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Queensgate Foundation Primary School

Thank you for the Harvest

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Produce

I would like to say a huge thank you for your generosity. As you can see from the photo we had many harvest donations for the East Cowes Food Pantry. Today myself, Mr Salter and our two Year 6 School Council Reps, Leo L and Rose C, delivered the food to Christine at the pantry.

Here is what Leo and Rose had to say

visit:

"Today we





went to East Cowes food pantry. It was amazing how much food has been donated. We recommend donating food because all the food goes to people in need. It only costs £5 when it is actually worth £15. You get 12 items, 2 of which are from the high range. That would include chicken, mince, diced meat and cheese. They only include cheese because it is now expensive. You get items free like toiletries, nappies, baby milk and other items. The items of food are close to their sell by date. You can get a whole day's worth of food. We made up menus whilst we were at the food pantry. We thought our trip was fun!"







Reception Open Morning for September 2023

Do you know anyone who has a child due to start school next September? If so please tell them about our open morning. Our open morning is on **Thursday 6th October** between 9:15 and 10:30. There will be a short talk in the school hall, followed by a tour of the school.

Sailing

Next week both of our Year 6 classes have the privilege of being able to go sailing with UKSA. On **Wednesday 5**th **October 6TM** will be sailing between 8:45 and 12.00 and on **Thursday 6**th **October 6LR** will be sailing from 8:45 and 12.00.

The children need to be at the chain ferry by **8.15am** as they will leave promptly at 8.15am to ensure they get to UKSA on time. Anyone not there by that time will need to make their own way.

Year 6 will be taking part in UKSA's Test the Water program. This program gives Year 6 students the chance to get out on the water, have fun with their classmates, build on confidence, and other key skills such as teamwork, resilience and communication. The Test the Water program is a great way for the children to learn to accept challenges, face some fears and to learn new skills in a safe and supportive environment. The children will be sailing dinghies (weather dependent).





Benji Blog:

Benji is enjoying being back at school and has been helping some of the children settle into their new classes. Benji continues to have a timetable which enables children to have 1:1 or small group time with him, to support their wellbeing and relationships. He also has his very own break, rest and lunch times! If you feel your child would benefit from having some time with Benji please get in contact with Mrs Jeffers.

Year 6 Cookery

In cookery Year 6 have been learning about healthy eating. We discussed what we would make for ourselves after school to eat, lots of children said Pot Noodles and Super Noodles. We talked about healthier options and we made our own stir-fried veggie noodles. Some children were not impressed by some of the ingredients we were adding to our veggie stir-fry however they all tried what they had made!







Out & About

The Year 2 Out and About team from **2KA** visited the Dragon Tree near the Mill Pond in Brighstone. The children used compasses and maps to follow the route to find the tree. As part of their Science work, we talked about what habitats are and what livings things need to survive. The children were challenged to make a creature using clay and natural found objects from the forest floor. They had to decide what kind of habitat their creature would live in, what it would eat and what features it would have. After having fun making their models the children explored the woods, stream, stepping stones and tyre swing.







On Tuesday afternoon the **3AH** Out and About children hiked up to the Longstone at Mottistone. Next half term the children will be learning about the Stone Age in History. In readiness, they visited the Island's Neolithic standing stones. The stones once stood as the entrance to a long barrow / burial mound over 6,000 years ago and were also believed to be a place of worship, aligned to the rising and setting sun. The children showed great enthusiasm when walking up to the Longstone and practically ran back down to the Mottistone Estate!







The Out and About group from **4MC** enjoyed a tour of Briddlesford Farm on Wednesday morning. To tie in with their Geography topic on farming, the children learnt about land use, food production and food miles. They also learnt about the teeth and digestion system of cows and the milking process (to fit in with their Science work). As part of their farm tour, the children met and fed lots of calves, heffas and bulls, visited the (imminently due) pregnant cows and even saw a mother cow and calf that had just been born. It was great to see the children hands on and keen to take part in feeding the cows and helping out on the farm.







