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Queensgate Foundation
Primary School



Many Visitors to Queensgate Next Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Meet the Teacher

It has been good to welcome you on site to meet your child's teacher this week. We have one left to do. If you have a child in Reception, either with Mrs Barnett or Miss Jenkins, we would like to invite you to Meet the Teacher on Wednesday 15th September at 9:15 am. Please drop your child as normal and then come back at 9:15 am. Please come through the main entrance.

Visitors in School Next Week

On **Monday**, we have our first full Governing Board meeting, although Governors were also in school this week supporting school development planning too. Please see the advert on page 2.

On **Tuesday**, we have Jenny Burn, who is the new School Improvement Manager for the Isle of Wight visiting Queensgate with Councillor Andre, who is in charge of Education on the Isle of Wight, to talk about various projects and have a tour around our school.

Also on **Tuesday** an organisation, called Naturezones, are visiting us to give us further ideas and support on ways to further develop our site. As you can see, the grass has taken really well at the front of the school and the orange fences will be removed shortly so that staff and children can access all areas.

On **Thursday 16th** Jane Wilson, Debbie Allen and Chris Cheale will be joining our team to work with us as part of our writing project to ensure as many pupils as possible achieve Age Related Expectations in their writing.

Inclusion Assistant Role

Are you interested in joining the Queensgate team? Please refer to the advert on Page 7 for more details.

Year 6 Sailing

The week after next Year 6 have been offered a free sailing session by UKSA. A separate letter has come out this week.

Open Morning

Please spread the news - we have an open morning for new parents on October 14th - see the advert on page 8.



Governors



School governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education.

How can you join Queensgate Governing Body?

Queensgate Foundation Primary School in East Cowes needs you on our Governing Board! Being a school governor is about overseeing how a school is run, making vital decisions about its future, and supporting our families in East Cowes and the surrounding area.

It's about giving something back and making sure our young people access the best opportunities, when it comes to education.

We meet about six times a year, plus some sessions in school. We get to join our teaching staff on site, supporting students' learning.

Accountant, builder, or cardiologist? It's as simple as ABC. Your skills can enhance our team and you don't need a background in education.

We have four vacancies to fill (two co-opted positions and two partnership role). We all have different skill sets and we know you have something to offer that will enhance our team. There are plenty of opportunities for training, plus, we will be here to support your journey.

For a friendly chat and more info email Co Chair Lucy Curran on: lcurran@queensgateprimary.co.uk

To apply, visit <https://www.queensgateprimary.co.uk/our-school/governor-vacancies> complete the application form and email it to the Clerk to Governors Angela Selle at:

admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk .

Alternatively, if you know someone in the community who can contribute to the Governing Board please speak to them and nominate them.

Please apply by **Friday 17th September**.

Secondary School Application Date

We have been informed by County Hall that the letter given to all Year 6 students on the information of how to apply for a secondary school place for September 2022, stated that the admissions round opens on Friday 11 September 2020, it actually opens on Friday 10 September 2021.

They apologise for this error.

Walk the Wight

Remember it is Walk the Wight on Sunday raising money for the Mounbatten Hospice. Good luck if you are taking part.



Benji Blog

Benji has stayed with either Mrs Sillito's office or with Miss Turner whilst his new timetable is confirmed. He has settled back into school life well but is keen to get his timetable up and running so he can work with the children!



After School Clubs

Thank you for enrolling with Clubs online it has been a success for us although we appreciate there may be some teething problems. Next time we set Clubs to go live, we will give you two days prior notice along with the time scheduled for it to go live.

Please do not book the same club for your child next half term, we need to be fair and ensure all pupils have an opportunity to attend different clubs. We reserve the right to remove a child from the list if you re-book the same club.

Please only book one club per child per half term. Clubs (unless specified) finish promptly at 4pm.

