



Lest We Forget...



Dear Parents and Carers,



Field of Remembrance, Carisbrooke Castle

On Thursday I had the privilege of going to Carisbrooke Castle with our Year 4, 5 and 6 School Council Reps. We joined veterans and members of the armed forces for a service in the garden of Remembrance. We listened to the last post and the bagpipes. It was a lovely occasion. Maisy and Marika, our Year 6 council reps have written this article for the newsletter. Here is a picture of us all.

At the start of the service everyone gathered in the courtyard and we all listened to prayers. Once that was over the last post was played then we had 2 minutes of silence. Afterwards, we listened to more prayers. The Minister invited people who wished to place crosses while the lament was played.

War horse

The war horse is a horse that they say the Germans couldn't kill. We remember the animals that served in the war by wearing purple poppies. Horses were used to carry supplies across the battle field to the soldiers in their trenches.

Princess Beatrice

Princess Beatrice once lived in Carisbrooke but once the World War started she moved to the mainland because it was safer, but it was harder to travel in the war times. She spent her last 3 or 4 years of her life back at Carisbrooke.

Canons

A good canon crew can fire 2 or 3 rounds a minute. The canons can fire up to 50 metres away. Carisbrooke is built on a hill because you can see your enemies far away.

Phonics Testing

As you probably remember tests did not happen last year. This means that our Year 1 children did not do their phonics test, so the Government have asked us to do it in Year 2 instead. We will be carrying out phonics tests next week with all of our Year 2 children. This is 1:1 with the class teacher reading words by sounding them out.

School Nurse

The school nurses team are in school next week checking the height and weight of our Reception children.

No Pens Day

On Wednesday 24th November we will be having a no pens day where the children will be participating in drama, speech and spoken word activities. Here is a website for you to have a look at

<https://ican.org.uk/no-pens-day-wednesday/>



Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week and the theme is one kind word, which fits in really well with our kindness culture and making someone's day. The children will be doing some work in their classes and it will be our theme for assemblies.

Last week we advertised for anti-bullying ambassadors from our Year 5 and 6 children. The children applied, we short listed and then interviewed them. Here are the names of the children who were successful and will support the adult team outside at lunchtimes to help support children who may have had a fall out or if they are upset about something.

These children will also receive Anti-bullying Ambassador training.

Alfie R, Leana M, Emilia Read, Emma R, Alexis C, Oliver P, Frazer P, Esmee S and Layla L.

QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP



A bit of a mixed bag of football results this week.

U-11 Open/boys league; the team finally lost their long unbeaten record at Queensgate after a 3-2 defeat at Haylands. The team scored the first and last goal but also hit the goal frame three times. The team need to win their final game to qualify for the next phase.

U-10 league; the team secured their second league draw but so nearly won it. The team took a 2-0 half time lead at Nine Acres which they extended to 3-0 with just minutes left. Unfortunately, the team collapsed as Nine Acres secured a 3-3 draw with the final kick of the match.



U-9 IOW Knockout Cup; the team eased into the next round after securing a 6-1 win at St Marys but it wasn't all one way traffic. The team led 1-0 at half time but St Marys equalised just after the break. However, three quick fire goals put the team out of sight and two late goals added the gloss.

Year 1 Bulb Planting

On Wednesday the Year 1 classes walked to Osborne House to work with the grounds maintenance team. All the holes were dug so the children had to put eight bulbs (the right way up) in each hole. They planted 3,000 in total. Great work Year 1!



ENGLISH
HERITAGE



Lots of English Heritage volunteers came to help the children make crowns, which were decorated with leaves from around the grounds.

Working together for a successful future

Out & About

On Tuesday afternoon the **3BM** Out and About group walked up to the Longstone at Mottistone. They learnt about the different periods within the Stone Age, talked about life in Neolithic times and the significance of the 6,000 year old standing stones. The children were all very enthusiastic and keen to run back down the hill.



The **4MC** Out and About team concluded last half term's work on farming, with a visit to Nettlecombe Farm in Whitwell on Wednesday morning. The children enjoyed hand feeding lots of different breeds of sheep, goat, chickens and some very large cows. It was brilliant to see the children so confident working with the animals. Once again, Oreo the sheep was very popular!



On Wednesday afternoon, half of **2KA** visited Firestone Copse. The children recapped their Science learning about living things and what they need to survive. We were fortunate to have Mrs Whitmore join our session and share her 'Pop Up Museum' from the Isle of Wight Natural History and Archeological Society with the children. They also had fun creating some leaf rubbings and a bit of bug hunting too.



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In Out and About after school club the children visited Quarr Abbey. They loved feeding the piglets and having a walk in the Abbey and woodland.



