadors: Evie and Kurtis, House Captains: Faye and Sidney

Our JTAs (Junior Travel Ambassadors) are Isabel and Matthew in Year 5 with Ollie and Millie in Year 6.

Due to my absence last term our School Council did not get many opportunities meet so we have decided to keep most of the children the same for the first half of the school year with a few changes. Our School Council are: from Year 1 Molly and Dominic, from Year 2 Lily and Aiden, from Year 3 Enya and Louis, from Year 4 Sydney and Henry, from Year 5 Gracie and Theo and from Year 6 Kristen, Jay, Cooper and Louis with Jack,

Elodie, Jacob and Sonny taking over this role after February half-term.

For children in Years 1 to 6 you will have received a clubs form today. I am sorry that we are only able to offer a limited number of clubs this half-term. As a school we have always been very proud of the after school extra curricular opportunities that we provide, however this is very dependant on staffing and budget. We are hoping to be able to offer more as the year moves on. Please remind your child that clubs are an addition to school, as there is no expectation that we must offer these, and their behaviour and attendance must be the same as we expect during the school day, thank you. The form **MUST BE RETURNED ON MONDAY AND BY TUESDAY 9AM** at the **VERY** latest. If you have any arrears from club payments last year these will need to be cleared before your child is offered a space this term and any forms received after Tuesday will not be considered for a club space.

In assembly today we celebrated some excellent achievements from the Summer Holiday. Daisy and Emily-Rose in Year 5 and Sid in Year 6 shared their football medals with Sid being chosen as the most improved player and Emily-Rose received a trophy for being the player of the day. John and Adeline in Year 2 shared their swimming certificate, Dylan in Year 5 has passed his Silver Award Rookie Lifeguard course and Lexie in Year 3 was awarded a certificate at the Little Rockets gym and trampoline club for outstanding performance I also shared a video with the children about the Shoe Box Appeal that takes place every year. Children are encouraged to fill a box with toys or small items of clothing to be taken abroad to children in need. Flat boxes will be delivered to school next week if you need a box and we hope to receive more information then too. Boxes will need to be in school by Monday 14th October.

Ralph in Year 4 is attending the Child of Wight Award ceremony this evening with his family after being nominated for his incredible charity work, being the youngest to complete the whole Walk the Wight and raising the most money. We look forward to hearing how he got on and will share this with you next week, good luck Ralph!

Thank you to all the children who remembered to bring their Reading Challenge certificate and medals in today. We had 21 children who completed the activity during the holidays, well done everyone.

Many of you will know that Mr Scurr and his wife are expecting their second child very soon so Mr Scurr will taking a few weeks paternity leave. During this time Mrs Menzies who works in school as a Teaching Assistant but is a qualified teacher, will cover the class. She is working closely with Mr Scurr at present to ensure there is a smooth handover and both myself and Miss Paterson will also be available to support and their TA Mrs Dew knows the class very well too!

Thank you for your patience whilst accessing our new payment and communication system Arbor. As with all of these things we are having a few teething problems and hope it all gets sorted quickly. Many schools use this system with most schools moving over this year too. You will need to access the app if you have not done so already, tutorials are attached to the newsletter to help you. Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Elvin in the office if you are experiencing any problems. All payments for dinners, visits, contributions etc. will be made using this app so it is vital that you access this as we will no longer be using School Money.

You will have hopefully seen a leaflet this week regarding an opportunity to access some free maths training. Many parents accessed this last year and found it very useful in being able to support their child with maths at home. Please come along on Thursday 19th September from 9am to 10am to hear more and join the parents already attending.

Finally, sorry for such a lengthy newsletter this week, I need to remind everyone about safe parking. We encourage you to please access the carpark by the Rec so that you can have a safe walk, 2 minutes at the most, through the Rec to come through the top gate. We need to try and limit the amount of cars parking along Church Road. I have already received a complaint from a resident in Wootton Lodge (the housing opposite the school) that parents are parking here. Please note THIS IS NOT public parking and is private land for the residents only so please do not park here. Blue badge holders must park in a way that does not obstruct safe crossing and therefore we ask that if possible you park slightly further along Church Road so that children can cross safely at the bottom of the drive and see,

thank you.