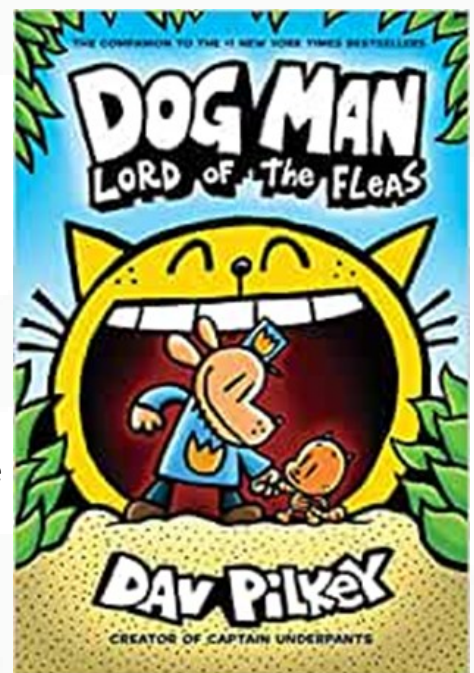
Love reading?

Then try this....

Jude in 4AH has been reading Dog Man – Lord of the Fleas by Dav Pilkey over the summer holidays. He borrowed the book from our school library.

Jude says this book is super good and it made him laugh a lot. Especially when a police officer turns into a dog and has to save the day. There are lots of books in the Dog Man series and Jude is looking forward to reading more. Visit the school library to see which ones we've got.

We'd love to know what you are reading at home. If you have any reading recommendations, please let us know so we can share it here.



Out & About

On Tuesday morning the **1CE Out and About** group went to St Helens beach. Our little Master Chefs had a wonderful time exploring our new sand kitchens, mixing up some tasty treats. The children also had fun exploring the rock pools, paddling in the sea and creating their own mini paddling pools.



The **Year 3 Out and About** team practised their map reading and compass skills as they navigated their way around Firestone Copse on Tuesday afternoon. The children worked well as a team to hunt for orienteering markers around the forest and were all eager to find as many as they could.



This half term Year 4 will be learning about farming and the farming industry on the Island. The **4AH Out and About** children had an amazing tour of Nettlecombe Farm in Whitwell on Wednesday morning. They all loved hand feeding the sheep, goats, cows, donkeys and chickens but especially adored sheep cuddles with Oreo the sheep!



Over the next couple of months the children in Year 2 will be learning about habitats as well as the changing seasons. On Wednesday afternoon the **2GC** 'Out and Abouters' visited Quarr Abbey. We talked about different habitats as we explored the woodland and how the trees will change as Autumn approaches. The children enjoyed seeing the piglets, going inside the Abbey and picking blackberries in the nearby lanes.



Out and About next week...

Please wear play clothes and suitable footwear. Bring a sun hat or waterproof coat with you depending on the weather.

Year 1- 1CE Tuesday am

Going to the beach

Adeline, Esmee, Archie, Bayley, Bonnie, James, Riley, Maddie, Ella, Nimalan, Johnny and Annie

Year 3- 3PT Tuesday pm

Orienteering in the forest

Connor, Eliana, Matthew, Abigail, Florence, Emily H, Tyson, Elsie-May, Logan, Sophia-Leigh, Jack P, Leon S, Liam W, Archie and Leon Y-A.

Year 4- 4AH Wednesday am

Tour of Briddlesford Farm

Su, Harrison, Sophie, Max, Mason, Jacob, Vincent, Maya, Zoe, Sarah, Tommy, Amelia, Sadie, Jude and Grace.

Year 2- 2GC Wednesday pm

Quarr Abbey woods and blackberry picking

Emily-May, Ben, Mia-Rose, Oscar G, Harry, Oscar H, Cooper, Ruben, Jacob, Paloma, Harvey, Fletcher, Tula, River and Rhys.

Year 2- 2KA Wednesday

PE activities during PPA. Please come to school in PE kit

Christopher, Tyler, Lily, Caiden, Dylan, Malaika, Logan E, Logan F, Tilly, Katelyn, Ella R, Freddie, Ella S, Alfie S and Keian-Lee.



What's for dinner next term?

(Remember all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Free School dinners.)



