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Queensgate Foundation  
Primary School

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# Platinum Jubilee Fun!

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Visit from the Mayor of East Cowes

Cllr Tracy Reardon, the mayor of East Cowes, will be visiting both assemblies next week. She will be visiting Key Stage 2 on Monday and Key Stage 1 on Tuesday. She will be talking about being mayor and telling the children about Jubilee events in their home town of East Cowes. She will also be bringing a gift for the children.

## Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations at Queensgate

Next **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May** will be a mufti day with a Jubilee theme. There will be a voluntary contribution of **£1** (in cash please). The children could dress as Kings or Queens or in red, white and blue or purple, which is synonymous with royalty and the Platinum Jubilee.

If the weather is good we will be having a parade around the field so that the children can see each other's costumes.

The morning will be spent learning about events from the Queen's reign.

We will be having a picnic lunch on the field and then playing games in the afternoon.

The two Focus Learners assemblies will go ahead as normal.

## Platinum Jubilee Events in East Cowes

Please see an advert on the page 8 for all of the events going on in the local area over the next few weeks to celebrate the Jubilee.

## PTFA Meeting

The next PTFA meeting is on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7 pm at The Lifeboat. It is a busy term for the PTFA with events like the Queensgate Summer Fair to organise. It would be great to have more people involved to share the workload. Please come along if you can.

## Year 6 Enterprise Project

The PTFA have provided the Year 6 children with £2 each. The Year 6 children now need to see if they can make some money. They may choose to work individually or with others. They may choose to involve their families. We are looking for the child or children who can make the most money from their £2. Our **Summer Fair is on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July** and the children may choose to run a stall at that event. The money raised will go towards their end of year leavers' hoodies. Have a chat to the children to see what ideas they have!



## Out & About

The Out and About group from **RSJ** had a fantastic time on the train on Tuesday morning. The children have been learning about different modes of transport so were treated to an exciting train journey from Ryde to Brading (and back) during their Out and About session. They loved going under bridges, through tunnels and changing platforms. The children enjoyed listening to train stories at the station whilst waiting for the next train. After their train ride they spotted lots of other types of transport and even got to watch the hovercraft depart.



The **6TS** Out and About team went Geocaching on Tuesday afternoon around Merstone old railway station and surrounding farmland. The children used their mobile phones to navigate, using GPS, to find five caches. They worked well as a team to read the hints and discover where they could be hidden. Well done 6TS!



On Wednesday morning half of **5RA** followed the Solar System Trail from Bonchurch to Ventnor. The children took it in turns to read and share facts about the different planets. They discussed how long the planets took to orbit the sun, their distance from each other as well as their comparative size (using different sports balls). The children were all keen to take part and represented the school very well.



The **4MC** 'Out and Abouters' demonstrated amazing resilience and determination when walking up to Tennyson Monument on Wednesday afternoon (against the clock!). Next half term, Year 4 will be learning about the Victorians and tourism on the Island. As they walked up the Downs we talked about the lives of influential Victorians who lived on the Isle of Wight and the life of Alfred Lord Tennyson. The children were all very proud of themselves for 'making it to the top' and the team were so very proud of them too!



The **Out and About club** visited Ryde beach. They had fun building sandcastles, digging holes and even having a little paddle in the sea together. It was brilliant to see children from different classes and year groups developing new friendships.

### **Out and About next week...**

Please ensure your child wears suitable play clothes (including jumper), comfortable walking boots / trainers and a waterproof coat or sun hat depending on the forecast.

#### **Tuesday 24th May am - RAB**

Beach

\*Please pack a spare outfit and towel

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

#### **Tuesday 24th May pm - 6LR**

Orienteering

\*Please bring wellies, walking boots or old trainers as it may be muddy!

Buddy, Natasha, Maisy, Owen, Brogyn, Ella, Ben, Sophie, Dylan, Eron, Lilly May, Rebecca, Riley and Arthur.

#### **Wednesday 25th May am - 5RA**

Bonchurch - Solar system walk

Ella, Rose, Freddy, Heaven-Lee, Jada, Roxy, Leo L, Leana, Lottie, Alfie R, Malachi, Jaymie and Ethan.

#### **Wednesday 25th May pm - 4MC**

Tennyson Downs walk

Farrah-Mai, Aribella, Amber-May, Gracie, Joe, Kiera, Summer, Evie, Elsie, Chloe Stay, Toby, Harrison, Jude and Olivia.

