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Queensgate Foundation  
Primary School



## Time to Book for Parent and Carer Evenings

Dear Parents and Carers,

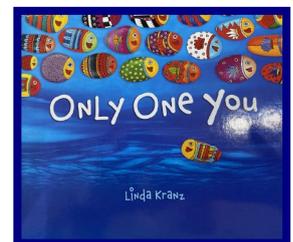
### Visit from the Dentist

We are having a visit from a dentist on Monday, who will be working with Year 2 to teach them about the importance of keeping their teeth clean and the best way to do this.

### Only One You

Next week in assemblies we will be looking at the book *Only One You* by Linda Kranz. Here is a link to the book on YouTube if you would like to show your child before school next week

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imhB7tJGC-I>



We will read the book and have a think about how unique each one of us is. On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October each child in the school will be given a pebble to paint about themselves. These pebbles will then be turned into a sensory path by Mr Salter, our Site Manager, within our Sensory area.

### Reception Class Photos

Next Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October we have invited an old friend back to Queensgate. Mr Cox will be in school taking photos of the Reception classes ready to send to the County Press. Please make sure the children are in full logoed uniform and with their hair neatly tied back. We want the children looking their very best! We will let you see the results next Friday. No names accompany the photos to the County Press.

### Parent and Carer Consultations

After the half term holiday, we will be holding parent and carer evenings. The appointments will go live on Scopay at 6pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please make your appointments allowing time between if you have more than one child. For the majority of the school these meetings will take place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. 2EC will be having their meetings on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November and 2KA will be later in the term as Mrs Arnell will have only just returned to work and will need more time to get to know the children. The booking system will close at 9am on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

The purpose of the meetings is to let you know how your child has settled into their new year group and how they are progressing with reading, writing and maths. Attendance will also be discussed. We aim to see everyone because children learn best when school and families work closely together. If, for any reason, you are unable to attend please make an alternative appointment with your child's class teacher.

## Out & About

On Tuesday morning the **2EC** Out and About group went to St Helens Duver to take part in some team games and problem solving activities. The children were split into teams and had to work together, practising their turn taking, speaking and listening skills, negotiating how best to complete the challenges. They had great fun using a variety of equipment to 'cross the river', ensuring all of their teammates made it to the other side without falling in the 'water'. Mr Giles sailed across Bembridge harbour to join our Out and About session and was impressed with their fantastic team work! Well done 2EC.



The **3PT** Out and About group visited The Shipwreck Centre and Maritime Museum at Arreton Barns on Tuesday afternoon to support next half-term's topic on the Stone Age. The children learnt about Maritime Archaeology and how divers have discovered a Mesolithic village, 11 metres below the sea at Bouldnor, near Yarmouth. They looked at dive equipment as well as studying Stone Age artefacts that have been found within the settlement, now underwater. The Solent is thought to have been just a narrow river 8,000 years ago and the discovery of this village provides evidence of a boat building industry and tools that may have been used.



The Out and About children from **3BM** were treated to a special visit to Nettlecombe Farm in Whitwell, on Wednesday morning, as part of their Geography work about farming and land use. The farm has diversified, with rare breeds animals being reared as pets and their main income coming from their holiday cottages onsite. The children had the opportunity to have a tour of the farm. They all loved being hands on, helping to feed the chickens, goats, donkeys, cows and sheep and finishing their visit with sheep cuddles!



The **1CE** Out and About team enjoyed exploring the signs of Autumn in the woods at Borthwood Copse. The children have been learning about Senses in Science. They confidently spoke about what they have been learning in class and talked about what they could hear, see, smell and feel in the forest. They were challenged to work in pairs to create a face using natural, found items including autumn leaves, acorns, chestnuts etc. Afterwards the children listened to some Autumn stories and had fun climbing on trees and fallen branches.



The after-school **Out and About club** had a brilliant time playing in the park at Wootton recreational grounds. It was super to see all the children playing together and making new friends in different classes.