On Wednesday afternoon, the **Year 1** Out and About children hunted for shells on Seaview Beach and Quay Rocks. The children were tasked with finding at least 20 shells with holes in and then had to thread them to create their own necklaces. They had to keep counting, working out how many more shells they needed. There were lots of slipper limpets on the beach that had been worn by the sea and had holes in already. Children were given the option to use a bradawl and hammer to create holes themselves if they preferred. They enjoyed having the opportunity to use tools as well as exploring the shoreline. After creating our jewellery we enjoyed seaside stories on the beach.







After school, the **Out and About club** children went to Quarr Abbey. The children loved feeding the piglets and relaxing in the grounds together.







Out and About next week...

Please ensure your child is wearing old <u>play clothes</u> (nothing new or special), <u>waterproof coat</u> (pack waterproof trousers too if they have some) and <u>wellies</u>/walking boots/old trainers in a named bag.

Tuesday 4th October am - **2EC** St Helens Duver Ellie, Ethan, Daisy, Lilly, Miller, Oliver C, Max, Daniel, Samuel, Juniper, Corey, Eve and Chloe.

Tuesday 4th October pm - **3PT** Whitecliff Bay walk Ashton, Maddie, Jacob, Kyle, Annabella, Benjamin, Mia-Rose, Toby, Oscar G, Harry, Tommy, Destiny-Grace, Cooper, Ruben and Hannah.

Wednesday 5th October am - 4BM Briddlesford Farm

Children <u>must</u> wear <u>wellies</u> on the farm. Please let school know if your child does not have any and would like to borrow some.

Ryan, Emily B, Teddy, Skyla, Maya, Amelia, Arthur, Evie, Ava, Jake, Zachary, Emily T, Islabella, Denys and Artem.

Wednesday 5th October pm - 1CE Borthwood Copse

Arthur, William, Hannah, Freddie, Tyler, Daisy, Mia, Teddy, Poppy, Levi, Gracie-Mai, Harvey, Caleb, Jamie and Corey.



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
Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	BBQ Chicken Burger, Corn and Pineapple Relish with Potato Wedges	Tender Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips	Beef Bolognese
Veggie Burrito	Macaroni Cheese	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn Nuggets and Chips	Butternut Squash and Tomato Bake with Rice
Carrot Sticks and Cucumber Sticks	Peas and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Cabbage	Baked Beans and Peas	Broccoli and Sweetcorn
Chocolate Ice Cream	Brownie	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Chocolate and Raspberry Swirl Cake	Banana Cake

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

Please Note that lunches now costs £2.37 each.

School Dinners

Census Day

Thursday 6th October is census day for schools nationally. This is the day that we need as many children having school dinner as possible, as this is one of the mechanism used for our funding formula. As you will see we have swapped Friday and Thursday meals around as we know that fish fingers and chips is a popular choice. Remember that regardless of it being census day the school meal provides a nutritious and well balanced meal, that costs less than a Happy Meal!

Please also remember that any child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free meal so can have a lunch everyday for free. With the cost of living spiralling upwards this could be a quick and easy fix to help ease the pressure on a cooked meal in the evening.





Attendance

It is hugely important that the children come to school everyday as the lessons build on from each other. If your child is not well please telephone the school office and let them know the reason for the absence, this should be followed up with an email or note to office@queensgateprimary.co.uk



If you would like leave of absence for an alternative reason to illness you must complete a leave of absence form (at least 14 days in advance of absence), these can be found in the school foyer.

Please remember to call the school when your child is absent (if we haven't heard from you by 9.15am we will contact you). It is important that you follow up this phone call with a written reason for the absence when your child returns to school.

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

Education and Inclusion Officer

We have continued, this year, to employ the services of the Education and inclusion Team at the local authority. The Education and Inclusion Officer (Mrs Tammy Vincent) comes into school on a regular basis and meets with our Attendance Officer (Mrs Cade) to analyse pupil absences. Mrs Vincent's role involves home visits, meeting with parents/carers, conducting parent interviews under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act and progressing specific cases to court. However, before any of this she is there to help and support you to get your child to school if you are having difficulty in doing so.