Out and About next week:

Please ensure your child is in suitable play clothes and brings a warm waterproof coat, hat, scarf and gloves. Bring wellies in a named bag to change into. Many thanks in advance.

Year 1 - 1KS Tuesday am

Visiting the woods

Tyson, Henley, Ralph, Ayrton, Amber-Rose, Peyton, Kamahlie, Jack, Liliana, George, Ebony, Danielle and Darcie.

Year 3 - 3PT Tuesday pm

Ryan, Emily B, Teddy, Maya, Skyla, Amelia, Arthur, Evie, Ava, Jake and Jack R, Emily T, Zachary and Isabella.

Year 4 - 4AH Wednesday am

Going to the beach

Theo, Freddie, Lexi, Alayna, Archie, Oscar, James M, James D, Felicity, Isabella, Rochelle, George, Toby, Sienna and Emily.

Year 2 - 2GC Wednesday pm

Visiting the airport

Ashton, Maddie, Annabella, Toby, Destiny, Hannah, Edward, Jack R, Logan, Jesse, Charley, Oscar S, Maisie, Tommy and Elliott.



What's for dinner next week?

(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 Spanishy Spuds	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	See special menu below	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
Veggie Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Allegra's Cheesy Peasy Risotto Bake	Butternut Squash and Potato Pastry Slice		Soft Taco and Chips
Peas and Carrots	Sweetcorn and Broccoli	Carrots and Cabbage		Baked Beans and Peas
Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Apple and Carrot Yoghurt Muffin	Strawberry Ice Cream		Creamy Peach Rice Pudding

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

MEXICAN FIESTA
18/11/21
£2.15

MENU

Tasty Mains
Chilli Beef or Veggie Chilli
Nachos with Cheese and
Chipotle Potato Wedges

Scrummy Veggie Sides
Sweetcorn & Mixed Salad

Yummy Desserts
Jam & Coconut Sponge Cake
Chocolate Shortbread

Don't forget, school meals are free for all children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2!
To sign up for this tasty theme day menu, please speak to your school.

See page 11 for some Mexican vocabulary!

Love reading?

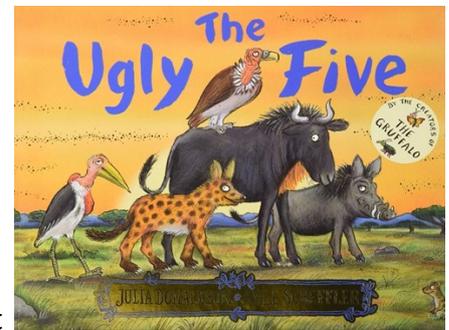
Then try this....

Aiya in 1CE has been reading *The Ugly Five* by Julia Donaldson and she loves it! She reads this story with her mummy at bed time and she has learned to join in with some of the words for when the animals “kicked up the dust”. She especially likes the way that the words rhyme.

The lion in the story is one of Aiya’s favourite colours: gold. She thinks he is very brave. The animals in the story live in the African Plains and it’s all about what they look like. Aiya likes how the leopard in the story sits high up in a tree.

Julia Donaldson has written lots of wonderful books that you might enjoy. Come and have a look for them in our school library.

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.



Year 4 Egyptian Museum - Save the date!

Year 4 will be hosting an Egyptian Museum on Tuesday 14th December at 2:00pm to 2:45pm. Parents are invited along to marvel at the work produced by the children in 4AH & 4MC.

As the museums will be in both of the classes, parents are kindly asked to wear face coverings whilst inside the school building. You will be able to take your children home with you at the end of the visit.



Site Manager Role

Many of you know Mr Cox, our Site Manager. He will be retiring in January and we are going out to advert for a new site manager on Monday next week. The post will be advertised on Isle of Wight jobs, Indeed and our own website. Look out for the advert if you, or someone you know, are interested.

Whole school attendance 94.24%.

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

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

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher

FRENCH CLUB

For Primary School students in Years 5 and 6
EVERY THURSDAY
4PM TO 5PM

from Thursday 11th November 2021

Contact:

- Mr Harding
tharding@cowesec.org
- Madame Oboh
doboh@cowesec.org

Activities will include:

- Eat French food
- Watch French movies
- French karaoke contest
- French Holiday parties
- Read French poetry

Why join?

- Complements and enhances languages taught in the curriculum
- Improving self-confidence
- Making new friends
- Speak with an authentic accent and correct pronunciation
- Achieve a high standard French through activities that are interesting, rewarding and fun
- Gain a good grounding for future languages learning
- Benefit from a structured and progressive programme, which enhances other learning

FREE OF CHARGE!

