



18th November 2022

Learning and Achieving Through Love, Courage and Respect

Dear parents, carers and children,

What a busy week we have had! In amongst our usual lessons, we have been finishing off assessments, welcoming visitors to our school, learning about road safety, Y3 visited Dinosaur Isle and we raised money for Children in Need. All these activities help to develop the 'whole child', helping them to become aware of the community and the world around them, as well as developing a wide range of skills.

On Monday, as part of UK Parliament Week, **Bob Seely MP**, visited our school. He started off with a tour led by the Y6 SLT (well done Felicity, Alfie and Lauren!), followed by a Q&A session with Y5/6. This visit supported their History unit of work about monarchy and parliament. The children asked some really good questions about what it was like being an MP, including "When and why did you become an MP?", "What do you enjoy about politics?", "What sort of decisions do MPs have to make?", "What is the most important debate you have been part of?", "Has the government ever made



a decision you didn't agree with?" and "Why do MPs shout so much in the House of Commons?" Y6 hope to be able to have a tour of the Houses of Parliament when they visit London in the summer term for their residential trip.

Tuesday brought a visit from **David Randini**, who presented a fun show about road safety. The giggles and roars of laughter coming down the corridor were a delight to hear, and the children are now more aware of how to keep safe around roads.



Throughout this week, as part of **Inter Faith week**, we have welcomed visitors of different faiths, who talked to us about religious festivals. We heard about lots of Hindu festivals, including Holi and Diwali, sampled delicious Indian food, danced to Indian music, heard a Jewish song while learning about Hanukkah and the Maccabees, heard how Methodists and Anglicans celebrate the Christian festivals of Christmas and Easter, and made Eid cards as part of the Muslim festival of Eid-ul-Fitr. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mike, Reverend Jackie, Jonathon and Muhammed, and an

especially big thank you to Avy and his mum Sunitha, who we were delighted to see again. Cllr Andre and Cllr Critchison also visited us as they were very interested in seeing our Inter Faith week in action. Photos of these activities will be in next week's Buzz.

How well do you know the actions to 'Superman', 'Macarena', 'I am the Music Man' and 'Cha Cha Slide'?! The children enjoyed dancing along to these, and more, as part of our Dance-a-long' this morning for **Children in Need**. So far, we have raised over £100! Well done to everyone who donated. You all looked wonderful in your yellow and spotty clothes!



A very proud Mr Stroud came to get me this afternoon, inviting me to listen to the **Y3 children** in their brass lesson. I am not surprised he was so enthusiastic and proud of them; they played wonderfully and could explain about the different notes that they had to read. Well done, Y3!

"Reading is the gateway that makes all other learning possible." **Reading** is an invaluable part of learning and enjoyment, and children are encouraged to read at every opportunity: reading to find out new information and reading for pleasure. It is also really beneficial for children to listen to stories read to them, whatever their age. We ask if you (or your child) can write in their reading record every time they have read, so we can keep track as well. Many thanks.

I hope you have a lovely weekend, and see you again on Monday. Best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team

<u> Collective Worship - Compassion</u>

This week's Collective Worship focus is 'Putting on the right attitude'.

What does the word 'compassion' mean?

The word **compassion** is a combination of two words:

- 'com' which means 'with'
- 'passion' which can sometimes mean 'suffering'

Compassion therefore means being with someone who is suffering or sad, trying to understand how they might be feeling and showing that you care about them.

What do you think might have happened to the boy to make him feel so sad?



What do you think the girl might be saying to show compassion?

A Prayer for Compassion and Kindness

Lord Jesus,

During your life on earth you showed compassion and kindness to so many people who were suffering and unhappy.

Thank you for people who have shown compassion and kindness to us and given us the courage to keep going even when times were tough.

Remind us this week, when we put on our school uniform, to put on the attitudes of compassion and kindness in all that we do.



"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3.12

We talked about putting on the attitudes of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

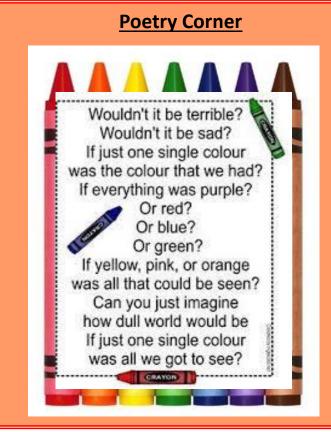
School Dinners

Children in Year R, 1 and 2 are entitled to a 'universal' free school meal everyday.

Children in Years 3-6 are charged at £2.35 per day.