### Out and About next week...

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

### **Tuesday 18th October am** - 2KA: St Helens Duver

Leo, Mia, Callum, Ayia, Theo, Layla, Freddie, Lille-Mae, Nathan, Arlo, Jamie, Milana and Kingsley.

### **Tuesday 18th October pm** - 3AH: Shipwreck Centre

\*Play clothes and comfortable shoes not wellies.

Christopher, Tyler, Harvey, Lily, Zayn, Caiden, Dylan, Malaika, Tayla, Ella R, Harvey, Logan E, Logan F, Scarlett and Keian-Lee.

### **Wednesday 19th October am** - 4MC: Nettlecombe Farm

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

Xachary, Maizy, Bradley, Harley, Thomas, Halle, Logan, Braiden, Elanor, Emmie, Jonny, Grace and Amy.

### **Wednesday 19th October pm** - 1KS: Borthwood Copse

Ellis, Amelia-Lily, Joe, Marleigh-Rose, Macie, Ava, Harry N, Edward, Arlo, Logan, Clay, Isabelle, Theo and Milania.



# 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 Served with Two Vegetables	Chicken Pie Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Roast Turkey Served with Roast Potatoes, Two Vegetables and Gravy	Beef Bolognese Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Two Vegetables	Fish Fingers Served with Chips and Two Vegetables
Vegetarian Sausage Served with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Served with Two Vegetables	Vegan Sausage Casserole Served with Two Vegetables	Vegetarian Bolognese Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Two Vegetables	Quorn Dippers Served with Chips and Two Vegetables
Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta	Jacket Potato or Tomato Pasta
Vanilla Ice Cream	Chocolate Sponge	Oat Cookie served with Fruit Slices	Apple Crumble served with Custard	Lemon Slice

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

**Please Note that lunches now costs £2.37 each.**

## French at Queensgate

# Coco La pomme



Bonjour!

Je m'appelle Coco et je suis une pomme.

Each week I will share with you a French word



**La fenêtre** (*Lah fen-et-ra*)

**Ouvrez la fenêtre!**

Open the window!

**Fermez la fenêtre s'il vous plaît.**

Close the window please.

**La fenêtre est très sale!**

The window is very dirty!

## 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](mailto: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.

How is your child's attendance affecting their learning?	
Below 84%	Such very low attendance is seriously slowing their learning and development
85-89%	Attendance is low and is affecting your child's learning
90-95%	Below average – please aim to increase attendance next term
96%	In line with national averages
97-100%	Very good – your child is being given every chance to do well



**Whole School Attendance this week is 95.47%**

**KS1 Class with best attendance this week is RAB with 94.7%**

**KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 5TS & 4BM with 98.1%**



## Sports Reports

On **Wednesday 5th October**, the **Year 6** girls team travelled to Carisbrooke for the first round of the under 11's girls' cup. The girls were very enthusiastic and were looking to progress to the next round. The first half kicked off and the girls made a fast start by taking the lead early on. However, after a quick couple of goals from Carisbrooke, the girls trailed 2-1 at half time. The team had high hopes of turning the score line around in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, but unfortunately Carisbrooke scored another 2 goals and the girls lost the game 4-1. There were many positives to take from this game but plenty of room for improvement. The team has another soon, so hopefully they can bring home the win for Queensgate there.

On **Friday 7th October**, the **Year 5** boys took on Lanesend in the first round of the cup. The boys went into this match off the back of a 5-0 defeat to The Bay a couple weeks ago, so were hopeful to turn things around. The game began and straight away from the off it was highly competitive football from both sides. Queensgate had a couple chances in the first half however failed to convert any, meaning a goalless first half. The second half kicked off and Queensgate slowly began to dominate. After many chances missed Max E finally scored the first and only goal of the game leading to a 1-0 Queensgate win. The boys showed great resilience to win this game and overall it was a better performance. Well done boys!

