

Brighstone C.E.

Learning and Achieving Through Love, **Courage and Respect**

Dear parents, carers and children,

Welcome back! I hope you managed to have a good half term, with chances to spend time with friends and family. One of the best bits of my job is to see everyone's smiling faces when I stand at the gate every morning. I also love leading Golden Worship and seeing the achievements for that week, as well as popping into classes to see all the great learning taking place. Often, when I'm sitting at my desk, a little face will appear in the doorway. This will be one of the children wanting to share some news with me, ask me a question, or show me some of their work. This always brightens up my day!

You will notice a few more little changes to the Cosy Cabin. Over half term, I framed some of the children's artwork that they gave me, and Mr Freeman, our caretaker, put them up on the walls (I have some spare frames for any further artwork from children, both created in school or at home). Mr Freeman has also put Perspex over the windows to make it a little bit cosier in there. A new sign for over the door is in the process of being designed and made, and once it is all finished, the EARA group will introduce it in assembly and we will have a grand opening. Watch this space!

We are currently collecting spare textiles, clothing etc... to help with the Syrian-Turkey earthquake appeal, through Astra Recycling. These will be collected separately; see the advert in this week's Buzz. Thank you in advance for your generosity.





At the beginning of the week, we all celebrated Shrove Tuesday. We held Hive pancake races (using rubber PE markers instead of pancakes for longevity purposes), and lots of fun was had by all! See photos on our Facebook page. This was followed by our Ash Wednesday service in St Mary's Church, which was led by Rev Jackie and Peter.

Children and adults had the option of receiving the ash cross on their foreheads, the Y6 SLT children said prayers, and we heard about the story of Lent, where Jesus was in the desert for 40 days and 40 nights. Thank you to Jackie and Peter, as well as the parents and grandparents, who came along. See photos on our Facebook page.

Yesterday, you will have received a letter about next week's planned NEU strike day on Thursday 2nd March. At the time of writing I don't have enough information to know if we will close, partially close or remain open for all classes, but I will of course let you know as soon as I am able to. I thank you for your understanding during this uncertainty.

This year, we will be holding our World Book Day on Friday 3rd March instead of Thursday 2nd, and the children were very excited to find out in Golden Worship this morning that we will be wearing pyjamas all day for our theme of 'Cosy Up With a Book'. This is in return for a donation to the charity. All children will also receive a £1 book token, and we will be holding a second hand book sale after school in the playground (donations from the book sale will go towards purchasing new books for the school library). See the email sent out yesterday, as well as the poster in this week's Buzz, for more information about the day itself.

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Today, we held a one minute's silence to mark the first anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, and to pay tribute to the courage and bravery of our Ukrainian friends.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

With best wishes, Mrs Lennon and the Brighstone Team



This week's Collective Worship theme is Forgiveness: Wiping the slate clean

Christians believe that when they say sorry to God for the wrong things they have done, He forgives them completely and gives them a new start, a clean slate.

What does forgiveness mean to you?

Have you ever had to forgive someone? Why?



Have you ever been forgiven for something that you did?

Teaspoon (TSP) Prayer

Dear Lord

Thank you that you offer forgiveness to all, through Jesus

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Sorry for the times when we have been slow to say sorry to others or not quick enough to forgive

Please help us to ask for forgiveness when we make a mistake and to accept an apology kindly.

"Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive others." Colossians 3.13





UKRAINE

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 £2.55 per day. Baguettes now available on Tuesdays and Thursdays instead of JPs (ham, cheese or tuna)

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pesto pasta bake	Sausage and mash	Roast pork	Spaghetti Bolognese	Fish fingers
Option 2	Tomato pasta	Tomato pasta	Vegetable pastry roll	Veggie Bolognese	Veggie burger
Dessert	Ice cream	Fruity flapjack bar	Jelly with fruit slices	Chocolate shortbread	Crispy crackle bar

Poetry Corner

Whether The Weather Be Fine

Whether the weather be fine Or whether the weather be not, Whether the weather be cold Or whether the weather be hot, We'll weather the weather Whatever the weather, Whether we like it or not.

Anonymous British



Safeguarding

If you have a concern about a child you can call the police on 999 if you feel they are at risk of immediate harm

Contact us: safeguarding@brighstoneprimary.org.uk Speak with our DSL Mrs Jones in the school office You can contact the NSPCC:

Contact the NSPCC Helpline

If you have any concerns at all about a child's safety or wellbeing, don't hesitate to contact us.