Baguettes now available on Tuesdays and Thursdays (ham, cheese or tuna)

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Mac Cheese	Pizza	Roast Turkey	Bolognese	Fish fingers
Option 2	Veggie Sausage	Chicken Pie	Vegan Casserole	Veggie Bol	Quorn dippers
Dessert	Choc Sponge	Ice Cream	Oat Cookie	Apple Crumble	Lemon slice





Each week we will include a mini grammar or spelling lesson so you know what your children are learning!

Punctuation—Exclamation Marks



Reminders

- All long hair should be tied back in school colours
- The one-way system is still in operation. Children can be dropped off at the front or back gates.
- Our school gates are open 8:20am 8:25am and from 2:40pm
- No branded (Adidas, Nike etc) clothing items permitted
- Packed lunches should not contain chocolate items or any food containing nuts
- Please ensure all items of clothing are named
- Jumpers and cardigans should be NAVY blue
- Trousers or shorts should be grey
- PE shorts/leggings/skorts/tracksuit bottoms should be navy
- Shirts should be tucked in
- If your child is **late**, a suitable reason must be provided
- In the mornings, if you have any messages that you would like to pass onto your child's teacher, please let Mrs Jones, Mrs Lennon or Mrs Pelosi know, or email your child's class teacher. This will enable the teachers to greet every child individually in the morning to increase their sense of belonging and to start their day in a positive, welcoming way.
- Only water should be in water bottles.

Attendance Matters!



Week Commencing 14th November Whole School attendance target: **96.5%**

Actual Attendance: 91.67%
Late marks this week: 2

Please make sure that you have filled out the survey regarding

Flu immunisations

Please find the link below for the online consent form:

https://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/solent-iow-flu

If this does not open, please copy and paste the link above into your internet browser.

Once you click START you will then be prompted for the Unique School LEA Code which is:

118192

The consent will close 17/11/22 prior to the school session 22/11/2022.

If you submit consent after this time your child will be unable to be given the vaccination in school.



5 Ways to Wellbeing



Connect: Send that text you've been meaning to send to a loved one OR write a letter!

<u>Be active</u>: Start the Couch 2 5k programme: https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/exercise/running-and-aerobic-exercises/get-running-with-couch-to-5k/

Give: https://www.iwradio.co.uk/isle-of-wight-radio-toy-appeal-2022/



Take notice: https://www.mindful.org/daily-mindful-walking-practice/

Keep Learning: https://alison.com/courses - free online courses

Golden Book

Bumble Bees	Georgia - super Maths work. Bram - super reading.		
	Meadow - for being a super learning partner.		
Honey Bees	Reuben - for the most fantastic learning behaviours and		
	helping others. Sammy - for working hard and writing		
	beautifully in English.		
Ivy Bees	Max C - for the effort he has put into improving his		
	handwriting.		
Bob-Bee	Henry - for ALWAYS demonstrating our school values and		
(Bee-haviour)	being kind and helpful.		
Sports Bee	Nico, Alfie L, Poppy L and Devon for demonstrating School		
	Games Values. All of Reception and Year 1 for an excellent PE		
	lesson.		

















Key dates this term

- Monday 21st November: Hive Day
- Tuesday 22nd November: Flu programme
- Friday 25th November: BSA Mufti Day for tombola prizes
- Friday 2nd December: Christmas Disco and Mini Market
- Monday 5th December: Y3/4 trip to Butser Ancient Farm
- Thursday 8th December: Christmas Jumper Day
- Tuesday 13th December: Nativity (afternoon) TBC
- Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Dinner Day
- Wednesday 14th December: Nativity (evening) TBC

Looking ahead:

- Friday 16th December: School closed for staff development day
- Thursday 20th July: School closed for staff development day
- Friday 21st July: School closed for staff development day