JOIN 'THE GIFT' COURSE

DESIGNED TO HELP YOU CONNECT WITH YOUR MEANING AND PURPOSE

The Gift is an innovative, comprehensive, and inclusive 2-day course, which runs from 10am-3pm, and will empower you to transform your personal wellbeing to achieve the life you want.

The content has been specifically designed in a way that is empowering and advances you forward on your journey to connect with your meaning and purpose. You will be guided through this 2-day course to gradually learn and action new lifelong skills that will improve your mental health and wellbeing.

Expression of Interest

If you are interested in the opportunity to attend this course, please complete the form below and return it to the school.

Full Name _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Gender _____

Do you agree to Isorropia Foundation confidently collecting the data you've provided?

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

ABOUT US

Isorropia Foundation is a mental health wellbeing organisation designed to self-empower you to become the best version of yourself. We see past diagnosis and adopt a holistic, person-centred approach, underpinned by our unique 'five keys' that are designed to help you achieve overall wellbeing.

For more information, please contact Isorropia Foundation on

01983 217791

hello@isorropia.uk



Drive-in Films

for Christmas
At Robin Hill Country Park

Saturday, November 20th

Sunday, November 21st

The Polar Express
Gates 11am, Film 12pm

Elf
Gates 11am, Film 12pm

How The Grinch Stole Christmas
Gates 3pm, Film 4pm

Home Alone
Gates 3pm, Film 4pm

Love Actually
Gates 7pm, Film 8pm

The Holiday
Gates 7pm, Film 8pm

Book today: www.wessexcancer.org.uk/event/xmas-drive-in

Raising Funds for
The Wessex Cancer Trust

Christmas Fayre

25+ stalls providing a variety of handmade gifts & sweet treats

November 21st 10-4

Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes, PO31 7NP

FREE ENTRY & Parking

Join the Facebook group to view the virtual market and available stalls ahead of the event!



kitchen open 12-2: Sunday Roast £7
Bar open from 12

Santa Dash with Mountbatten

SAVE THE
DATE!

SUNDAY 12th
DECEMBER

AT VENTNOR BOTANIC GARDENS

Enjoy Mountbatten's Christmas themed family fun run with...
Christmas Village | Festive Fancy Dress | Santa Appearance
Local Christmas Gifts | Free Entry to the gardens
Chance to win tickets to Robin Hill's POLAR , VIP tickets to
Beauty and the Beast Pantomime and many many more.

FAMILY FUN TO
SUPPORT MOUNTBATTEN



Santa Dash with Mountbatten is back for 2021! We're delighted to let you now that Santa Dash is back this year and bigger than ever. One of Mountbatten's main fundraising events of the year, join us with your family and do the 'Santa Dash' in your festive fancy-dress, all in aid of Mountbatten. Entrants receive their own medal on completion and have the chance to be entered into an exclusive family prize draw where you could win tickets to POLAR, Beauty and the Beast at Shanklin Theatre, the IW Steam Railway and many more. You are all invited to join us at our Christmas Village following the dash, with festive appearances from Santa & other festive friends. The Christmas Village provides you and your family the chance to browse local stalls for Christmas goodies and make a full day of it. We can't wait to see you on Sunday 12th December at Ventnor Botanic Gardens and meet all the wonderful families supporting Mountbatten and remembering those once closest to us at Christmas.

Garage inc Collective Christmas Fayre

*Trade stalls Donkeys
Raffle Music
Fun stuff Lots to see*

December 3rd 12-6pm

*Garage inc
York Avenue
East Cowes*

The Donkeys from the Isle of Wight Donkey Sanctuary will be on site from 12pm to 4pm.

The raffle includes some amazing prizes including toys, games and soft animals.

Hot food stalls will be available.

Santa's grotto will be open from 4pm to 6pm.

Please come and support this local event and in turn raise lots of money for local charities.

SPREADING THE CHRISTMAS CHEER WITH

BE A SANTA TO A SENIOR



#BeASanta

Christmas time is near! Spread
the Christmas cheer! Be a Santa
to a Senior this Christmas.



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LET'S LEARN POPULAR MEXICAN PHRASES

Today's curriculum links:
Foreign Languages



Good-bye friends	→	Adios amigos (pronounced: ah-de-OHS ah-me-gos)
Please	→	Por favor (pronounced: poor fah-VOHR)
Thank you	→	Muchas gracias (pronounced: MOO-chas GRAH-see-aahs)
You're welcome	→	De nada (pronounced: day NAH-dah)
Good morning	→	Buenos dias (pronounced: BWAY-nos DEE-aha)
Hello	→	Hola (pronounced: OH-la)
Good-bye	→	Adios (pronounced: ah-de-OHS)
Good night	→	Buenas noches (pronounced: BWAY-nahs No-chays)



DID YOU KNOW?

In Mexico, the national language is Spanish.