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni Cheese	Allegra's Garlicky Chicken and Spanish Spuds	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
Veggie Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Allegra's Cheesy Peasy Risotto Bake	Butternut Squash and Potato Pastry Slice	Veggie Lasagne served with a Bread Wedge	Soft Taco and Chips
Peas and Carrots	Sweetcorn and Broccoli	Carrots and Cabbage	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Baked Beans and Peas
Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Apple and Carrot Yoghurt Muffic	Strawberry Ice Cream	Chocolate Sponge Cake	Creamy Peach Rice Pudding

Please note that all meals are subject to change due to availability of produce.

Catering job opportunities

Chartwells are the leading school meal providers and we have opportunities across the IOW Schools. We are looking for enthusiastic kitchen assistants to join our various teams, full uniform and training will be provided.

- 10hr a week (2hrs daily) Catering Assistant – Godshill Primary
- 10hr a week (2hrs daily) Catering Assistant – Northwood Primary
- 10hr a week (2hrs daily) Catering Assistant – Bembridge Primary
- 10hr a week (2hrs daily) Catering Assistant – Lanesend Primary
- 10hr a week (2hrs daily) Catering Assistant – St Georges School

Other positions and mobile positions also available.

Interested in becoming a School Cook then please pick the phone up and talk with us.

Job Type: Term Time only
 Position availability: Immediate
 Hourly rates: Upon application

If you are interested, please apply by ringing the IOW office 01983 550500



Queensgate Foundation Primary School



A rare and unique opportunity has arisen!

Queensgate Foundation Primary School is a thriving two-form entry primary school in East Cowes.
The school has had three consecutive "Good" Ofsted inspections since opening.

We are looking for an Inclusion Assistant
30 hours per week. Level 3/Scale pt 7. Actual salary £14,035.17
This will be a permanent position, term time only

We are looking for someone who:

- is a dog lover and will enjoy working with the school dog and children
- has the confidence to run the Early Help Process and support the Inclusion Manager. This will include liaising with outside agencies and leading a variety of meetings when necessary
- has experience of working with children who have additional learning needs
- has patience and a willingness to learn a variety of strategies to support successful access of the environment
- has a child centred ethos
- is self-motivated and able to use their initiative
- is reliable with excellent attendance
- is patient, displays a growth mind set and has the ability to build great relationships
- has an understanding of the impact of speech and language, as well as the social interaction needs upon behaviour – training and working with external agencies would be provided to support the successful candidate

We can offer:

- a very supportive, cheerful and positive staff team
- a leadership team, which keep children at the heart of their decision making
- a new building
- wonderful children and
- A great cocker-poo called Benji!

You are warmly welcomed to visit the school for a tour – please call 01983 292872 to arrange

To apply for this position please check out the Vacancies section on our school website:
www.queensgateprimary.co.uk or contact admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk for an application pack.

Closing date: Thursday 16th September – 12 noon
Interview date: Thursday 23rd September

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children. The successful applicant will require an enhanced DBS clearance.
The school is committed to equal opportunities.

Working Together for a Successful Future

Whole school attendance 96.65%.

Remember that good attendance will help your child to succeed at school.

This week 2KA achieved 100% attendance! Well done.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito
Headteacher



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COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR

OPEN MORNING

On:

Thursday 14th October at 9:15am

PLEASE PHONE THE SCHOOL IN ADVANCE TO BOOK A TOUR

Come and hear about Queensgate's:

- Dynamic curriculum
 - Out and About
 - Cookery
 - Ofsted rated Good
 - High standards
- Great sports facilities
- School dog - Benji

Ofsted comments 2019:

"Pupils told me that their teachers expect them to work hard and I confirmed this to be true when we visited lessons. Their workbooks show that they are currently striving to achieve high standards."

"Ablly supported by your senior leaders and governors, you lead a talented school team that shares our ambition for all pupils to achieve success."

"Teachers have implemented new strategies for teaching reading and writing with skill and enthusiasm. This has resulted in remarkable improvement to current pupils' achievement."