On **Wednesday 12th October**, the **Year 6** girls team travelled to Haylands in the first round of the cup. The game kicked off at 3:30pm and the girls got stuck in straight away. After 10 minutes, Queensgate unfortunately went a goal behind. Our girls had a couple of chances before half time, but failed to convert any. This meant they went into the break 1-0 down. The second half began and the girls were quick to make chances for themselves. It was a hard battled and high quality second half from both sides however Haylands came out on top. The final score was 2-0 to Haylands. Even though the girls lost, they showed great improvement from their last couple of games and look forward to their next match.

On **Thursday 13th October**, the **Year 4** boys had an away match against Gurnard. This was in the first round of the cup and the boys were hopeful to proceed to the next round. The game kicked off and the boys started well, getting stuck into tackles and defending well. Gurnard kept hold of the ball well meaning the boys had to defend for long periods of the first half. Even though they defended really well, the boys were 2-0 down at half time. Going into the second half the boys showed great resilience to start strongly, with a fantastic goal from Teddy B and a great penalty save from Artem Y. However, Gurnard showed great quality defeating Queensgate 4-1. This was a difficult game for the boys as Gurnard were very strong on the day, but they can use this as a learning curve. Their next game won't be until after half term now, so the boys have plenty of time to practice what we talked about as a team after the game, including passing and positioning. They should all be very proud of themselves for their performances so far this season, the team is going in the right direction to be very good in the future.

Our **Year 6** sports crew ran our first interclass sporting competition this week with Year 3. This was football based and the Year 6 crew were looking out for children who showed good sporting behaviour as well as refereeing the matches - bonus goals were awarded to teams for fair play, good communication and working together. Both Year 3 classes played well and the Year 6 were happy with how the competition went. Well done to 3PT who won this first interclass challenge of the year.

Last week, two **Year 5/6** Queensgate teams entered the Cowes cluster tag rugby competition. Both teams finished second place in their group and showed great improvement in their skills each game they played. The two teams were then drawn in the same group which meant they played against each other. Both teams played well and the B team finished second in this group with the A team finishing third. A special well done to the Year 5 boys who stepped in at the last minute and played extremely well.

## Opera Workshop – Tuesday 4/10 – all of year 6



‘What is opera?’ Create and Sing Pilot event hosted by Royal Opera House

Interactive live workshop introduced the children to ‘The Magic Flute’ and the characters Papageno and Papagena, Tamino, Pamina. The workshop included:

1. Teaching several vocal and drama warmups
2. Exploring some of the building blocks of opera
3. Empowering students to take on different roles
4. Hearing from professional opera singers
5. Learning (part of) a song and exploring how to stage it

Showcasing our work collectively through a digital culmination moment

### **Year 4 trip to Waitrose**

Next week, as part of their farming topic, Year 4 have been invited to visit Waitrose store to talk about produce and where it comes from. We will share some photos of each class in next week’s newsletter.

### **Half Term Holiday**

Next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October we break up for the half term holiday and return to school on **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Please note it is only one week this year.

### **And finally...**

Have a lovely weekend. As always, please remember to Read, Chat and Play with your child or children and we will see you all on Monday morning!

**Best wishes,**

**Samantha Sillito**

**Headteacher**

ARE YOU READY?  
IT'S TIME FOR THE...

# QUEENSGATE PUMPKIN & SCARECROW

FESTIVAL 2022

## WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT

- An 8 day Pumpkin and Scarecrow Trail around East Coves - starting on October 24th.
- Competition for best scarecrow and best pumpkin with a top prize! - judged by the public!
- Free activity booklet/sheet including a Pumpkin scavenger hunt\* for every child at Queensgate Primary!