Call us or email help@nspcc.org.uk

0808 800 5000

Find out more

Or call children's services 0300 300 0117

Grammar and Spelling Matters

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

Double negatives

A double negative is when two negative words appear in a single clause. Although the two negative words are usually intended to convey a single negative thought, in reality, one negative plus another negative equals a positive. If a clause includes two negative words, one of them should be removed.

"I **didn't** do **nothing**." **X** There are two negatives in this sentence, so the resulting meaning is that he did do something.

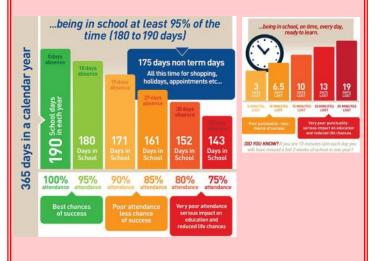


Attendance Matters!

Week Commencing 20th February Whole School attendance target: **96.5%**

Actual Attendance: 94.4%

Late marks this week: 5







"Supporting the mental health and wellbeing of young islanders and their families"

https://www.iowyouthtrust.co.uk

The Isle of Wight Youth Trust has recently been awarded the contract as the sole provider of under 18 counselling services by the Hampshire, Southampton and Isle of Wight Integrated Commissioning Board from April 2023.

This means the Talk 2 Counselling Service, currently provided by Barnardo's, will be integrated into the services provided by the Isle of Wight Youth Trust.

Barnardo's and the Isle of Wight Youth Trust have long worked together to deliver services to children, young people and families. We will continue to work closely together to ensure that the transition of the Talk 2 service to the Youth Trust has minimal impact on those who use both services. This process will take place during February and March 2023.



Young people, parents/carers and/or professionals can access help and support from their website.

Golden Book

Bumble Bee	Mykola—for always giving 100% focus in RWI and for excellent progress. William—for good listening and following instructions. Alice—for bravely trying mango for the first time.
Honey Bee	Poppy J, Ila, Izzy and Iris—for fantastic teamwork in DT. Ila—an extra well done for her reading test result. Myles—super concentration in Science, and naming the bones in the human skeleton.
lvy Bee	Amelia—for being a fantastic teacher in Computing.
Sports Bee	Freddie K and Martha—for fantastic orienteering work during PE.



News from the Classrooms

Ivy Bee class

Last half term, Ivy Bee Class had quite an Islamic focus to their work: in RE they explored the concept of "belonging", considering the physical and emotional ways in which they show how they belong to various groups and organisations, then comparing these to how Muslim children felt about their faith.

In Art, the class looked at Islamic art and architecture, while in History, they have been learning about the "House of Wisdom" - a library and university in ancient Baghdad whose scholars influenced scientists and doctors across Europe and the impact of their discoveries are still felt in the modern world today.

As a way of discovering and sharing information they learnt about, the class was challenged to a "balloon debate". What if all of the Islamic academics were in a faulty hot air balloon? Who would they save or discard to stop the balloon crashing? In groups, they wrote persuasive speeches explaining the key points about their scholar.

These were presented to both the class and our friend and guest Mr Bahar (who came to speak to us about Islam during Inter Faith Week). Once all the speeches had been heard, we had two rounds of voting and finally Al-Razi (an 8th century doctor who wrote over 200 books on medicine and set up hospitals in a way we would still recognise today,) presented by Caspar, Felicity and Lauren, was voted the overall winner.

After that, we shared our RE work with Mr Bahar and he happily answered our questions and filled in gaps within our knowledge. We asked him "How does he know he belongs to Islam?" He described how his faith made him feel included, protected and supported.

Mr Bahar thoroughly enjoyed his time in class with us and we really enjoyed talking and listening to him.







News from the Classroom⁵

Honey Bee class

In DT, we have been making structures with midget gems and cocktail sticks. We had to make them sturdy so they didn't fall over.

