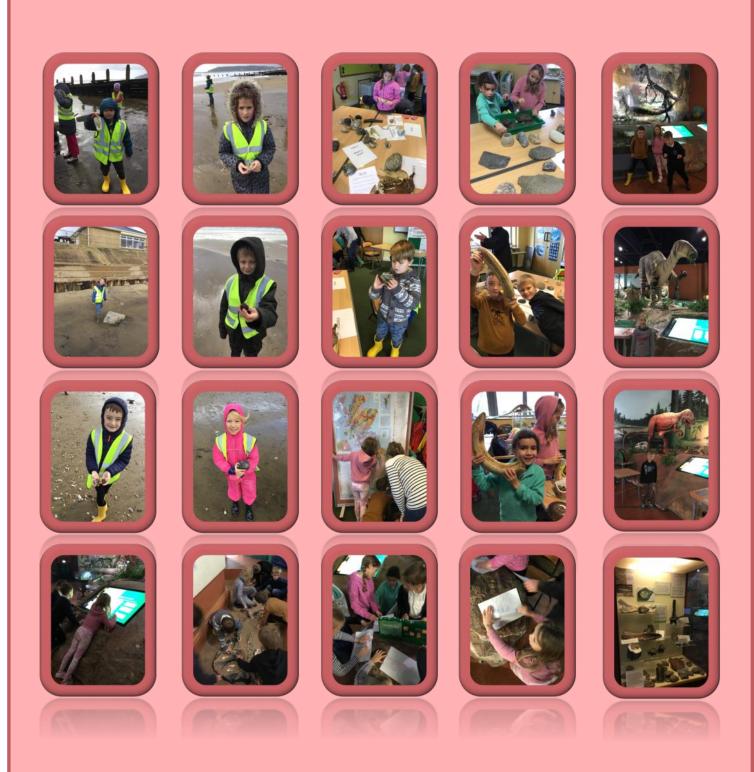


Y3 Visit to Dinosaur Isla

We had a fantastic time at Dinosaur Isle (despite the weather!) and even managed a beach walk. We came across lots of different types of rocks and fossils, including igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks. We even found a metamorphic rock on the beach that must have been transported here via a dinosaur! We learned that dinosaurs would eat stones to help grind down their food and then they would deposit the rocks on the Isle of Wight via their poo!



Y3 Visit to Dinosaur Isle



Reception and Washing

Sophie and Brodie from the School Nurse team came in today to talk to YR about washing our hands. They gave 3 children some (pretend) germs and then we did high fives and shook hands with each other and could see the germs spreading. Even the other two children were soon covered in germs! Then we washed our hands using the 8 steps of hand washing, and Dadah! No more germs!













Children in Need



Day













































SCHOOL ASSOCIATION





Mufti Day

Friday 25th November

HELPING THE BIG THINGS HAVE clothes /sports clothes (if you have pe) please bring in an item that you would like to find in a Christmas

Hamper

Your items will then be made up into hampers for our Christmas Raffle







The name in professional Music Education for the Isle of Wight Inspiring Young Lives Through Music



Dear Parents/Carers/Scho

We would like to thank all schools, parents and pupils for their support and dedication in the provision of music tuition this year. We have worked hard with schools to ensure safety of all parties, working in line with Covid Government guidelines and are delighted that in the majority of cases lessons have taken place as normal successfully. It really has been wonderful to be back in schools and helping pupils enjoy and continue with their musical development.

We have continued to provide a small number of online lessons, attend the majority of schools in person and have welcomed a number of new tutors to our Cooperative which is a reflection of the positive uptake of music following lock down. We are currently looking at setting up some after school clubs and some of our tutors may be available for continuation of lessons during the holidays so please do stay in touch and let us know if we can support you moving forward.

Mrs Helen Forster has spaces available for STRING lessons in September

For any enquiries please contact our administrator Sammi Vine at office@iwmt.org.uk

You can also visit our Facebook page at - https://www.facebook.com/wightmusictuition



Mr Carr has spaces available if any children wish to learn the guitar.

To sign up please go to www.iwmt.org.uk and simply fill out an application

form.

Lessons are fun, rewarding and really help build children's confidence and boost self esteem.

Isle of Wight Music Hub Groups



Songwriting Club - Learn to write songs and develop your style in a friendly environment

When: First Wednesday of the month, 4.00 - 5.30

Carisbrooke Church Hall, Carisbrooke High Street, PO30 1NR Where:

Cost: £8 per session

Age range: 10 - 16

Led by: Starling Songwriters - https://www.starlingsongwriters.co.uk/

Sign up:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfTrV6G3C5sEBsU0pza6MxC6PiQhcb6eW4FHODr8MQa

Music Club - Opportunities to develop your creative musical skills

When: Last Friday of the month

Where: Ryde Aspire, Trinity Buildings, Dover Street Ryde PO33 2BN

Cost: Free Age range: 12 - 17 Led by: Em Johnson

For further information please call 01983 716020

Saturday Rock School - Contemporary instrumental lessons with opportunities to develop musical

repertoire and perform

Saturday mornings, 2 hour blocks running from 9.30 Platform One, 48 Dodnor Lane, Newport, PO30 5XD When: Where:

Cost: £120 for 15 weeks

Age range: 11 - 16

rockschool@platformone.org Sign up:

Music Centre – ensemble playing opportunities for players of all ages and abilities

Saturday morning, 10.00 - 12.00 When: Where: Cowes Enterprise College Cost: £35 a term (£105 per academic year)

music@iowmusichub.org Sign up:

String Group:

Pre-grade 1 - grade 3 Standard:

Ruth Edgerton Led by:

Wind Band: (For woodwind, brass and percussion players)

Standard:

Donna Brihmani and Indra Riches Led by:

Music Centre Satellite Groups

String Group

When: Mondays during term time

Where: Room behind Godshill Methodist Church, High Street, Godshill, PO38 3HZ

Standard: Grade 1 - 3, 5.00 - 6.00pm, Grade 4 +, 5.00 - 6.30pm

As for Music Centre Cost: Led by: Helen Foster

music@iowmusichub.org Sign up:



CHRISTMAS CONCERTS & SERVICES AT ST MARY'S BRIGHSTONE 2022 DATE TIME CHOIR/MUSICIANS CONTACT **EVENT** REFRESHMENTS **HELPERS** DONATIONS CHURCH NEEDED BELLS NOV Belles, Barnacles, Hand Chris B, Crispin, CONCER YES Village/Horticultural MOUNTBATTE YES 27™ 7.00 pm bells, Sorella Acapella -Mike C, Yvonne Society? HOSPICE mixture of repertoire + carols DEC CONCER Trident Concert Band Miriam 741061 YES Will do own BAND + 10th 7.30 pm NO CHURCH Stars of Wonder - Youth Pete 247515 CONCER SWAY + others 7.00 pm YES SWAY + NO 11th Orientated **CHARITY?** (Shorwell) - West Wight MOUNTBATTE 14th 7.00 on James Longford + CONCER YES Will do own choir **Chrissie Acland** N HOSPICE **Methodist Chapel** 18th 10.30 am Mike Hackleton SERVICE YES Will do own CHAPEL 18th 4.00 pm (Shorwell) 4th Advent Carols Barbara + Linda SERVICE YES Will do own CHURCH of Praise - Choir Bushell ringers 22nd 6.00 pm **Crown Inn Shorwell** Jackie + Linda CAROL Buy own Will do own **CRISIS** SINGING 23rd 7.00 pm 9 Readings, Songs & Carols Jackie Maw SERVICE YES Women in the word TEARFUND + YES - soloists, choir, readers CHURCH 24th 4 pm **Crib Carols** Jackie Maw SERVICE YES The Sunday team* HOME FOR YES *Sharon & GOOD Norma



In aid of Mountbatten Hospice Sunday 27th November At 7pm in ST MARY'S CHURCH BRIGHSTONE

A feast of music with the Brighstone Belles, Brighstone Barnacles, Sorella Acapella & St Mary's Hand Bells

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE DURING THE INTERVAL

FREE ENTRY—RETIRING COLLECTION

Heating on low please dress warmly!



Community Lantern Making 'Houses'

Come and make a house shaped lantern to take part in the lantern parade at Merry and Bright, in Ryde, on Friday 16th December.

During the session you will create the willow frame, cover it with tissue and glue and decorate it with windows and other details. Everyone welcome, families and individuals, no prior experience needed.





Saturday 26th November 11am - 2pm Ryde Methodist Church Hall 14 Garfield Road, Ryde, PO35 2PT

£5 per lantern

Places are limited Booking essential email gemma@thenewcarnivalcompany.com or call 01983 716095





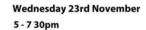
Lantern Leaders

Free Workshop

Become a lantern leader and learn how to successfully plan, prepare and deliver lantern making workshops for your community or school. You can then take part in our Merry and Bright Lantern Parade in Ryde, Friday 16th December.

This one off session is suitable for complete beginners or for existing leader who want to refresh their skills.





The Coaching House 13 Union Road Ryde PO33 2ER

Free Training Booking Essential

To book, or for more information, please contact:

Gemma Mallinson Tel: 01983 716095 gemma@thenewcarnivalcompany.com





Supported by

ARTS COUNCIL

ENGLAND





Play Junior Rugby



Boys and Girls

New players welcome!

Teams and age groups

Under 6s (Year 1) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 7s (Year 2) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 8s (Year 3) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11.00

Under 9s (Year 4) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.00

Under 10s (Year 5) -Venue SSRFC (Sandown) Fridays 16:15-17:30

Under 11s (Year 6)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.30

Under 12s (Year 7)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10.00-11.30

"Please note there may be slight changes to times when the season starts

Extra spaces now available in U7s and U12s.