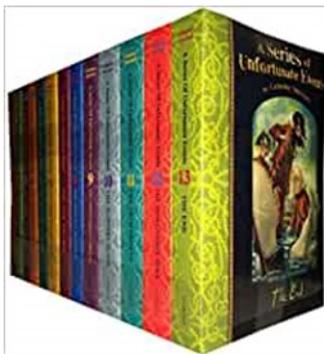
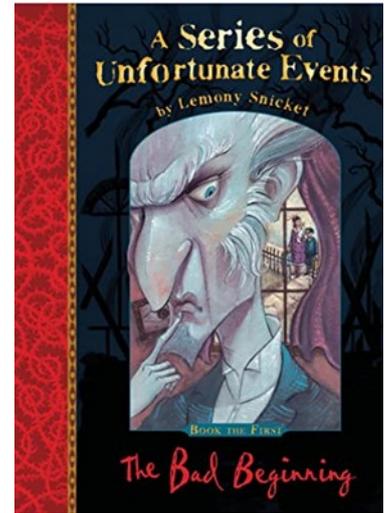
# Love reading?

Then try this....

Layla in 6TS and Maya in 4AH have been reading the same series of books and have teamed up to tell you why they think you should definitely read them. They absolutely love A Series of Unfortunate Events, written by Lemony Snicket. You should start with the first book in the series called The Bad Beginning.

In this story, the Baudelaire children called Violet, Klaus and Sunny face a terrible future as their parents have perished in a house fire. It sounds awful so far but don't worry, it gets worse for them! The poor children have a terrible time with their new guardian Count Olaf.

Even though awful things happen, Layla and Maya love the story because it makes your heart pound when mysterious things occur. New and unexpected events happen all of the time and whenever they stop reading, there's often a cliff hanger so it's really difficult to put the book down.



Books 1 to 10 are in our brilliant school library – come on in and borrow them today.

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 them here.

## We're here to help

With the half term coming up and the rise in the cost of living, we wanted to remind all families that the foodbank is available to support you.



Mrs Jeffers is able to give out vouchers for any family, regardless of work / benefit status.

Collection points are in Newport, Ryde and Cowes.

Please give Mrs Jeffers a confidential call on 292872, see her on the Year 3 / 4 door in the mornings or email her at [ajeffer@queensgateprimary.co.uk](mailto:ajeffer@queensgateprimary.co.uk) and she'll be happy to help where she can.

## Tesco Community Grant for Queensgate Sensory Garden



Don't forget, the Queensgate Sensory garden project is currently up against other community projects in stores across the Island.

Until **30th June**, people shopping will be given a token and asked to put it in one of the project boxes. The winning project (the one with the most tokens) will get a £1,500 grant, 2nd place will get £1,000 and 3rd place £500. Obviously, we would love to win the £1,500.

So if you shop in Tesco or know anyone who does, then spread the word, that until 30th June, please put the token into the Queensgate container!



Every little helps!



## 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	Chinese Chicken Noodles	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips	<b>Jubilee Picnic lunch</b> (pre order only)
Vegetarian Sausage with Mashed Potato and Gravy	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Butternut Squash and Potato Pastry Slice with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Veggie Burger with Chips	(You can book a lunch by phoning school <b>BEFORE</b> 12pm on Monday)
Peas and Carrots	Sweetcorn and Broccoli	Carrots and Cabbage	Baked Beans and Peas	
Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Fruity Flapjack Bar	Strawberry Ice Cream	Crispy Crackle Bar	

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

### Bike and Scooter Helmets

Please can we remind all parents how important it is for your children to wear helmets if riding to school on bikes or scooters. Beatrice Avenue and surrounding roads are all busy roads and care needs to be taken. A helmet can and will help protect from serious injury as opposed to not wearing one. Please encourage your children to wear one and talk about the benefits of doing so. Thank you.



## QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP

### **Tennis Tournament**



The children were split into two teams of four - Queensgate A and Queensgate B. They each played against each other, Lanes End and Holy Cross. The games each lasted about 5 minutes and the object was to score as many points as they could. At the end of time the team with the most points won and earned a game point. At the end of all the games Queensgate A had the most game points so won the tournament. Well done to all.

### **Music Tuition for September 2022**

We are looking into organising some small group and individual instrumental lessons for pupils in the next academic year and need to find out how many children might be interested in this. The lessons would be priced as follows:

- a) £5 per week for a 20 min lesson with three in a group
- b) £9 per week for a 15 min individual lesson
- c) £12 per week for a 20 min individual lesson

If there was enough interest, we would be looking to offer piano, guitar and drumming lessons. Children would be leaving class to attend these lessons during the day and parents would need to think about purchasing an instrument for their child eventually if it is something they want to commit to long term. (You do not have to own an instrument to try the classes.)

If your child is interested, please email Mrs Webb on [wwebb@queensgateprimary.co.uk](mailto:wwebb@queensgateprimary.co.uk) stating the full name of your child, their class, which instrument they are interested in learning and which lesson option you are interested in (a,b or c).

### **Clearing Accounts before Half Term**

As it is the end of term next Friday, please can you make sure that all monies outstanding on Scopay have been cleared. If your child is having school dinners next week - please pay for the whole week by **Wednesday 25th June**.