Whole School Attendance this week is 96.07%

KS1 Class with best attendance this week is 2KA with 98.29%

KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 3PT with 99.26%

Magazines Wanted!!

In Year 3 art we are making collages. If you have any spare magazines or holiday brochures that you have finished reading, please send them in to us so we can make them into beautiful self-portraits.

Donations can be put into a collection box downstairs by the Year 3 and 4 entrance or delivered directly to the Year 3 classrooms.



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Headteacher: Samantha Sillito B.Ed (Hons) NPQH Deputy Head: Robin Chubb B.Sc (Hons) NPQSL Assistant Head: Clare Grant B.Ed (Hons) Assistant Head: Peter Tilling B.Sc (Hons) NPQSL

We currently have three vacancies on our Governing Board – one Partnership vacancy and two Co-opted vacancies.

School Governing Boards are made up of people with a range of skills and experiences, who are all volunteers and work together for the benefit of the School. School governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country; people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education. The governing board provides strategic direction and supports school improvement. Governors work as a team to oversee and hold the school to account for educational performance and financial probity.

We are currently looking for volunteers who have -

- a desire to contribute to the development of the school and its community
- an interest in the performance of the school
- an open and enquiring mind
- the ability to look at issues objectively
- a willingness to listen, ask questions and make informed judgements
- the ability to work well with others
- time to help make a difference

Whatever your level of knowledge, skills and experience – enthusiasm, interest and a desire to learn are the important factors.

Being a governor can give you:

- a chance to use and develop your own skills and experience
- the opportunity to work within a team
- · experience in working in a strategic environment
- a sense of achievement

Training and support is available to help Governors during their time on the board.

Do you know someone from a local business who might be interested in joining the Governing Board? If you do, we would love to meet them. Please ask them to contact: Mrs. Selle – Clerk to Governors - at school on: 292872 or email: admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk. Further information and any queries can also be emailed to: admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk

The closing date for nominations is noon **Monday 10th October 2022**.

Family Support:

Below is some information for the Children's Wellbeing Service. This service works with families to help develop positive behaviour and emotional wellbeing.

If you have any further questions or you would like a referral completed please contact Mrs Jeffers via telephone or email Ajeffers@queensgateprimary.co.uk.

ABOUT US

The Children's Wellbeing Service has been commissioned by The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The aim of the service is to support parents and carers of children and young people living on the Isle of Wight who are experiencing distressing or challenging behaviours.

Children's Wellbeing Service works with families to help develop children's positive behaviour and emotional wellbeing for Year R to Year 7.

Through the additional funding provided by the CCG, the Children's Wellbeing Service can be referred to through any staff working within health to provide support for families.

By providing early, targeted support through a child-centred approach, Children's Wellbeing Service aims





CONTACT US

Email: iow.wellbeing@hants.gov.uk



Children's Wellbeing Service

A guide to:

Family Support

What the Children's Wellbeing Service is and how it can help you and your child





How it Works

To receive support from the Children's Wellbeing Service, you as a parent need to seek a referral from any staff working within health. This could be your GP, Health Visitor, School Nurse, Paediatrician, CAMHS or any other staff working within health with whom you may already be involved.

As a service we are not able to diagnose your child, but we will endeavour to provide families with a range of strategies for positive behaviour management and a deeper understanding of the reasons behind the behaviour.

The Consultation

- This will take place with your allocated Parent Support Advisor
- This will be an open, safe conversation about different areas of your life for you and your family
- The conversation will identify what is going well and what could work better for you and your family
- At the end of the consultation, you and your allocated Parent Support Advisor will agree a pathway of support for yourselves. This may include 1:1 support, group support, access to workshops or signposting to an appropriate

What Next?

Each family is very different, so each family will have a specific plan devised jointly between the service and the family. The plan will always be reviewed to achieve the best outcomes for the family. As it is so individual, there is no set timeline that you can expect.