Sessions are all delivered by experienced coaches with first aid qualifications and DBS Checks.

Cost is £55 for the whole season. First 2 sessions free.

Register your interest at www.vectisrugby.co.uk or email:

vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com

IT'S BACK!!!

BRIGHSTONE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

CHILDREN'S MINI CHRISTMAS TREE COMPETITION







Mini trees available in Brighstone Community Library during November

£3.00 to enter the competition (includes free tree)

Simply take your tree home, decorate it and return
It to Brighstone Community Library by

Thursday 1st December, In time to go on display in the library during December

Prizes for the winners.

Collect you tree from Brighstone Community Library, North Street, Brighstone PO30 4AX



Library Opening Hours Tuesdays 9.30 - 12.30 Thursdays 1.30 - 4.00

Saturdays 10.00 - 4.00

For more information ring the library 740446 or email brighstonecomunitylibrary@hotmail.co.uk



Hello, is it you we're looking for?

Family life can be a challenge. Could you be a home visiting volunteer and help a family with young children in your area?

How much time do I need to give? Most home visitors give a couple of hours each week.

Where would it be? At the family home

What does it involve? The role is varied as every family is different. A Home-Start volunteer is a helping hand and a listening ear. Your time with the family could include:

- Talking and listening
- · Having fun with children
- Supporting families to get out and about
- Practical help

Do I need any special skills or experience? Non-judgemental with an understanding of the challenges of family life, kind and compassionate, great organisational skills, practical, enthusiastic. Most volunteers have parenting or caring experience, for everything else, full training is provided. Training is a combination of online and face to face sessions. All volunteers receive regular support from a named co-ordinator.

All home visiting volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS check and references are required.

For more information or an application form please email admin@homestartiow.org call 01983 533357, or visit our website www.homestartisleofwight.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you

Hello, is it you we're looking for?

Becoming a new parent can be a challenge and at Home-Start we know the value of supporting parents as early as possible. We are looking for, Bumps & Babies home visiting volunteers in your area?

How much time do I need to give? Most home visitors give a couple of hours each week.

Where would it be? At the family home

What does it involve? The role is varied as every family is different. A Home-Start volunteer is a helping hand and a listening ear. Your time with the family could include:

- Talking and listening
- Helping parents feel more prepared for parenthood
- Practical help & emotional support before baby comes along
- Supporting parents to feel more confident
- Practical help & emotional support after baby is born
- Supporting parents to get out and about
- Cuddling a baby!

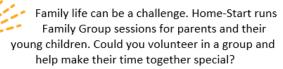
Do I need any special skills or experience? Non-judgemental with an understanding of the challenges of family life, kind and compassionate, great organisational skills, practical, enthusiastic. Most volunteers have parenting or caring experience, for everything else, full training is provided. Training is a combination of online and face to face sessions. All volunteers receive regular support from a named co-ordinator.

All home visiting volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS check and references are

For more information or an application form please email admin@homestartiow.org call 01983 533357, or visit our website www.homestartisleofwight.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you

Hello, is it you we're looking for?



How much time do I need to give? Group sessions are 2 hours each week during

Where would it be? Groups take place in Newport, Ryde, East Cowes & Shanklin

What does it involve? A Home-Start Family Group volunteer is a helping hand and a listening ear. Working alongside the Family Group staff you will:

- · Provide a warm welcome to parents & children
- Support children to enjoy the fun activities on offer
- Help with setting up and packing away
- Offer a listening ear to parents who need time to talk
- Give practical help to parents with more than one child to give them the
 opportunity to spend 1:1 time with each of their children

Do I need any special skills or experience? Non-judgemental with an understanding of the challenges of family life, kind and compassionate, practical, enthusiastic, creative, an understanding of child development would be an advantage and most importantly a willingness to join in with the singing! Most volunteers have parenting or caring experience, for everything else, full training is provided.

All Family Group volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS check and references are required.

For more information or an application form please email admin@homestartiow.org call 01983 533357, or visit our website www.homestartisleofwight.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you



WELCOMING WARM SPACE

Apire Ryde, Dover Street, Ryde, PO33 2BN We are opening our doors to offer a free, warm spaces for people to drop in to during the winter months.

Tuesday to Friday Mornings 10 until 2

opportunities to socialise or simply There will be Tea and Coffee and light meals available as well as read and relax



Charity Number: 1163336



ASP RE

FOR FULL DETAILS www.tapnellfarm.com/play