If you are having an issue with paying these please contact the school and let us know so that we can help in any way.

Many thanks

## Cricket Engagement Day



Many pupils that have come through Queensgate Foundation Primary School go on to great things. We always like welcoming back our ex pupils.

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May Daniel Cox will be returning to Queensgate to run a cricket engagement day for us. All classes in in KS 2 will get a 45 minute cricket lesson with Daniel. Please can all KS 2 children wear their PE kit on Thursday.

## Choir Rehearsals and Performances

As you know our school choir have been asked to sing in The Minster in Newport for the Platinum Jubilee service on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6 pm. The choir are required for a rehearsal on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 1:30 pm. Mrs Webb has sent a letter regarding the detail of this.

Our choir are also singing at Osborne House on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 5:30 pm. The choir will need to get to Osborne House for 4:40 pm for sound checks and rehearsals. Everyone is welcome to come and join in with the picnic and concert.

## SATs

This week our Year 2 children completed their SATs tests. Year 1 will be doing their phonics screen the first week back after the half term holiday, week beginning Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Some children in Year 2 will also be doing the phonics screen.

Year 4 will be carrying out their multiplication check week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June, so keep practising over the half term holiday.

## Year 4 Trip to Osborne House

Our Year 4 children will be studying the Victorian Era after the half term break and will be kicking off their topic with a trip to Osborne House – there is a separate letter with the detail of this outlined.

## And Finally...

Have a lovely weekend and as always please interact with your children through our mantra Read, Chat & Play. We look forward to welcoming all the children back for the final week of Summer 1 before the half term holiday starting on Monday 30th May.

**Whole school attendance 93.68%.**

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

**This week 3PT achieved 99.26% attendance! Well done.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**Best wishes,**

**Samantha Sillito**

**Headteacher**

# EAST COWES TOWN COUNCIL JUBILEE EVENTS



ALL EVENTS ARE FREE

April 30th –  
12th June  
Platinum Jubilee  
Beacon  
Trail

2nd June  
Watch Trooping The  
Colour at the Town Hall  
(check website for time)  
9.45pm: Jubilee Beacon  
Lighting at the  
Esplanade

3rd June  
Watch the Service of  
Thanksgiving  
at the Town Hall  
(check website for time)  
3.30pm: 40's Tea  
Dance at the  
Town Hall

4th June  
11.30am - 3pm  
Jubilee Market  
at the  
Esplanade

5th June  
12pm – 6pm  
Picnic in the Park at  
Jubilee Recreation  
Ground. Live Music &  
Entertainment. Bring  
your own picnic

For full details of these events see our website  
[www.eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.eastcowestowncouncil.co.uk) or call (01983) 299082



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[dynamoscricquet.co.uk](http://dynamoscricquet.co.uk)

Join us at:  
East Cowes Cricket Club, Beatrice Avenue, Whippingham

Session dates:  
Thursday 12th May - 30th June, 8 sessions

Session timings:  
17.45 - 18.45 To book- <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/dynamos/course>

Contact:  
[Eascowescricquetcolts@gmail.com](mailto:Eascowescricquetcolts@gmail.com) Annette Purser - 07970 824134

## Adult Learning Summer 2022

 [iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses](http://iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses)

 01983 817280

 [acl@iow.gov.uk](mailto:acl@iow.gov.uk)

 IWCACL



The Adult Community Learning Service summer programme is now out and we have a wide range of workshops and courses on offer including ICT, Art, Craft and Wellbeing. For more information and to book, head over to our new website pages [www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses](http://www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses) or call us on 817280.

Chelsea FC Soccer School

Dates: Mon 30th May – 1st June

Timings: 08:45 – 15:00.

Ages 5-12 years

Venue: Cowes Enterprise College, Crossfield Ave, Cowes PO31 8HB

[www.chelseasoccerschools.co.uk](http://www.chelseasoccerschools.co.uk)

Course Code: SS-CEC-IOW-31

**Amy Schofield**

**Independent Speech and Language Therapy**

Working with pre and school aged children

Bsc Hons, RCSLT, HCPC & ASLTIP Registered

Specialist Speech Therapist with 10 years of experience

I provide assessment, advice and therapy for children  
on the Isle of Wight

My specialism is in supporting children with speech sound difficulties

Please feel free to contact me for a complimentary 10 minute conversation to discuss your child and how I could help. It would be great to speak with you

**Tel: 07843 419730 Email: [amyschofieldslt@gmail.com](mailto:amyschofieldslt@gmail.com)**



# THE ROYAL JUBILEE COLOURING COMPETITION



We are excited to share with you a very special Platinum Jubilee competition on behalf of The Royal Hotel in Ventnor. We are inviting all young, budding artists from across the Island and beyond to take part in a Royal colouring competition. Entries will be judged in 3 categories, Age 3-6, 7-9, 10-12. Each category will be judged by Team Royal with 3 winners receiving a £15 Amazon voucher. In addition an overall winner will be chosen by a public vote on Facebook and will be awarded a Jubilee family afternoon tea at The Royal for you and your immediate family.