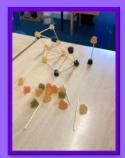


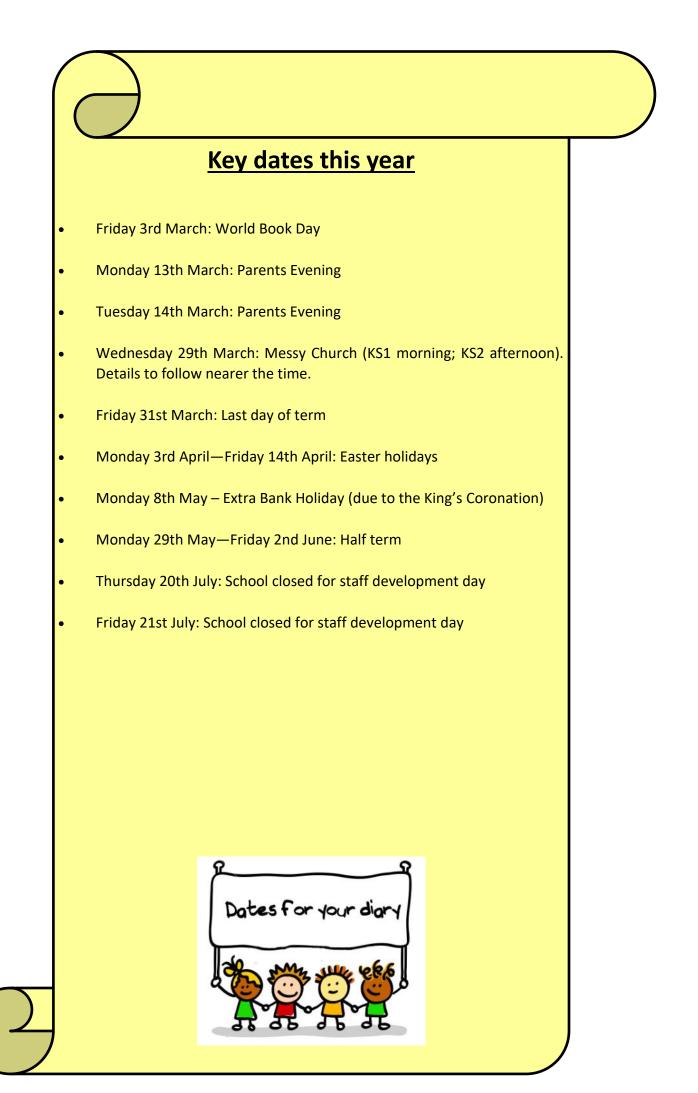
















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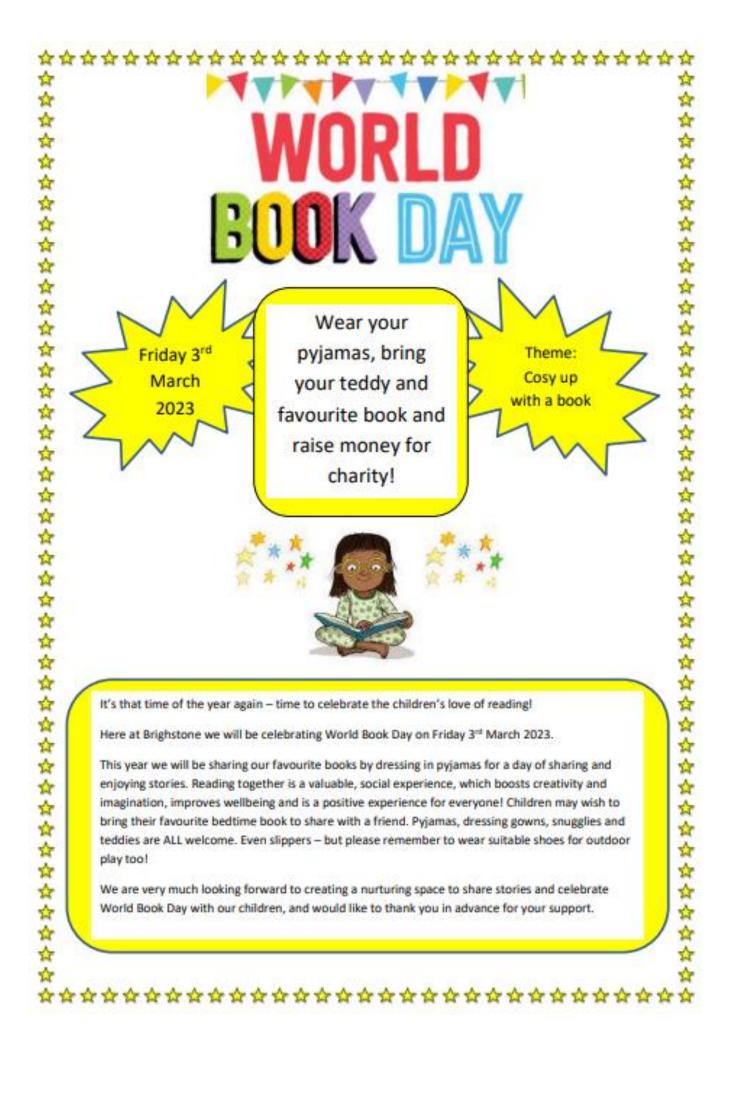
JP HELP IS NOT Sunday

We have the opportunity to run the Tea/cake stall at the garden opening @ Northcourt. This is a great fundrasier for us, and we have raised over 1K before.