## DON'T MISS IT

**MONDAY 24TH OF OCTOBER -  
TUESDAY 1ST OF NOVEMBER**

Enjoy a memorable family get-together this autumn

\*50p to enter the hunt and vote for your favourite scarecrow/pumpkin

FURTHER INFORMATION :



QUEENSGATE PTFA



CLASSLIST

# ENTRY FORM

— QUEENSGATE PRIMARY PTFA AUTUMN TRAIL  
2022



## REGISTRATION FORM

Entry prices (please include in an envelope with your form):

-£1 per scarecrow entry

50p per pumpkin entry

Date :

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Entry type

Scarecrow

Pumpkin

BOTH

Please state if you have more than one entry e.g if you'd like to enter 3 pumpkins and 1 scarecrow.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Adults Name :

Child's Name :  Class name :

Full Address :

Postcode :

E-Mail :

Once entry forms are received we will allocate your entries with a number (This will be done through an email) - Please have this number displayed next to your pumpkin or scarecrow so people know what to vote for. This can either be on a piece of paper near your display or carved into the pumpkin or attached to the scarecrow in some way.

Please have your scarecrow or pumpkin in your front garden/by your front door. However as the competition will be on over Halloween please may I remind you that having a pumpkin outside on Halloween eve may encourage trick or treaters to knock so please remove them on that evening if you don't want any callers.

Your full address will not be shared with anyone and will only be used to make a map of the trail for the event. In this case we will be using approximate address points to guide people around East Cowes so they can view the entries and at no point will we disclose names of entries with addresses.

Applicants signature :

More Information :

## On classlist

PLEASE RETURN BY MONDAY 17TH OF OCTOBER

Cowes Town Council are inviting all Island schools to join in with a Graphics Competition to create a new logo and strapline for Cowes.

The logo should reflect not only the sailing aspects of Cowes, but also its many shoreside activities.

The judges will not be looking for perfectly executed artwork, but more for the best concept, so this is open to pupils of all ages.

Entry rules are attached.

There is a £250 prize for the winning entry.

If you do not think your art department would be interested in this, please could you pass this information on to your individual pupils.

Many thanks,

Cllr. Paul Bertie

### **COWES GRAPHICS COMPETITION 2022**

- 1.** This competition is administered by Cowes Town Council.
- 2. Background.** A meeting held by the newly formed Cowes Promotions & Marketing Group decided that the old Cowes logo and strapline shown below was a little outdated and that we should explore the possibility of getting a new logo and strapline, hence this competition.
- 3. Entries.** Entries must be in either an A4 or A3 format, landscape or portrait and can be in any medium you wish eg computer graphics, crayon, paint, etc.
- 4. Judging.** The judges will not be looking for perfectly formed graphics but more for a 'concept' which reflects the image of Cowes both with its maritime and yachting history but also the part it plays in this modern world. It could be that the judges decide on the imagery from one entry but a strapline from another entry.
- 5. Copyright.** The copyright of the winning entry/entries will become the property of Cowes Town Council and may be used for flags, banners, merchandise, letterheads, etc.
- 6. Prize Money.** The winning entry will win £250. This may be split if there are 2 winners.
- 7. Time Scale.** All entries must be received at the Cowes Town Council office by the end of December 2022. You must write your name and address and telephone number on the back of your entry, and if you are under 16 years of age, your age.
- 8. Contact.** Cowes Town Council, Northwood House, Ward Ave., Cowes, IOW, PO31 8AZ.  
Tel. 01983 209022. Email: [townclerk@cowestowncouncil.org.uk](mailto:townclerk@cowestowncouncil.org.uk)

**9. Old Logo:**





**Medina College**  
ASPIRE AND ACHIEVE

## Year 6 Students

Over the next few weeks we will be offering after school visits of the college.

If you were unable to attend our recent Year 6 Open Evening and would like to visit us, please call us on **01983 526523** or email **anna.mursell@iwef.org.uk**





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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 during the school day, 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.