In the meantime I hope you have a fabulous weekend !

Jane Wilford



WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week we welcomed our new Reception children into class. The children have had a lovely three days in school. We have talked about our routines such as ringing the bell for carpet time, where to find our water bottles and about our marble jar, where once the jar is full we can have a party! We have enjoyed playing with all the resources including the dolls, duplo, home corner, reading books and the children have loved being outside. All in all a great week.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a super start to Year 1! The class have really enjoyed exploring their new classroom and outdoor area and have settled in beautifully. In English, we read the book *Peace at Last* and the children really enjoyed joining in with the noises and repeated phrases in the story. They then used their phonic sounds to add labels to the illustrations, and talked about Mr Bear's feelings at different points in the story. The children did some fantastic counting in Maths. We practiced counting forwards and backwards then we counted objects, pointing to each object as we counted it. On Friday we revised our number formation, thinking about which direction each number starts off in - a push or a pull. In Science we learnt about the different body parts. We labelled a picture of a body and enjoyed singing songs about the body parts. In DT we learned about sewing and practiced some threading cards, in Music we found the beat in lots of creative ways and enjoyed learning a new song, and in Computing we began to explore what technology is and how different forms can help us.

Well done everyone for such a fantastic first week back :)

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Welcome to Year 2!

I hope the children have enjoyed coming back to school and getting settled into Year 2. We've had a fantastic week and they've all worked very hard!

In English, we have started looking at the book *Traction Man*. We thought carefully about what we liked, disliked and what questions we had about the story. Some of the class said that it reminded them of *Super Potato*. We then looked at some of the vocabulary in the book and came up with our own definitions.

Next week, we will be trying to use these words in our writing.

In Maths, we have been focusing on place value. We started by ordering and finding missing numbers up to 100. We then moved onto representing 2-digit numbers using a variety of resources, thinking about

how many tens and ones a number contained. We ended the week with some number partitioning. In Science, we started to look at materials. This week we recapped what we've already learnt about materials. Next week we will be helping *Traction Man* select the best material to help him solve a problem.

A fantastic start to the year! Well done Year 2!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a busy first week! The children have worked hard learning all of their new routines and have adjusted well to the new timetable and life in KS2. This week, we have introduced our first class text, *The BFG*, and have begun using our knowledge of the book to write a character description of the BFG himself. In maths, we have recapped knowledge of two digit numbers and have moved onto place value of numbers up to 1000. In the wider curriculum, we have begun our study of computer systems by learning that all digital devices require an input, process, and output in order to work; have learned what makes a place peaceful in RE, and have used digital mapping to name and locate the countries of the UK. Keep up the good work Year 3. Enjoy your well deserved weekend, I'm sure you are all just as tired as I am!

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP TO

It has been wonderful welcoming Year 4 into their new classroom this week! We have kicked off this half term with our Anglo-Saxon topic which will be our focus in History. During our History lesson, we discovered who the Anglo-Saxons were, why they came to Britain and what their lives looked like. In English, we have begun reading *Beowulf*, and describing the evil monster Grendel through Kenning poems. In RE, we have started our Christianity unit and have been discussing the concept of a neighbour. The class have been very creative with their print making in DT this week, using leaves and other materials to create various designs. Finally, we have been making lots of noise in Science, as we learn all about what sound is, and how we hear it. Overall, it has been a fabulous first week (despite the weather!) and I am looking forward to what next week brings. Well done Year 4!

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

What a fantastic first week in Year 5!