Types of Support

- Individual sessions, in which the parent(s) or carers meet with a Parent Support Advisor to discuss situations in a similar way to the initial consultation but in more depth
- Group sessions/workshops based on giving more information or strategies on a specific topic.
- Support for parents/carers in developing a positive home/school relationship, as well as direct work with parents/carers
- Support for families with crisis management and conflict resolution
- Support for parents/carers in securing successful strategies that enable their child to self-regulate their behaviour
- Support for families in developing their strengths, emotional resilience, and independence
- Support for families in becoming better engaged with their child's learning and enabling them to access more of the curriculum.

Your Parent Support Advisor will discuss this process with you and always make sure you are happy with the pathway of support planned for you.



Year 6 CPR Training

Here are some of the comments from the children that they remembered from the CPR training.

A heart attack is different to cardiac arrest. Only use CPR for cardiac arrest (Megan)

If you find someone who is in cardia arrest you need to..

Jada - Call, Push, Rescue

Lottie and Freddy - call 999/112

Ella – Check for danger first

Jada – shout for help, shake the patient by their shoulders, say 'hello, can you hear me?'





Check for obstructions in the mouth, but don't put your fingers past their teeth (Owen) Tilt the head back with hand on forehead and one under the chin – don't let go of the head (an unconscious head weights 9kg!) – Zak

If safe begin chest compressions – lock your hands together and lock your arms out (Emilia)

If it's a baby you use 2 fingers, a small child use one hand and bigger child

or adult use 2 hands for chest compressions (Owen)

You can think of the beat to Baby Shark or Staying Alive to help you with the rhythm of compressions.

If there is a defibrillator near by use it. It tells you what to do and where to put the pads. If it is in a box with a lock, phone the emergency services for











Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

We are currently running an advert for our Year 5 children to apply to the role of Anti-bullying ambassador. The deadline for applications was today and the interviews will take place on Monday.

And finally...

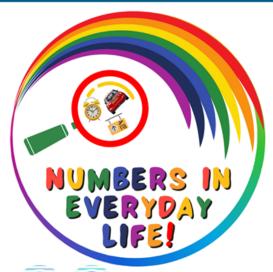
Here is a really good website for learning times tables. By the end of Year 4 children should know all of their times tables up to 12 x 12. https://www.timestables.co.uk/

Best wishes.

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher





An interactive in-person event for families with preschool and early primary school children as well as Early Years practitioners and Primary School Teachers.

Based on recent research, we will explore how young children understand the multiple meanings and social uses of written numbers in their everyday environments, and how family and preschool/school activities can enhance this understanding.











Based on research funded by a Leverhulme Trust Research Project Grant

Numbers in Everyday Life: Developing young children's understanding of the social uses of numbers in the world around them.

Saturday, 29th October 2022, 10-12 (additional afternoon slot may also become available, depending on numbers)

Please see further information and book a place here:

https://festivalofsocialscience.com/events/spot-the-numbers-developing-young-childrens-understanding-of-the-social-uses-of-written-numbers-in-everyday-life/

The event will be hosted by Dr Charis Voutsina (Associate Professor in Mathematics Education) and Dr Debbie Stott (Research Fellow, University of Southampton)

It is open to Families with children of preschool and early primary school age (2-7 years old)

Venue:

Building 65 Parkes, Lecture Theatre C University of Southampton, Avenue campus, Highfield Rd, Southampton SO17 1BF



Be inclusive | Anyone can excel Share what is best | Enjoy the challenge

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding an Open Month for Year 6 to Year 7 admissions from Monday 3rd October until Friday 21st October

Our Open Month replaces an Open Evening and will allow us to be able to show you around our fantastic school, giving you a first-hand experience of what it is like to be a pupil at Cowes Enterprise College.

45-minute tours will take place on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will be led by a member of the senior leadership team who will be able to answer any specific questions you have about year 7, our curriculum and enrichment opportunities.

