



Wootton Community Primary School

27th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well that wasn't the end of the week I was expecting! Thank you again for your patience and understanding and I hope you have enjoyed a longer weekend with your children! As I said in my email earlier I really do appreciate how inconvenient this has been and the decision was not made lightly. We were given information from Southern Water that the issues would not be resolved for some time and they could not give us any time frame for when the water would be back on. I am sure you understand that we cannot have a school open without any running water so it was for this reason we had to close. There seems to be a lot of road works taking place around Wootton at the moment so I really do hope we will not be affected like this again!

We did manage to hold our assembly this morning so had the chance to congratulate our **Star Pupils** as well as hearing from Lexi in Year 2 who shared her swimming certificates, from Dotty in Year 2 who was voted player of the team by her football team as well as Arlo from Year 2 who was awarded a football trophy. Emily-Rose in Year 5 showed us her Brownie badge for attending Brownies for 4 years now showing excellent commitment. Well done everyone, photos will be in the newsletter next week.

We also heard from our **boys and girls Year 5 and 6 football teams** having played matches this week. Sadly both teams lost their games but played brilliantly and represented the school so well. A special well done to Ella in Year 5 who took the role of goal keeper for the first time and did a fantastic job. Well done to all the children who played, we are very proud of you all.

Our top 5 homework achievers this week are:

	TTRS	Spelling Shed	Maths Shed	Numbots
1st	Dylan Y5	Louis Y6	Adiella Y3	Adiella Y3
2nd	Sebby Y5	Ella Y5	Sid Y6	Ewan Y6
3rd	Matthew Y5	Adiella Y3	Eneah Y6	Ahbab Y3
4th	Ella Y5	Eneah Y3	Emilyrose Y5	Faye Y6
5th	Theo Y5	Matthew Y6	Patryk Y3	Charlie Y1
Best class	Year 5	Year 6	Year 3	Year 3

On Monday in assembly **Millie in Year 6** was presented with her Lead librarian badge as she has the important role of leading a team to improve our indoor and outdoor library, I look forward to working with her.

Thank you to all the parent helper offers for our walk on Monday to the Church and back. Please ensure your child has a coat on Monday; we look forward to receiving all the **donations of food for the food bank**.

Dates for 2024-25 (subject to change)

Mon 30.09.24 Years 1-6 Harvest Service

Mon 30.09.24 PTA AGM @ 6.30pm

Tues 01.10.24 Y6 Residential information session at 3.15pm

Weds 02.10.24 Year 4 visit to Butser Farm

Fri 11.10.24 Deadline to return Cauliflower cards

Mon 14.10.24 Individual school photos

Thurs 17.10.24 Celebration Assembly

Fri 18.10.24 Staff training day (school closed to children)

21.10.24-01.11.24 Half-term

Mon 11.11.24 Flu vaccines (more information to follow)

Tues 12.11.24 Parents evening

Thurs 14.11.24 Parents evening

Mon 09.12.24 Dress rehearsal for Christmas performance

Tues 10.12.24 Christmas performance 1.30pm and 6pm

Thurs 12.12.24 Christmas performance 1.30pm and 6pm

Weds 18.12.24 Christmas dinner (tbc)

Thurs 19.12.24 Christingle

Fri 20.12.24 Parties!

23.12.24-03.01.25 Christmas Break

17.02.25-21.02.25 Half-term break

Mon 24.03.25 Parents evening

Weds 26.03.25 Parents evening

07.04-21.04.25 Easter break

12.05-15.05.25 Year 6 SATS

20.05-23.05.25 Year 6 residential (more details to follow)

26.05-30.05.25 Half-term

Mon 02.06.25 Staff training day (school closed to children)

Fri 18.07.25 End of year reports home

Weds 23.07.25 Teacher 'open evening'

Fri 25.07.25 Year 6 Leavers presentation @ 11am

12 noon family picnic with optional finish time 1.30pm

Also on **Monday** I hope to see lots of new faces at our **PTA AGM at 6.30pm** in school. Please come along, even if you cannot commit to a role within the PTA so that we can share ideas about more fund raising events this year. Please come to the side gate as the meeting will take place in the Year 5 classroom.

Year 6 parents don't forget the residential information meeting on Tuesday at 3.15pm.