However, we know the date clashes with the festival.

If you can commit to helping run the teas on this date can you let the BSA know by 3rd March.

If we can not get enough helpers we will unfortunately have to turn down this opportunity.



Sharing stories together

Children love spending time looking at books with adults. It makes a big difference to their futures to **spend 10 minutes a day sharing a story**. There are no right or wrong ways to read out loud but sometimes it can be tricky to know where to begin. Here are a few tips and ideas to get you started:



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• I wonder...

Ask open questions about how characters are feeling or what might happen next or why things are in the illustration.

Bring the book to life... Make faces, use voices, include actions – have fun together!

- That reminds me of... Make personal connections.
- What have you seen there? Follow their interests.
- That's made me feel... Let your child know how the events of the story have affected you.
- Oo look at that! Let them know what you have noticed.
- Again, again... Re-reading is a great source of comfort for children- and a chance to spot things that you didn't see first time round. Challenge yourself to spot something new each time.

This guide is based on the work of The Open University. For further tips and advice on how to enjoy sharing and reading stories together, visit their website here for helpful videos and resources.





Changing lives through a love of books and shared reading.

World Book Day is a registered charity funded by publishers and booksellers in the UK & Ireland.



Attitude Youth Group: Friday, 10th February,

School Years 7 to Year 11

South Wight Area Youth (SWAY) are inviting you to join in with our next Attitude Youth Group. There are fun activities, table tennis, games and chance to meet up with friends. Marie Willis (Youth Worker), Olivia, Jacob and Peter Johnson will be there to welcome you.

Tuck is available

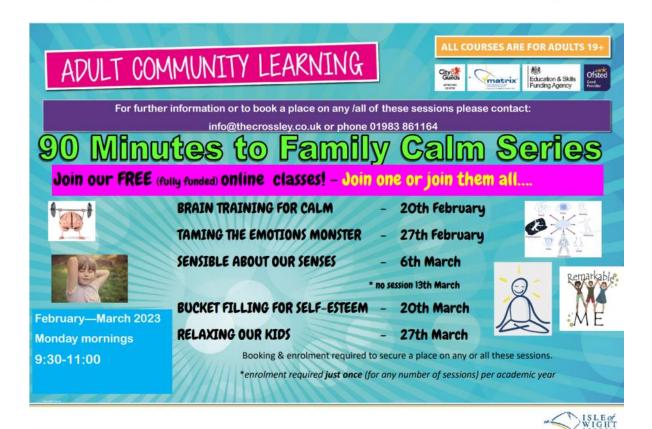
7pm-8:30pm at Shorwell Village Hall, Russell Road, Shorwell, PO30 3JT

No need to book. If you live in the South Wight villages, it will be great to see you there. Any questions please contact Catherine at the SWAY Office on 07880951243.

To find out more about SWAY visit : https://www.southwightyouth.org/ or

https://www.facebook.com/Southwightyouth

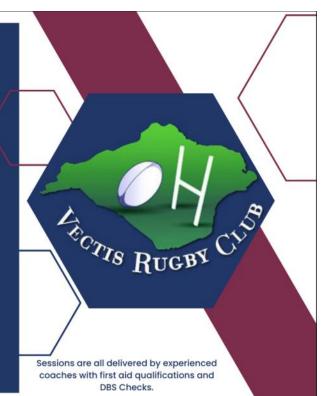
Older siblings of Brighstone Primary School pupils (in school years from Year 7 to Year 11) who live in the South Wight villages of Chale, Brighstone and Shorwell, are also welcome and invited to join this local Attitude youth group; a welcoming, fun and safe place to meet and make friends. Currently Attitude is being held once a month



PLAY JUNIOR RUGBY

Vectis Rugby club have spaces open in our Under 8s (Year 3) and Under 12s (Year 7). *Every Sunday at IWRFC in Wootton at 10am.* First two session are free Email for more information

Email: vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com www.vectisrugby.co.uk



Sandown Soccer Love The Game INTRODUCING OUR SANDOWN SOCCER **GIRLS ONLY FOOTBALL SESSION! OUR FUN SESSION WILL BE:** WHEN: Every Wednesday. 5pm to 6pm WHERE: The Bay CE Primary School, Sandown COST: £4 for the 1 hour session To Book: Text your child's name, school, year group and parent name to 07594 389531



"really great children's theatre" Exeunt on We're Stuck!