The class have settled in well and it's been so lovely to get to know them more over the last few days. In English, we have begun to explore Kensuke's Kingdom, focusing specifically on when Michael falls overboard. The children have thoroughly enjoyed participating in drama activities; acting out this scene in groups and hot seating in role to gather ideas for their recount writing. In maths, the children have been revisiting their place value understanding, demonstrating how numbers can be shown using a range of different representations. The children have also had fun in music learning to sing *Livin' on a Prayer*, and proved they understand the three states of matter in Science by pretending they were the particles within a solid, liquid and gas. I'm really impressed by their work ethic so far and I know we've got a great year ahead!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Our new Year Six children have settled into their first week with maturity and enthusiasm. We have loved reading our new class text - Percy Jackson - and it is inspiring our writing. After reading about Percy's encounters with strange and dangerous creatures, the children are planning and writing another encounter for Percy - with a creature of their own choosing or imagination! In maths, we have worked on place value by reviewing some previous number work and then tackling some very large numbers indeed. The children have started to learn more about ancient Greece as part of their history - and in doing so we are learning more about some characters who will soon appear in our Percy Jackson text! In science, we reviewed what the children already know about the topic of Light, so that we can address any misconceptions before moving on. You may already have seen on Google Classroom that I have shared some of the sketching we did in our art lesson, inspired by the dynamic sporting poses on Greek vases. This is an exceptionally artistic class so I am excited for the skills we will develop this year. The children will soon be given their responsibilities such as House Captains and Sports Ambassadors, as well as office duty and helping in Reception, and soon we will also match the children up with a Reception 'buddy' who they will have opportunities to read with and spend time with this year. Well done, Year Six, on an excellent first week!

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

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 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

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with a choice of hot and cold fillings

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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 with 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

Murphy
Year 1

Teddington

Gravett
Year 2

Ollie

Dahl
Year 3

Eddie

Sutcliff
Year 4

Sophie

Q' Raúf
Year 5

Max

Rundell
Year 6

Kurtis



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 (%)
Donaldson	92.67	92.67
Murphy	99.01	99.01
Gravett	96.17	96.17
Dahl	100	100
Sutcliff	96.25	96.25
Q' Raúf	98.26	98.26
Rundell	99.55	99.55
Whole School	97.62	97.62

The class with the best attendance this week is:
Dahl Year 3

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Donaldson	0	0
Murphy	3	3
Gravett	1	1
Dahl	0	0
Sutcliff	0	0
Q' Raúf	3	3
Rundell	0	0
Whole School	7	7
Total Minutes	16	16

Our school target is 96.5%.

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

JUNIOR NETBALL

SKILLS FITNESS FRIENDS FUN

ISLE OF WIGHT NETBALL
Isle of Wight Netball Clubs are welcoming new Junior members!

Clubs offer training and competitive matches in the Junior Isle of Wight league on Sundays at Seaclose Park, Newport.

GET IN TOUCH!

Solent Netball Club
Contact Chris Grimes: 07969504734, cmg1604@googlemail.com

Tuesday	Wednesday	Years
Ryde Academy	882 Netball	Years 1-6
		5.30pm - 6.30pm

Shorewell Netball Club
Contact Ann Selby: 07785750266, easelby47@gmail.com

Monday	Wednesday	Saturday	Years
Ryde School (winter)	Seaclose Park (Summer)	Seaclose Park	Years 3-7
			5.30pm - 6.30pm

Additional Sessions
Years 3-10

Wednesday	Saturday	Years
Seaclose Park	Ryde Academy	Years 7-10
5.30pm - 6.30pm	10am - 11am	6.30pm - 7.30pm

Shorewell Mini's
ages 5-8

Thursday @ Christ the King
5pm - 5.30/6pm

FREE RUGBY COACHING COURSES

Free for Vectis RFC coaches and Local Teachers

Kids First Tag - Wednesday 18th September @ IWRFC Wootton

Kids First Contact
Wed 25th September & Wed 9th October @ IWRFC Wootton

Book online by clicking the links above or go to <https://gms.rfu.com/GMS>

Local teachers can claim back the cost of both courses by emailing proof of purchase to vectisrfctresurer@gmail.com

Join the Kidical Mass Bike Ride

Yaverland Car Park, Sandown, PO36 8QB

Sunday 22 September 2024
10.30am for 11am

WORLD CAR FREE DAY

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

END OF SUMMER FAIR

FREE ENTRY

ARRETON CRICKET CLUB RAISING MONEY FOR OUR CLUB

Saturday 14th September 2024
11am-3pm

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- Bouncy castle
- Vintage Amusements
- Stalls
- Entertainment
- BBQ
- Special Guests
- Games
- Raffle

and much more!