We wish **Mr Billington** a speedy recovery following his long awaited knee surgery. We are unsure as to how long he will be off for, so we will be able to let you know next week as to whether his clubs will run for the last two weeks of term. We will send a text out early next week.

In the meantime I hope you have a great weekend,

Mrs Jane Wilford

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Wilford', with a stylized flourish at the end.

WHAT RECEPTION HAVE BEEN UP TO

We have had another busy week in Reception class and we have continued to work on our Baseline assessments and Cauliflower card designs. We are working so hard on our phonics and the children are trying really hard to retain these plus to write them. It is always very exciting when children independently find a sound in our environment or come rushing up to tell you they can hear a sound in a word. The children have been doing this a lot in the week. We also had a chat about Autumn and the differences we notice in the trees. The children have had lots of fun counting conkers and playing with them.

WHAT YEAR 1 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In English this week, we explored our new class book - Beegu. The children made some great predictions about the character and then wrote a list of words about Beegu, before sequencing the story and challenging themselves to write longer labels and sentences. Excellent work, everyone! The children are also working hard on their pencil hold and letter reversals; keep up the super work. We solved problems in Maths and practised finding one more and one less, and then moved on to talk about partitioning (splitting) numbers into different groups e.g. $2+3=5$. In Science we continued our learning about the five senses. This week we learnt about the sense of touch. We felt objects in a bag and guessed what was inside. The children thought of some great words to describe the objects and all enjoyed guessing what they could be! In DT we continued our sewing projects using running and blanket stitches, and in Computing we practiced our mouse skills and introduced typing using the keyboard. Another great week. well done Year 1 :)

WHAT YEAR 2 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week Year 2 has been writing the sequel to Traction Man. We started the week looking at writing consistently in past tense, and then moved onto planning our new stories. The children have all made a really good start on their writing and we're looking forward to getting them finished off next week.

In Maths we have been working on addition and subtraction of a 2-digit number and 1 digit number. The children all used number lines and hundred squares independently to solve a variety of questions. We then moved onto adding and subtracting multiples of 10.

In History, we learnt all about what Grace Darling did that made her a hero. We discussed the differences between life back then. We thought about how Grace must have felt before, during and after the rescue and how the people she saved must have felt.

In Art, we looked at applying our colour mixing skills to create different tones of a storm sky scape. The end products were amazing. The children will be able to use these skills later on the term to create a piece of art about Grace Darling.

A brilliant week in Year 2! Well done!

WHAT YEAR 3 HAVE BEEN UP TO

I have had a lovely first week in Year 3 and the children have made me very welcome! In English this week, we have continued our study of the BFG by exploring what it must feel like being snatched by a giant. The children have been writing fabulous diary entries again, but this time inspired by the BFG and his friendship with Sophie - his first real friend. The children have taken their learning a step further by adding conjunctions and adventurous adjectives to their sentences. In Maths, we have spent the week recapping our addition and subtraction using a variety of different methods to do so. In science, we learned how light travels through certain objects and identified which everyday items are opaque, transparent and translucent. In geography we explored what London would look like in 50 years time and in PSHE we explored how to compromise and deal with conflict. Art was super exciting, as the children could decorate two images of London evoking contrasting emotions in the style of Nico Gooden. During our French lesson, the children continued to practice basic greetings - saying hello and asking what your name is. We also learnt how to ask how someone is and reply.

WHAT YEAR 4 HAVE BEEN UP TO

In Year 4 this week, we have been busy learning across all subjects! In maths, we have been focusing on rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. In English, we have been rewriting the classic tale of Beowulf, using our skills in paragraphing and speech punctuation. Music has seen us perfecting our Harvest song which we are looking forward to performing next week. In science, we have been exploring pitch, and in computing we've established the difference between the internet and the World Wide Web, web pages and web sites. The highlight of the week was our visit from children's author and illustrator Simon Murray, who showed us how to recreate 'Icky Doo Dah', putting our art skills to the test! Overall, another wonderful week and I cannot wait to see what next week brings.

WHAT YEAR 5 HAVE BEEN UP TO

Another great week in Year 5!