TUE 4 APR, 2PM Quay Arts Centre

Sea Street, Newport Harbour, Isle of Wight, PO30 2EF Book your tickets: 01983 822490 quayarts.org



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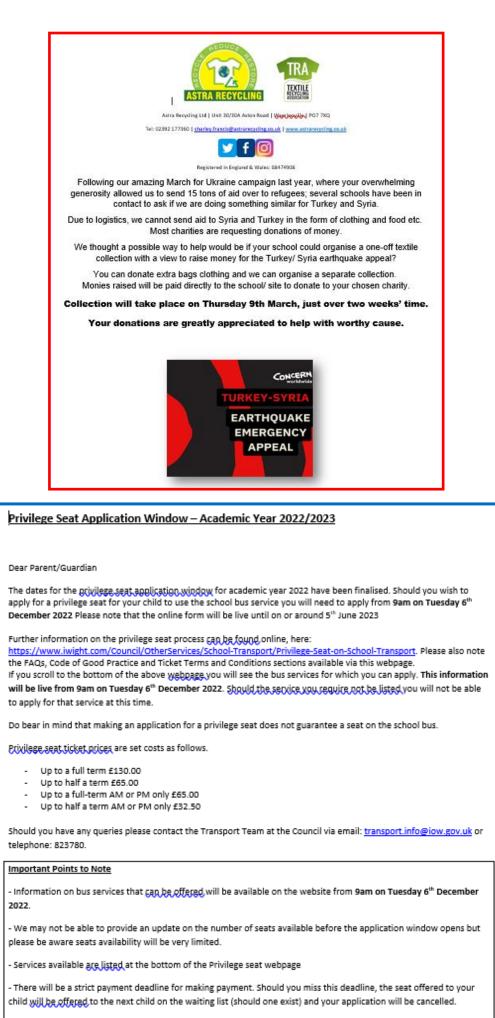


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Once applications have been processed by the Transport Jeam you will be able to see the status of your application online as well as make payment without having to contact the Council.



ISLE OF WIGHT HELP WITH THE

COST OF LIVING

01983 823134 iow.gov.uk/costofliving

General help and support

Citizens Advice IW can give free help with money issues and much more. C 0800 144 88 48 or Textphone on 18001 0800 144 8884 www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk

Debts and paying bills

- Citizens Advice Money team.
- 01983 823898 ext: 2825
- debtenquiries@iwcab.org.uk
- www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk/money-advice-team

Buying food

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Connect4communities

Support including food vouchers, getting weather appropriate clothing (directly with your school) and more. connect4communities@iow.gov.uk www.connect4communities.org

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Benefits

Check whether you are getting all the benefits you can.

Citizens Advice Help to Claim line.

0800 144 8444

www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators

Energy bills

The Footprint Trust give guidance on energy bills, efficiency and grants. 01983 822282

☑ info@footprint-trust.co.uk

www.footprint-trust.co.uk

Pension Credit

If you are of State Pension age you may be entitled to Pension Credit. If you get Pension Credit you can get other benefits. C 0800 99 1234 or Textphone on 0800 169 0133

www.gov.uk/pension-credit

Paying for broadband and mobile phone

Social tariffs are available if you're on a low income. www.ofcom.org.uk/cheap-broadband

Feeling lonely

The Living Well and Early Help Partnership works on the Island to connect people. 01983 240732

reception@lweh.org.uk

www.lweh.org.uk

In a crisis

If you have no money for food, gas and electricity you may be able to get emergency help. 01983 823859

www.iow.gov.uk/HelpThroughCrisis

Other useful contacts

🖈 www.helpforhouseholds.gov.uk

📶 www.islefindit.org.uk

www.gov.uk/helpforhouseholds

Cost of living information from Isle of Wight Council w.gov.uk/costofliving 01983 823134

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For more information please go to

https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcom munities

https://www.islefindit.org.uk/advice-pages/help-through-crisis

Help Through Crisis (HTC) aims to assist Island residents who are in genuine hardship, enabling them to access help quickly. There is a limited fund to provide help with food, gas and electricity. This can only be offered to those in the most need and as a last resort. No cash can be given but help will be provided to find other sources of assistance. We will do our best to help but we cannot give assistance in all circumstances. If you would like to apply please complete the form or call (01983) 823859,

From the Isle of Wight NHS Trust

We are offering the following Children's COVID Vaccination Clinics for Years 5-11 and Years 12-15. Appointments must be booked in advance using the National Booking Service, we are unable to offer walk-ins.