Arreton Cricket Club, Heasley Lane
<https://www.facebook.com/accsummerfair>

ARRETON CC Dog Show

Saturday 14th September

Register from 11am
Dog show to start at 1pm

Our first ACC Dog Show during our End of Summer Fair
£2 per entry

Doggie prizes for all

- Best Handler
- Waggiest Tail
- Best Male
- Best Bitch
- Best in Show

Fun show All welcome

Show off your poodles

SPONSORED BY AMORES PAWS

Arreton cricket club, Heasley Lane, Arreton

Saturday 14th September

11am-3pm

Free entry for all

Raising money for our club

Music & entertainment

A fun dog show

Bbq & food

Face painting

Sun drum circus skills

Bouncy castle

Games & Raffle

Spiderman

Whatever next entertainment

Vintage amusements

Craft stalls

Candy floss

Ice cream

And more....All in one place for a fabulous family day out with free entry

We hope you can make it along to come and support our little club

www.facebook.com/accsummerfair

Isle of Wight School Terms And Holidays 2024 – 2025

Determined programme of school term and holiday dates for county and controlled schools for the academic year 2024/25

SEPTEMBER 2024						
M	26	2*	9	16	23	30
T	27	3*	10	17	24	
W	28	4**	11	18	25	
T	29	5	12	19	26	
F	30	6	13	20	27	
S	31	7	14	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22	29	

OCTOBER 2024						
M		7	14	21	28	
T	1	8	15	22	29	
W	2	9	16	23	30	
T	3	10	17*	24	31	
F	4	11	18#	25		
S	5	12	19	26		
S	6	13	20	27		

NOVEMBER 2024						
M		4*	11	18	25	
T		5	12	19	26	
W		6	13	20	27	
T		7	14	21	28	
F	1	8	15	22	29	
S	2	9	16	23	30	
S	3	10	17	24		

DECEMBER 2024						
M		2	9	16	23	30
T		3	10	17	24	31
W		4	11	18	25	
T		5	12	19	26	
F		6	13	20#	27	
S		7	14	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22	29	

JANUARY 2025						
M		6*	13	20	27	
T		7	14	21	28	
W	1	8	15	22	29	
T	2	9	16	23	30	
F	3	10	17	24	31	
S	4	11	18	25		
S	5	12	19	26		

FEBRUARY 2025						
M		3	10	17	24*	
T		4	11	18	25	
W		5	12	19	26	
T		6	13	20	27	
F		7	14#	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22		
S	2	9	16	23		

MARCH 2025						
M		3	10	17	24	31
T		4	11	18	25	
W		5	12	19	26	
T		6	13	20	27	
F		7	14	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22	29	
S	2	9	16	23	30	

APRIL 2025						
M		7	14	21	28	
T	1	8	15	22*	29	
W	2	9	16	23	30	
T	3	10	17	24		
F	4#	11	18	25		
S	5	12	19	26		
S	6	13	20	27		

MAY 2025						
M		5	12	19	26	
T		6	13	20	27	
W		7	14	21	28	
T	1	8	15	22	29	
F	2	9	16	23#	30	
S	3	10	17	24	31	
S	4	11	18	25		

JUNE 2025						
M		2*	9	16	23	30
T		3*	10	17	24	
W		4	11	18	25	
T		5	12	19	26	
F		6	13	20	27	
S		7	14	21	28	
S	1	8	15	22	29	

JULY 2025						
M		7	14	21	28	
T	1	8	15	22	29#	
W	2	9	16	23	30	
T	3	10	17	24	31	
F	4	11	18	25*		
S	5	12	19	26		
S	6	13	20	27		

AUGUST 2025						
M		4	11	18	25	
T		5	12	19	26	
W		6	13	20	27	
T		7	14	21	28	
F	1	8	15	22	29	
S	2	9	16	23	30	
S	3	10	17	24	31	

* First Day after break

Last day before break

** Reception 25/26 first day

☁ Development Day