We explored character descriptions in English, looking in detail at the different types of language features used to build an image in readers' minds. The children role played as if they were in the story, gaining ideas for how Kensuke looked, moved and acted, and this was then used to inspire some excellent writing. In Maths, the children have been practicing their addition and subtraction skills, leading on to exploring multistep problems and Applying their understanding in a variety of contexts. In computing, the children enjoyed evaluating different search engines and their results, and in Geography, they learnt what tectonic plates are and how the Earth is made up. As I was only with the children for three days this week, it has been great to hear from Miss Paterson and Mrs Fish that they have been focused and produced some lovely work. The highlight of the week was definitely practicing their harvest song, which the children have worked extremely hard on perfecting for Monday!

WHAT YEAR 6 HAVE BEEN UP TO

This week the Year Six children have been very busy! Earlier in the week, they completed some practice test papers and we were all so impressed with their positive attitude and hard work. As we explained to the children, practicing tests allows them to gain a good understanding of their own learning journey, shows their teacher what areas would be best for us to focus on, and also familiarises the children with the format and question styles.

Later in the week, several children completed Bikeability and will hopefully continue this next week. In science, we reviewed our understanding of the way light works and the children had a chance to research their own questions about light using the iPads so they could see how this topic relates to their own interests such as technology or history. Speaking of which, in history, we held a passionate debate between Athens and Sparta, with the Spartan team making some excellent points but the Athenians standing their ground well. This activity not only allowed them to make historical comparisons, but also required speaking and listening skills - which they demonstrated very maturely. We reviewed some clay techniques in art and acted out some friendship disputes in PSHE.

Chartwells Schools		WEEK 1 W/C: 15/04, 06/05, 03/06, 24/06, 15/07, 09/09, 30/09				
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	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
	JACKET POTATO	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 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

Bella

Gravett
Year 2

Alfie

Dahl
Year 3

Louis

Sutcliff
Year 4

Ronnie

Q' Raúf
Year 5

Brody

Rundell
Year 6

Cooper

Please come and see your child presented with their certificate and hear the wonderful reasons as to why they have been chosen as their class Star Pupil this week in our celebration assembly on **Friday at 8.45am.**

Please sign in at the office.

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	91.21	93.82
Murphy	93.53	95.59
Gravett	97.92	95.91
Dahl	97.41	98.37
Sutcliff	94.76	96.03
Q' Raúf	90.09	94.91
Rundell	98.05	98.0
Whole School	94.76	96.14

***The class with the best attendance this week is:
Rundell Year 6***

	Lates This Week	Lates since September
Donaldson	2	9
Murphy	3	10
Gravett	0	4
Dahl	4	12
Sutcliff	2	7
Q' Raúf	10	20
Rundell	3	6
Whole School	24	70
Total Minutes	130	514

Our school target is 96.5%.

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



Carisbrooke College
ASPIRE AND ACHIEVE

Year 6 Open Evening

Tuesday 1 October
5.00 - 8.00 pm

Please join us for

- a short presentation, repeated at 5.15 and 6.15 pm
- tours of the school
- opportunities to meet staff (including SEND) and current students
- Subject demonstrations



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Medina College
ASPIRE AND ACHIEVE

Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 26 September
5.00 - 8.00 pm

We look forward to welcoming you to our school. Join us for:

- a short presentation - repeated at 5.15 and 6.15pm
- tours of the school
- an opportunity to meet key staff (including SEND) and current students
- demonstrations of our curriculum in action!

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Year 7 Open Evening

Thursday 3rd October 2024, 5.00-7.30pm

Presentation at 5.00pm and 6.00pm followed by tours of the Secondary School

Open Morning: Tuesday 8th October, 9.00-11.00am, please call to book an appointment.






Contact us for more information: Telephone: 01983 403284 Email: office@bayceschool.org Website: bayceschool.org

Ryde Academy Open Evening

October 9th
4:00pm - 7:00pm

Parent Presentations 5:00pm and 6:00pm



Find your remarkable

Top Tips for Secondary School Visits for Parents of Children with Special Educational Needs

Things to look for

- How are you welcomed at Reception?
- How do staff talk about pupils with special needs?
- How do pupils behave towards staff?
- What sort of attitude do staff have?