Please note that these will take place in the Children's Outpatients Department, North Hospital, St Mary's and NOT the Hospital Vaccine Hub. Accessible parking is available in the North Car Park.

For information about eligibility and how to book your Child's vaccination, please use the online link below, you will need your child's NHS number: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirusvaccination/

All vaccines offered will be the Pfizer (Compress 10) for 5-11 years or Pfizer (Compress 30) for 12-15 years.

Child Vaccine Doses Offered: For children 5-11 years - 1st dose and 2nd dose only.

For children 12-15 years - 1" dose and 2" dose. A 3rd dose is offered if your child is at high risk because of a health condition or because of a weakened immune system, or [gidgs with someone who has a weakened immune system.

Children's Clinics in February: Thursday 27 February 2023, 08:00 – 11:00

Children's Clinics in March: Thursday 09 March 2023,08:00 – 11:00 Thursday 30 March 2023,08:00 – 11:00

Children aged over 16 who require a 1st, 2nd dose or eligible for a 3st dose, are welcome to 'walk-in' to the St Mary's Hospital Vaccine Hub in South Block, opposite the Duck Pond, on Mondays AND Thursdays 07:40 – 13:00

For any other information regarding Children's vaccination clinics, please email the Hospital Vaccine Hub Team: iownt.vaccine-hub@nhs.net.

Celebrate International Women's Day

with Adult Community Learning (adults 19+), and bring a child over the age of 10yrs with you to our workshop morning, on Sunday 5 March 10am-12pm. Choose between weaving your own beautiful unique piece of wall art, using mixed media and personal items, or create a colourful keyring (heart, flower etc) and hopefully you'll never lose your keys again!

Workshops take place at The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde and cost £10/£5 concession per person (child pays £5). Booking is essential, to book an adult and child place please call 817280, or adults 19+ only can book via our website www.iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses

INTERSCHOOL TEAM DRESSAGE FRIDAY 24th March 2023

Little Kennerley Farm, Godshill

By kind permission of Dawn and Hayley Webster



It will be run over four sections:

Primary Schools	BD Intro B or BD Prelim Test 2	
Secondary Schools	BD Prelim Test 13 or BD Novice Test 24	

The entry fee is £8 per rider. Entries need to be sent to Karen Begley at Carisbrooke College. Payment by cheque, cash or bacs . Cheques need to be made payable to Medina College. Bacs payments to Medina College Fund Account, Sort code 30-95-99, Account number 33699968.

It is open to teams of 4 (with best three scores counting) and individuals.

Entries close on Friday 17th March. Times will be emailed to schools and put on the Isle of Wight Horse Community Facebook Page on Monday 20th March

A representative of the school will need to accompany the team and be responsible for them during the competition. Please make sure that your school has insurance that will cover extra curricular activities (including horse riding) .

If you require any further information please contact Karen Begley at Carisbrooke College 524651 or karen.begley@iwef.org.uk

FRIDAY 21st April 2023

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Primary Schools	Led/unled	9" to 12"	
	Unled	18" to 2'	
Secondary Schools	Section A	2'3" to 2'6"	
	Section B	2'6" to 2'9"	

We will be running under Pony Club rules:

Knockdown 4 faults

 First disobedience 4 faults Second disobedience 8 faults

Third disobedience Elimination

Error of Course Elimination

Fall of Horse or Rider Elimination

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Sunday 14 May 2023 **Registration opens 1 March!**

We invite you to join us on

PALM SUNDAY, 2nd April

for a procession starting from the Three Bishops car park at 10:00am (or join in along the way) for a walk around the village with a donkey (courtesy of the IW Donkey Sanctuary).

Route will go down the footpath to Wilberforce Road, up to Sirenia Close and back through the recreation ground.

We will finish at Brighstone & Shorwell Methodist Church for a service at 10:30am, or you can continue to St Marys Church for a service at 11:00am.