We look forward to welcoming you to Queensgate

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ADULT LEARNING

AUTUMN 2021

ALL COURSES ARE FOR ADULTS 19+



All courses take place at the Community Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde, PO33 1QS

ICT

Essential Digital Skills for Work level 1 - offered at no cost (10 weeks)

Thursday 16 September to 2 December, 9.30am - 12.30pm.

Essential Digital Skills for Life level E3 - offered at no cost (10 weeks)

Tuesday 14 September to 30 November, 9.30am - 12.30pm.

ICDL (International Computer Driving Licence) Word Processing level 1 & 2 - offered at no cost (6 weeks)

Monday 6 September to 11 October, 9.30am - 12.30pm.

ICDL Presentation Software level 1 & 2 - offered at no cost (6 weeks)

Monday 1 November to 6 December, 1pm - 4pm.

ICDL Spreadsheets level 1 & 2 - offered at no cost (6 weeks)

Tuesday 2 November to 7 December, 1pm - 4pm.

Computers for Beginners - offered at no cost (6 weeks)

Monday 1 November to 6 December, 9.30am - 12.30pm.

CAREER APPOINTMENTS

Offered at no cost
Do you need impartial information, advice and guidance to enable you to realise your potential, so that you can confidently take the next step into learning or employment? If your answer is **yes**, call us to book a face to face or telephone appointment with our Careers Advisor Amanda, who can tailor it around your needs, whatever they may be.



Concession rates on the below courses are offered to learners who are in receipt of specific benefits that are means tested.

ART

Painting with Fingers and Sponges using Oil Paints (4 weeks)

Monday 4 to 11 October and 1 to 8 November, 10am - 1pm. £65/£20 concession.

Drawing Figures (workshop)

Wednesday 13 October, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

Pet Portraits (workshop)

Wednesday 17 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

Acrylic Painting for Beginners (4 weeks)

Monday 22 November to 13 December, 10am - 1pm. £65/£20 concession.

Beginners Watercolours (4 weeks)

Wednesday 24 November to 15 December, 10am - 1pm. £65/£20 concession.

Pastels and Charcoal by Candlelight (workshop)

Tuesday 30 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Healthy Winter Teas and Tonics (workshop)

Saturday 13 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

For more information on our courses.

T: 817280

E: acl@iow.gov.uk

W: iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses

CRAFT

Nuno Felted Scarf (workshop)

Wednesday 22 September, 1pm - 4pm. £20/£8 concession.

Practical Sewing Skills (4 weeks)

Friday 24 September to 15 October, 10am - 1pm. £65/£25 concession.

Enamelled jewellery (workshop)

Monday 27 September, 10am - 1pm. £20/£8 concession.

Colourful Felted Jewellery (2 weeks)

Thursday 7 to 14 October, 10am - 1pm. £35/£15 concession.

Sea Glass Resin Coasters (workshop)

Saturday 9 October, 10am - 3pm. £35/£15 concession.

Stained Glass Effect Tea Light Hanging (workshop)

Saturday 16 October, 10am - 2pm. £30/£10 concession.

Upcycle your Old Denim (workshop)

Tuesday 2 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

Creating and using Stencils (workshop)

Thursday 4 November, 10.30am - 1.30pm. £18/£6 concession.

3D Natural Autumnal Sculptures (workshop)

Wednesday 10 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

Woven Wall Art Hanging Tapestry (2 weeks)

Thursday 11 to 18 November, 10am - 1pm. £35/£15 concession.

Pebble Picture Art (workshop)

Sunday 14 November, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

Beaded Loom Jewellery (workshop)

Tuesday 16 November, 10am - 3pm. £35/£15 concession.

Batik and Silk Painting (3 weeks)

Friday 19 November to 3 December, 10am - 1pm. £55/£25 concession.

Make you own Elf on the Shelf and Outfit (workshop)

Sunday 28 November, 10am - 3pm. £35/£15 concession.

Indoor Paper Wreath (workshop)

Friday 3 December, 10am - 1pm. £18/£6 concession.

Christmas Foliage Hanging Decoration (workshop)

Friday 10 December, 10am - 3pm. £30/£10 concession.