Questions you could ask

- How many pupils would be in my child's class?
- Who would my child talk to if they had a problem?
- How is the school day arranged?
- Where do children spend their lunch/break times?
- What proportion of the school has special needs?
- What would happen if my child did not follow the school rules?
- What are the rules around school uniform?
- Are there any morning or after school clubs?
- Do you have staff with experience of ...?
- Could you outline the type of support they will get?
- How will I know what you are doing to support my child?
- How will you ensure all staff know about my child's needs?
- How do you communicate with parents?
- What pastoral support is provided by the school?
- How does my child complete homework?

Things you might want to read

The school prospectus The School's information report for SEND

The SEND Policy Other policies e.g. Behaviour or Bullying Policy



SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER
10AM TO 12.30PM

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For the Attention of Year 5/6 parents

If you are visiting a secondary school open evening, you may like to have a read of this helpful guide for things to look for or what to ask when you visit. This is aimed at children with Special Educational Needs, but this could be useful for any child. I hope it helps. You will also find this on our website, under Special Educational Needs

From Mrs. Grimes :-)




Parent Carer engagement event

IW Safety Valve

What it means for families

On Saturday 5th October 2024
at The Riverside Centre
The Quay, Newport Isle of Wight
PO30 2QR
from 10 am - 12 pm

Come along and meet:

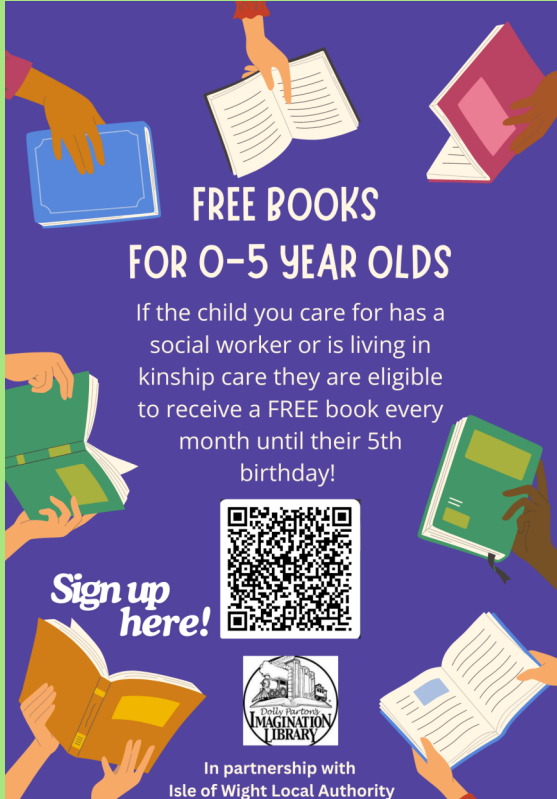
- Members of the LA SEND Team
- Representatives from Parents Voice IW

Please come and share your views and ask your questions

Tea, Coffee & Biscuits will be available

Can't make it? Don't worry - we plan to rotate times of day and type of event, so look out for the next parent carer engagement date.

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FREE BOOKS FOR 0-5 YEAR OLDS

If the child you care for has a social worker or is living in kinship care they are eligible to receive a FREE book every month until their 5th birthday!

Sign up here!




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MOUNTBATTEN GO YELLOW

FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER

MAINS

FISH FINGERS
QUORN DIPPERS

SIDES

CHIPS
SWEETCORN
BAKED BEANS

DESSERT

LEMON CAKE

FOR EVERY MEAL SOLD TODAY - 10P PER MEAL WILL BE DONATED TO THE EARL MOUNTBATTEN HOSPICE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

*MENU MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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FREE TASTER SESSIONS

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JUNIOR PREMIER LEAGUE

MONDAY 30TH SEPT & MONDAY 7TH OCT

TRAINING WILL BE EVERY MONDAY - MAINLAND FIXTURES SCHEDULED

REGISTER NOW!

COWES ENTERPRISE COLLEGE

U7'S, U8'S AND U9'S - 5.30 - 6.30
U11'S & U13'S - 6.30 - 7.30

Guidance to share with parents for Arbor

There's loads of support available to guardians in our Help Centre that you can direct them towards. We have articles for parents on The Help Centre you can email out or show parents where to find, including:

[A quick introduction to Arbor for guardians and parents](#)

[Getting started and logging in](#)

[Payments, School Shop, Meals, Clubs and Trips](#)

[Profiles, messages and meetings](#)