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Goodbye Mr Giles

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today is the day we say good-bye to **Mr Giles**. Mr Giles started teaching in 1985 and has spent the last twelve years at Queensgate since our school very first opened. Mr Giles has been an excellent class teacher – one that children remember fondly. Only this week people have come back to Queensgate with memories and tales of times when they were in his class. I have done so many tours over the last twelve years where the parent I am showing around has said, “I know Mr Giles. He taught me.”

In addition to his class teaching Mr Giles has been PE subject leader at Queensgate for the last twelve years. He has ensured that PE is high on the agenda and is taught well across the school.

Queensgate have won many trophies and tournaments under Mr Giles’ leadership. In the last week alone we have been successful in winning three cricket trophies and have, once again, achieved the Platinum Award for sport, the highest sporting achievement a school can get.

As well as ensuring PE and sport were outstanding at Queensgate, Mr Giles has worked tirelessly for sport across the Isle of Wight being heavily involved in both cricket and football. This was recognised earlier this year in an outstanding achievement award for his contribution to sport.

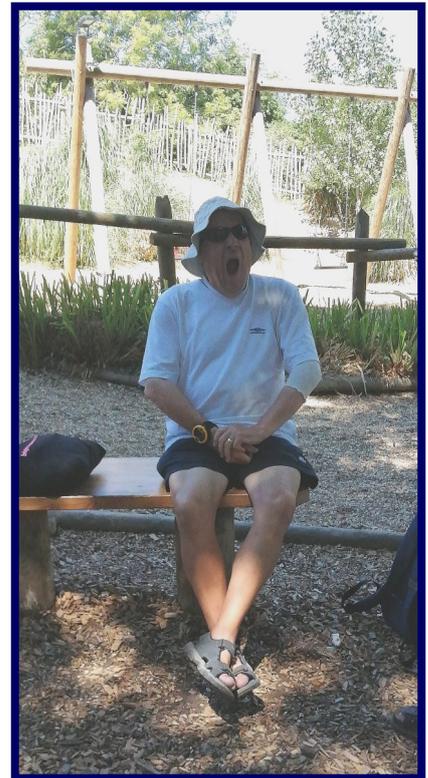
I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Mr Giles. He has been fun and dedicated. Queensgate will miss you Mr Giles!

Mr Giles is going on to be Principal of Yarmouth Sailing Club.

The song words we wrote for Mr Giles (sung to the tune of “We are Sailing” by Rod Stewart) are on the next page.

We also said our goodbyes to **Mrs Lloyd** and wished her well in her new adventure. Mrs Lloyd has been a teaching assistant for the past 18 years - the last 12 at Queensgate since it was opened. She has taught across the whole age range within the school. She also progressed to become a Higher Level teaching Assistant (HLTA) within her time at Queensgate. She now leaves us to become a carer for elderly people within the community, which she will be amazing at. We wish her all the best and thank her for years of service at Queensgate.

Goodbye and good luck!



Mr Giles' Leaving Song (To the tune of "I am Sailing" by Rod Stewart)

Mr Giles you're retiring,
You can sit back and relax.
Wear your shorts and go off sailing,
Eat your favourite cheesy snacks.

Mr Giles super sports fan,
You love football, cricket too,
Planning fixtures, coaching children,
It's outstanding what you do.

Mr Giles your jokes are awful,
And your dancing's pretty poor,
Tidy classrooms aren't your forte,
You wind up Mrs Adams next door.

Mr Giles what a teacher,
You interrupt us when you can,
And you plan some awesome lessons,
Super hero..... GILES MAN!

Can you hear us? Can you hear us?
We just want to let you know,
All of us think you're amazing,
And we'll miss you when you go.

Mr Giles you're retiring,
You can sit back and relax,
Wear your shorts and go off sailing,
Eat your favourite cheesy snacks,
Go off sailing and relax,
Eat your favourite cheesy snacks.



Family support – Mrs Jeffers

I will be in work on 10th August and 31st August for family support. Please contact me over email and I will call you back on one of these dates. Ajeffers@queensgateprimary.co.uk

Financial support

If you are struggling financially over the holidays please access the following website for information. [Islehelp.me](http://islehelp.me).

I am able to support with food bank vouchers on the dates listed above. Alternatively, anyone can access East Cowes food pantry <https://islefindit.org.uk/item/community-pantries/>

Mental health support

For anyone needing support with their mental health over the holidays please see the website below which has information for support services including details for the crisis line.

<https://www.iwmentalhealth.co.uk/>

Children's mental health support

If you are concerned about your children's mental health please contact the GP or 111 out of hours.