In addition to this, we are pleased to offer additional opportunities to view our facilities on Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th October at 3.30pm and 4.30pm.

If you wish to visit the academy for a tour, please call 01983 203103.











Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6th Form 2022-23 Open Day/Evening dates (as at 23/9/2022 V2)

School/College	Date	Time
Carisbrooke College	27/09/2022	Y6 open evening 5-8pm
Christ the King College	21/09/2022	Y6 open evening at 3.30pm
	02/11/2022	6th Form open evening 4pm
Cowes Enterprise College	Week commencing 17/10/2022	No specific dates, parents make appointments
Island Free School	8/10/2022	10am-2pm no need to make appointments for the open day. HT talk 11am, 12 noon and 1pm for which booking is required via https://www.theislandfreeschool.org/ before 4pm Monday, 3rd October 2022. Please bring your ticket with you.
Medina College	20/09/2022	Y6 open evening 5-8pm
Ryde Academy	05/10/2022	Y6 open evening 4-7pm https://drive.google.com/file/d/1- k2RdYjbGq9nzBJbdWXLblwre-YC4nZK/view
	9/11/2022 Note this has moved from 10/11/22	6th Form open evening 4-7pm
Ryde School	08/10/2022 & 04/02/2023	10-12.30pm Parents are requested to register via website https://www.rydeschool.org.uk/admissions/open- days-visits or by emailing admissions@rydeschool.net
	24/11/2022	6F open evening 6.30-9pm
St George's School	n/a	Thursday, 29 September 2022 1.30-3.30pm And 5pm-7pm
The Bay CE School	06/10/2022	Y6 open evening Presentation Spm followed by tour Presentation at 6pm followed by tour
The Island VI Form	03/11/2022	6th Form oven evening 5-8pm
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Marion Ahmed – Tel: 861222 or email: mail@prioryschool.org.uk



If you were unable to make our open evening earlier this week but would like to visit Christ the King College, we are pleased to advise of additional dates for prospective students and their parents to have a look around. You are invited to join us on the 3rd, 10th or 12th October from 5.15pm.

If you would like to book a slot on these tours, please call 01983 537070 or email admin@christthekingcollege.co.uk



SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION 2022

'The Sea'

Are You A Budding Author?

Enter our competition for a chance to have your story published and recorded by a celebrity!

ENTRY FEE (per story)

£8.00 for:

Adults (1500 - 2000 words)

£2.00 for:

12 - 17s (up to 750 words)

8 - 11s (up to 500 words)

Under 8s (up to 250 words with pictures)



BETHANNIE HARE



DOMINIC MINGHELLA

ENTRY FORMS FROM:

Waterstones, Newport
Sight for Wight, Carisbrooke
Dress for Less, Newport

Email: admin@iwsb.org.uk



MARK SIMMONS



RICHARD CADELL

For more information visit: sightforwight.org.uk

Award Ceremony on Monday 5th December 2022
Riverside Centre, Newport @ 7pm

ENTRIES MUST BE RETURNED BY 5PM ON FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER

Sight for Wight is the working name for Isle of Wight Society for the Blind
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ADULT LEARNING

Autumn 2022

All courses take place at The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde, PO33 1QS unless otherwise stated. *Concessionary rates are offered to learners who are in receipt of specific means tested benefits.





Education & Skills Funding Agency

CITY AND GUILDS FUNCTIONAL SKILLS FREE ENGISH AND MATHS COURSES

Classes available in Ryde, Newport, Sandown, Freshwater and East Cowes. For more details, please contact acl@iow.gov.uk

FREE CAREERS APPOINTMENTS

Advice and guidance to enable you to realise your potential, so that you can confidently take the next step into learning or employment.

For more details, please contact acl@iow.gov.uk



For more information and to book your place please get in touch.

- iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses
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All courses are for adults (19+ years old)

ICT

Computers for Beginners

6 week course > Tuesday 13 September to 18 October > 9.30am to 12.30pm > Free

Computers for Beginners

Downside Centre, Furlongs, Newport P030 2AX

6 week course > Monday 31 October to 5 December > 1pm to 4pm > Free

Essential Digital Skills For Life Level Entry 3

12 week course » Monday 12 September to 5 December » 1pm to 3.30pm » Free 12 week course » Thursday 15 September to 8 December » 6pm to 8.30pm » Free

Essential Digital Skills For Work Level 1

12 week course > Thursday 15 September to 8 December > 9.30am to 12.30pm > Free



FREE ONLINE COURSES

Short courses on offer through the Equal Learning Platform include modules in, English and Maths, Childcare and Education, Business, Leadership and Management, Health and Safety, Retail and Hospitality, Health and Social Care, Personal Development and Employability, Health and Fitness and Sustainability. Electronic certificates available on completion. For more details, please contact acl@iow.gov.uk

ICT (CONTINUED)

ICDL Word Processing Level 1 and 2

6 week course > Monday 12 September to 17 October > 9.30am to 12.30pm > Free

ICDL Spreadsheets Level 1 and 2

6 week course > Tuesday 13 September to 18 October > 1pm to 4pm > Free

ICDL Presentation Software Level 1 and 2

6 week course > Tuesday 1 November to 6 December > 9.30am to 12.30pm > Free

Researching your Family History for Beginners

3 week course > Sunday 6 to 20 November > 10.30am to 12.30pm > £35/£20*

ART

Travel Poster Art

3 week course > Monday 3 October to 17 October > 10am to 1pm > £55/£32*

Pen & Wash Still Life

Workshop > Wednesday 5 October > 10am to 3pm > £35/£22*

Poppy Watercolour

Workshop > Friday 14 October >
10am to 1pm > £20/£12*

Understanding & Mixing Colours

Workshop > Wednesday 19 October >
1 to 4pm > £20/£12*

Abstracts using Painting Knives

3 week course > Wednesday 2 to 16 November > 10am to 1pm > £55/£32 *

ART (CONTINUED)

Acrylic Seascapes

Workshop >> Monday 7 November >> 10am to 3pm >> £35/£22*

Encaustic Art

Workshop > Saturday 12 November >
10am to 3pm > £35/£22*

CKAFT

Mosaic Garden/Window Suncatchers

2 week course > Saturday 17 September > 10am to 3pm > Sunday 18 September > 10am to 12pm > £45/£28*

Needle Felted Land or Seascape Picture

Workshop > Thursday 20 October > 10am to 3pm > £35/£22*

Feng Shui for your Home

5 week course >> Wednesday 2 to 30 November >> 6 to 8pm >> £60/£35*

Revamp your Clothing using Japanese Boro

4 week course » Thursday 3 to 24 November » 10am to 1pm » £65/£35*

Simple Embroidery Stitches

2 week course > Friday 4 to 11 November > 10am to 12.30pm > £35/£22*

Felt a Poinsettia Flower

2 week course » Friday 18 to 25 November » 10am to 12.30pm » £35/£22*

Silk Painted Scarf

Workshop >> Thursday 1 December >> 10am to 3pm >> £35/£22*

Felt Christmas Decorations

Workshop >> Friday 2 December >> 10am to 3pm >> £35/£22*

CRAFT (CONTINUED)

Air Dry Clay

2 week course > Wednesday 7
December > 6 to 8pm > Wednesday 14
December > 6 to 7pm £20/£16*

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Warming Winter Tonics & Teas

Workshop > Saturday 15 October >
10am to 1pm > £20/£12*

For more information and to book your place please get in touch.

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WORKSHOP DAY £10/£5*

Workshop » Sunday 9 October » 10am to 12pm

Beginners Knitting -Cosy Mug Holder

Creative Collage

Decoupage Glass Jars

CHRISTMAS THEMED WORKSHOP DAY

Workshop » Sunday 4 December » 10am to 12pm

Mini Stocking

Needle Felted Bauble

Foliage Wreath