Promotional Video



Prospectus



Year 7 Curriculum Book

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[www.cowesec.org](http://www.cowesec.org)

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**Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6<sup>th</sup> 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	6 <sup>th</sup> Form open evening 4pm
Cowes Enterprise College	Week commencing 17/10/2022	No specific dates, parents make appointments
Island Free School	8/10/2022	<b>10am-2pm</b> no need to make appointments for the open day. HT talk 11am, 12 noon and 1pm for which booking is required via <a href="https://www.theislandfreeschool.org/">https://www.theislandfreeschool.org/</a> before 4pm Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-k2RdYibGg9nzBJhdWXLbwre-YC4nZK/view">https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-k2RdYibGg9nzBJhdWXLbwre-YC4nZK/view</a>
	9/11/2022 <small>Note this has moved from 10/11/22</small>	6 <sup>th</sup> Form open evening 4-7pm
Ryde School	08/10/2022 & 04/02/2023	10-12.30pm Parents are requested to register via website <a href="https://www.rydeschool.org.uk/admissions/open-days-visits/">https://www.rydeschool.org.uk/admissions/open-days-visits/</a> or by emailing <a href="mailto:admissions@rydeschool.net">admissions@rydeschool.net</a>
	24/11/2022	6F open evening 6.30-9pm
	n/a	Thursday, 29 September 2022 1.30-3.30pm And 5pm-7pm
The Bay CE School	06/10/2022	Y6 open evening Presentation 5pm followed by tour Presentation at 6pm followed by tour
The Island VI Form	03/11/2022	6 <sup>th</sup> Form open 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: <a href="mailto:mail@prioryschool.org.uk">mail@prioryschool.org.uk</a>



# ASPIRE'S 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

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



Charity Number: 1163336

**ALL WEATHER**

# TAPNELL FARM

ISLE OF WIGHT

## PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

22nd - 30th OCTOBER

**GAMES & PRIZES**

PUMPKIN FLINGING!  
PICK YOUR OWN PUMPKIN PATCH!  
AXE THROWING!  
PUMPKIN CARVING  
LIVE MUSIC DAILY  
DRINKS & TREATS!

Standalone event in Event Barn - Small additional charges for some activities - Full details online

[www.tapnellfarm.com/events](http://www.tapnellfarm.com/events)

Includes over **£50** worth of savings to use across Tapnell Farm! See website for details

# TAPNELL FARM PARK

WINTER

## Season Passes

**JUST £28 PER PERSON!**  
Under 2's FREE

Valid from 3rd November 2022 - 24th March 2023  
Unlimited FREE ENTRY - See winter opening times on website

Transferable adult season pass when accompanying a child season pass holder (see website for full T&C's)

**ALL WEATHER FUN!**  
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Lots of great savings!

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**TUCK SHOP**

# Rock Solid Youth Group

For boys and girls in years  
**5-8**

Monthly Friday meet  
**19:15 - 20:45**

Table football, air hockey, table tennis, arts and crafts  
Prizes, refreshments & more

**Friday 14TH OCTOBER** 😊

At the Evangelical Church,  
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## 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)

### ENTRY FORMS FROM:

Waterstones, Newport

Sight for Wight, Carisbrooke

Dress for Less, Newport

Email: [admin@iwsb.org.uk](mailto:admin@iwsb.org.uk)



BETHANNIE HARE



DOMINIC MINGHELLA



MARK SIMMONS



RICHARD CADELL

For more information visit: [sightforwight.org.uk](http://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  
Registered charity number 1149415 Company limited by guarantee 6240404



## Gymnastics & Trampoline Fun Days! October Half Term Holiday Clubs!

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2022

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022

10:00 - 15:00 each day

Sea Cadets Cowes,  
Whitegates, Arctic Road, Cowes, PO31 7PG

£25 per Child for the Whole Day  
(£23 for Little Rocket Gymnasts)

Please Bring a Packed Lunch and Drinks and Wear Suitable  
Clothing (Leotard / Shorts & T-shirt and Socks)

A tuck shop for sweets and drinks will also be available

### HOW TO BOOK

Please go to <https://little-rockets.class4kids.co.uk> to  
book your place on line.

If there are any queries please contact Christy on  
07518 335319 - Thank you ☺