For information and support you can also access support from <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

Parenting support

We appreciate that the summer holidays can feel like a long time! For support please access one of the websites below or call your local Barnardos family centre.

<https://www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk/>

<https://www.iowyouthtrust.co.uk/>

Safeguarding

If you are concerned for the welfare of a child, please contact Hants direct 0300 300 0117. (This number is for the general public and runs 24 hours a day).

In an emergency always contact the police by dialling 999.

Kind Regards

April Jeffers

Inclusion Assistant

Queensgate Primary School

(01983) 292872 ext 214



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Mrs Arnell and Miss Crockford

Mrs Arnell will be out of school in the first half of the Autumn term for recovery from an operation. Her replacement is Miss Crockford who some of the Year 1 parents who attended the Showcase evening would have met. However, here is a little more information from Miss Crockford herself!



My name is Miss Crockford and I am so excited to have the chance to teach you this year! We are going to do so many **FUN** things and of course, we will learn a lot too!

I think it is very important to work **together** as a class. We will be spending a lot of time together, so it is important to treat each other with respect, kindness and compassion. I know that each of you have a different brain, which means that you think and learn differently. It is my job as your teacher to help you grow as a learner and as a person of good character.

Want to know a little more about me? Here are a few of my **FAVOURITE** things:

Colour: Yellow and orange
Season: Autumn
Book: Harry Potter
Drinks: Tea and Water
Hobbies: Swimming
Animal: Dogs and Elephants
Things I like to do: Spend time with my family and friends.

There is so much that I'm looking forward to this year! In Year 2, we will be learning all about animals and their habitats, different cities and locations in the UK, the oceans of the world and much more. One of my favourite things to teach is maths. We will do so many fun, practical lessons together!

I am looking forward to meeting you, your families and learning about all your **FAVOURITE** things. See you in September! Miss Crockford



What's for dinner next year?

(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	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
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	Quorn Hot Dog with Potato Wedges	BBQ Veggie Burger with Chips
Peas and Carrots	Sweetcorn and Broccoli	Carrots and Cabbage	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Baked Beans and Peas
Oatie Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Fruity Flapjack Bar	Strawberry Ice Cream	Chocolate Sponge Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Crispy Crackle Bar



QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP

After weather thwarted the KS2 Sports Day on Tuesday, both **Sports Days** were held on Wednesday. These were adapted to suit the conditions and to ensure that children did not overheat or were exposed to the warm conditions for too long. There were some super races from ALL competitors; every child scored points for their country - and when you see how close the results were, all children should be proud of their efforts. In KS1, Kenya were 3rd, Norway 2nd and Australia 1st; in KS2 Canada were 3rd, Brazil were second and by just one point, India were the winners. Special mention must be made of the huge contributions of the Year 6 children who helped/guided the KS1 children, Mr Chubb who kept up with all the scoring, Mrs Sillito who started all the races so efficiently and Miss Hunter for her humorous commentary / singing. To the PTFA for providing much needed refreshments. Finally, none of the above would have happened without the brains behind the operations, Miss Radcliffe, assisted by Mr Gwilliam. This was my last sports day and it was very memorable – thank you to all the children and my colleagues. There were two records broken this year, well done Halle and Denys - great effort.

KEY STAGE	EVENT	NEW RECORD HOLDER	TIME OR MEASUREMENT
2	YR 3 GIRLS 60M	HALLE MCDONALD	9.89
2	YR 3 BOYS 100M	DENYS YERSHEV	13.90

Under 11 Cricket; the hastily rearranged Incrediball final took place at Bembridge. The original 4 team final on Monday was postponed due the weather conditions so a straight final was held instead. Queensgate were put into bat and although runs were had to collect, a final score of 232-3 seemed useful. In reply, the game was in the balance throughout but Bembridge just needed 10 of the final over. However, three Bembridge wickets fell as they ended on 210-6 and thus a 22 run victory for Queensgate – low scoring games never disappoint. This has been an incredible cricket season with the school ending with 3 IOW Cricket winning trophies.



Well done to all children who have represented the school in fixtures this year – you have been a huge credit to yourselves, your family and your school.

So, I arrive at my final newsletter piece; as I write, I am really not too sure what the children or my colleagues are plotting for my final day – probably just as well. But what I do know is that after nearly 38 years of teaching, my last 12 at Queensgate have been most enjoyable, both inside and outside the classroom. The children on the sports field have been awesome and this has culminated in the school being awarded the Platinum Award – the highest available. The support from children and parents have made my job very rewarding; of course, any organisation is only as good as it is led and believe me, this school is incredibly well led by Mrs Sillito and supported by a fabulous team of colleagues.