CITY AND GUILDS FUNCTIONAL SKILLS - ENGLISH & MATHS

All courses fully funded and offered at no cost. Classes available in Sandown, Ryde, Newport, Freshwater and East Cowes. Please contact us for more information.



WORKSHOP DAY

£6 each session or two for £10 (morning and afternoon session for same person)

Sunday 3 October
10am - 12pm

Willow Dream Catcher

Drawing with Charcoal

Needle Felted Flower Brooch

Learn to Draw a Sacred Geometry Picture

1pm - 3pm

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CHRISTMAS THEMED WORKSHOP DAY

£6 each session or two for £10 (morning and afternoon session for same person)

Sunday 5 December
10am - 12pm

Wine Glass and Bottle Charms

Lino Printed Christmas Cards/Tags

Macramé Christmas Tree

Festive Coasters

1pm - 3pm

Wine Glass and Bottle Charms

Lino Printed Christmas Cards/Tags

Macramé Christmas Tree

Festive Coasters



EAST COWES LIBRARY

OPENING TIMES

MONDAY 10.00am to 1.00pm

TUESDAY 5.00pm to 6.00pm

THURSDAY 9.30am to 12.30pm



TOWN HALL Main Entrance

- Children's books for browsing and borrowing
- Adult books to request from stock or order
- Monthly reading group – contact us for details
- Bus pass applications forms
- Dog bags are still available
- Please feel free to pop in!

Email: eastcoveslibrary@gmail.com

Post: East Cowes Town Hall, York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6RU

Phone: 01983 718662

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came to join in our Summer Reading Challenge 'Wild World Heroes'. Although this has now finished, it is not too late to collect your rewards.

We are pleased that we are able to keep all of our children's books available to browse and borrow in our temporary home in the Town Hall. We can replace lost library cards and join new members. We can also order books for adults and children, then call you when they are available to pick up. Please note our times have changed. Overdue books still have **no fine** at our branch.

Best wishes from your community library team.

PS. A book club for adults will be starting on the first Tuesday of each month, from 5th October 5pm – 6.30pm in the Town Hall. If you are interested please contact Di at the library via email, phone message or pop in and see us.



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Are you a lone parent or from a troubled family aged 18 years+ and are considering your options of returning to paid or unpaid work but don't know where to start?

Our Family Employment Advice Service Employment Advisor will deliver a person centred 1-1 support service in a friendly environment at Tidal Family Support Centre in Ryde, to help you identify the best pathway for you in returning to paid/unpaid work, to seek voluntary placements, or advice on training opportunities by providing support to improve your self-confidence, refresh your skills and to effectively apply for either unpaid or paid work opportunities.

We understand that each person starts their journey with us on a bespoke path whether it be attending a voluntary placement first or gaining qualifications, for some it may just be having the encouragement and motivation to turn up to their appointments but the end result is the same for all; to feel part of society again, to have self-worth.

We will work in a holistic manner with you taking in to account all the logistics that need to be put in to place before even leaving your home. We can offer free childcare at Tidal Family Support Centre for the duration of your appointment with your Employment Advisor!

You will have access to the help you need, when you need it, you will be supported to get the ongoing help you require by using our extensive knowledge of local services.

It is envisaged that you will report an improved emotional and physical wellbeing by becoming resilient and more independent in managing your own life choices now and for the future.

How can I join the Family Employment Advice Service?

There are several ways to be referred through your professional support network such as:

Job Centre Plus Strengthening Families Advisor, Barnardo's, Tidal Family Support Centre, Children's Centres, Aspire and other services who will be happy to refer you.

How much does the service cost? It's free because it is funded by the HIWCF

Is there a time scale on the advice that I receive? No, you set your own timescales with your employment advisor who will help you achieve your goals within the duration of the project (Due to end March 2023)

Will I get a job at the end of it? We will help you gain confidence and skills to provide you with the best possible chance of moving forward with your future goals

Alternatively, for more information please e-mail: FEAS@oseliow.org.uk where we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



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