To enter simply apply your artistic talents to our Royal Platinum Jubilee Crown and ask your parent or carer to send your entries to us either via post at:

The Royal Hotel  
Belgrave Road  
Ventnor  
Isle of Wight  
PO38 1JJ

Or send a photo of your entry to: [Enquiries@royalhoteliow.co.uk](mailto:Enquiries@royalhoteliow.co.uk)

Or even better, ask your parent or carer to share your masterpiece with us on social media by tagging our pages here:

**Facebook:** @TheRoyallOW

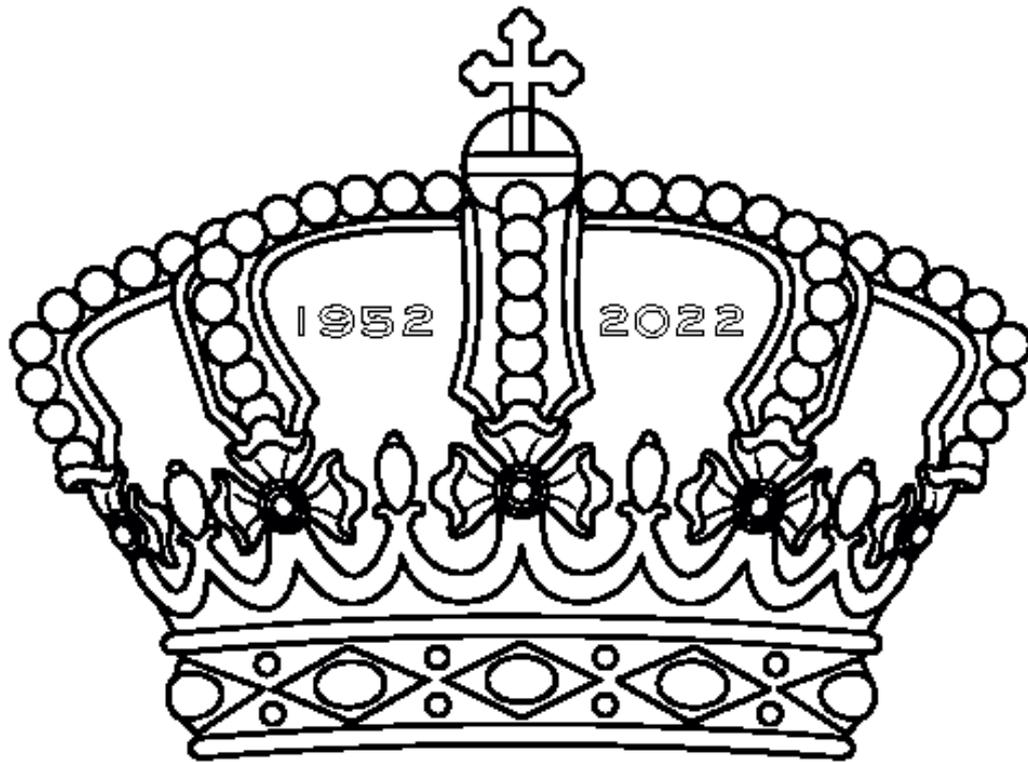
**Instagram:** @theroyaliow

We look forward to sharing the Queens Jubilee with a lucky winner. Entries must be received by Friday 3rd June 2022 to be accepted and the winners will be announced on Monday 6th June 2022.

[WWW.ROYALHOTELIOW.CO.UK](http://WWW.ROYALHOTELIOW.CO.UK)

01983 852186

# THE ROYAL



# PLATINUM JUBILEE

COLOURED BY:..... AGE.....

CONTACT INFO..... (PLEASE CIRCLE AN AGE GROUP): 3-6 7-9 10-12

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RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2.**

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## 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:** [eastcoweslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:eastcoweslibrary@gmail.com)

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

**Phone:** 01983 299082

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OFFICIAL CELEBRATION FOR COWES



JUBILEE PICNIC IN THE PARK

12PM-5PM SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2022  
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ALL THE INFO AT [WWW.NORTHWOODHOUSE.ORG](http://WWW.NORTHWOODHOUSE.ORG)

# 2022 Queens Platinum Jubilee Picnic in the Park Fun Dog Show

at Northwood House and Park

Sunday 5th June

All dogs welcome  
From Best Puppy to Waggiest  
Tail there is a class for all

Entry from 11.30 on the day  
£2.00 per class entry

CLASSES START FROM 2PM  
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More info at [www.northwoodhouse.org](http://www.northwoodhouse.org)



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