So thank you Queensgate – good luck, health and happiness for the future.

Mr Giles

Thursday's Child

What a show! I was so impressed with the Year 4 and Year 5 children who were part of this show. Miss Croutear came to me with the idea and about the message that it portrayed, and how it supported Unicef. I did worry about the length of time there was to put on such a show - but I didn't need to worry. Due to the hard work of Miss Croutear, Miss Mawudoku, Mrs Norsworthy, Mrs W Webb and some external helpers, plus of course the dedication of the children themselves, all practises were carried out after school. All of the effort paid off as it was a wonderful play with the singing being particularly strong.



Brooke - Our first song was called Killing time - we had to learn all the words and some dance moves. The whole play was really fun to learn and do.

Malix - I was annoyed that I didn't get a talking part at first, but then I did, and it made me happy! I liked doing expressions in the songs and when I was talking. I learnt the whole script and every song! I loved the play!

Roxy - Before we showed the play to everyone we got a smoke machine. I didn't know what it was (I thought it might be a light projector), then Seb told the stage crew how to use it. It really added atmosphere.

Lottie - See the Day was my favourite song. It was about the children planning to escape the prison (or not). I liked the tune and I had a solo part in it— which I was scared about doing but proud after I had performed it.



Ella - my favourite song was sweep the area for mines song—we had to take each step in time with the music. I also like Killing Time because it was very jammy. I enjoyed the play very much.

Elise - I was in the army and we had our own song. We were told to sweep the area for mines and we had to fine then, then the bomb went off and although it was serious it was great fun!

Gracie - Fear in the Darkness was about the children being scared and feeling that they would never feel safe. However at the end of the play the children were adopted and lived happily ever after.



Amber J - my favourite song was Once Upon a When - this was about when the children in the play had their parents and their future looked bright and worth waiting for. It was emotional.

Jada - I sang and danced with Leanna on the song Naming of the Children. We both did our solo parts while we grabbed the children, then did our dances together at the end. We worked hard to put all the songs together.

Working together for a successful future

NHS encourages children aged between 5 and 15 years to get their COVID-19 vaccine over the summer break

Children aged 5 to 15 years can receive two doses of the vaccine and given the rise in COVID in the community over recent weeks, it is important to help protect them and the people they meet before winter.

Children aged 5 to 11 are offered two smaller doses than older children and adults, with a gap of 12 weeks between doses. They can get their jab from many easy to reach locations including walk-in clinics, bookable appointments, or their local pharmacy. Parents and guardians can book an appointment or find their nearest walk-in clinic and time at www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination. We understand that some parents may have questions or concerns about getting their child or themselves vaccinated. If you would like to talk to someone about this, please contact the Hampshire and Isle of Wight NHS vaccination helpline on [0300 561 0018](tel:03005610018).

Miss Jenkins

Miss Jenkins is getting married over the Summer holidays and will return as Mrs Dye. We wish her many congratulations for her wedding day.

Goodbye Year 6

We said good bye to our Year 6 cohort today. They had their leavers' assembly this afternoon and received their 2022 leavers hoodies. They spent the day collecting signatures in their leavers book and on their old PE shirts. We wish them all the best in their secondary schools.

Good Luck Year 6

And finally...

I wish you a very safe, relaxing and peaceful summer holiday. I would like to thank you for your continued support this year. We are very much hoping that next year can be another uninterrupted year - and we can once again get the school attendance up to the 96% target rate.

Please continue to chat, read and play with your children over the summer and we shall see you all again on Monday 5th September at 8.40am.

Whole school attendance 93.9%.

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

This week 4MC achieved 99.63% attendance!

Well done.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,



Samantha Sillito

Headteacher

★ NEWPORT CARNIVAL DAY 2022 ★

CELEBRATING
100 Years

Saturday 23rd July
St Thomas' Square PO30 1SQ

FREE TO
ATTEND!



David Randini
ISLE OF WIGHT'S FAMOUS MAGICIAN
10:30 & 13:15



Scots Guards Association
PIPES & DRUMS
12:00



Titan the Robot
AS SEEN ON BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT
11:00, 12:30 & 14:00

Market Stalls
from 09:00

Raffle
drawn at 16:00

Tombola

Buskers

2p Trail

Then join us for...

The Grand Carnival Procession

Featuring Shademakers & Ventnor Comic Jazz Band... as seen on TV

Departing Church Litten at
7pm



newportcarnival.com

Play Junior Rugby



Boys and Girls

New players welcome from September

Teams and age groups

- Under 6s (Year 1) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00
- Under 7s (Year 2) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00
- Under 8s (Year 3) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00
- Under 9s (Year 4) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00
- Under 10s (Year 5) - Venue SSRFC (Sandown) Fridays 16:15-17:30
- Under 11s (Year 6) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:30
- Under 12s (Year 7) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:30

*Please note there may be slight changes to times when the season starts

Returning every Sunday from 4th September 2022.

Sessions are all delivered by experienced coaches with first aid qualifications and DBS Checks.

Register your interest for September 2022 at www.vectisrugby.co.uk or email:

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Getting Ready for School Nurturing Young Brains Workshop



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Child

Ready
Family

Ready
School

Workshops throughout the year
Book a free place now on Eventbrite:
<https://iowfamilycentres.eventbrite.co.uk>

A recent survey shows that 71% of parents
feel anxious about their child starting school.
It is quite natural to feel this way

During this workshop we'll look at
**Brain development; Learning at home; Play;
Early independence; Routines and more**

How to get in touch and find out more

Find us on Facebook: Isle of Wight Family Centres

Email us: iowfamilycentres@barnardos.org.uk

Call us: 01983 529208 / 617617 / 408718

<https://families.barnardos.org.uk/>

Isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk

Barnardo's
Family Space



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Public Workshops

Overcoming Low Mood and Depression

 is a wellbeing organisation
designed to empower you to become
the best version of yourself



Tuesday July 19th 1:30 - 3 pm



Freshwater Methodist Church
2 Brookside Road, PO40 9AN

Gain skills to improve your wellbeing and unlock your potential

This workshop is open to the public. Attendees must be over the age of 18.

We hope to see you there!



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ADHD Resources and Links

Books for Children and Parents

Galvin, M (1988), *Otto learns about his medication*, Magination Press, New York

Moss, D Shelley, *The Hyperactive Turtle*, Woodbine House

Gehret, Jeanne, *Eagle Gyes: A child's view of Attention Deficit Disorder*

Quinn P, Stern, J *Putting on the Brakes*

Quinn P, *The Putting on the Brakes Activity Book for Young People*

Nadeal, K, Dixon, E *Learning to Slow Down and Pay Attention*

Kreus, J (2022), *Cory Stories: A kid's book about living with ADHD*, Magination Press, New York

Quinn P, Stern, J *50 Games and Activities for Kids with ADHD*, Magination Press, New York

Green, C Dr, Chee, K Dr, *Understanding A.D.H.D, A Parents Guide to Understanding Attention Deficit Disorder*

Daley, D, Sonuga-Burke, E J S, et al, *Step by Step Help for Children with ADHD*

Links for Parents and Teachers

www.adhd.foundation.org.uk

The ADHD Foundation, in partnership with individuals, families, doctors, teachers and other agencies to support them to understand and manage ADHD.

www.addis.co.uk

The website of the National Attention Deficit Disorder Information and Support Service. It contains general information as well as articles relating to ADHD, and comprehensive information on the books and resources available.

www.addrs.org

This website is run by two parents of a child with ADHD, and contains general information, useful links and information on support groups etc.

<https://www.additudemag.com/disruptive-behavior-solutions-classroom-home/>

<https://www.additudemag.com/keeping-kids-accountable/>

<https://www.additudemag.com/classroom-rules-that-work-for-students-with-adhd/>

https://www.additudemag.com/download/adhd-strategies-for-teachers/?src=embed_link

<https://www.additudemag.com/download/explaining-adhd-to-teachers>



CEOP Education

Supporting you to help protect children and young people from online sexual abuse

Network Member Update

Over the summer we will be covering a different online safety topic each week on our social media channels, helping parents and carers to **learn** more, **talk** to their children and take **action** together. Posts will support parents and carers with articles, activity sheets and videos on the following topics:

- Cyber security
- Social media
- Gaming
- Live streaming
- Sharing images online
- Watching videos online

Signpost the parents and carers you work with to our social media channels:

Twitter: [@CEOPUK](#) **Facebook:** [Click CEOP](#) and follow the [#CEOPSummerSafety](#) to stay informed.

HELP! *Story Competition*

Our Bear Needs You



Bear kindly donated by Paul Sivell

Can you give our bear a name and write a story about him?

The winning story will take pride of place, along with the bear, on the chosen site. Visitors will be able to listen to your story as they walk around the site.

How To Enter

1. Choose one of the Gift to Nature sites as the setting for your story. (Find all our sites on www.gifttonature.org.uk)
2. Choose a name for the bear.
3. Write your story and send it to Gift to Nature.

Competition open to children under 12 years of age. Submit your entries to: rachael.ardley@naturalenterprise.co.uk
Deadline for entries: 30th September '22

natural enterprise


Gift to Nature



Loving our local countryside