

## Queensgate Christmas Fayre

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Mufti and Christmas Fayre Day on Friday

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> December the children are welcome to come to school in their own clothes. Please don't send the children to school in high heels though, as these are not practical for school life!

Instead of bringing money, we would like the children to bring in items to help make our Christmas Fayre a success! The children need to bring the following items into their classrooms on Friday.

Today we sent home a cake box with each child (courtesy of Simon at IW Packaging, Eurovines) Please could the children fill the cake box with cakes or biscuits and send it back to us next Friday?

Please could the children also bring in some chocolate for our chocolate tombola? Remember no nuts!

Please could the children bring in toiletries, for example, bubble bath, shower gel or soap? The toiletries will be used to make up hampers for sale at the Fayre.

Please could the children also bring in a decorated jar with a gift inside? Here is your step by step guide:

- \* Find a jar (jam, coffee, chocolate spread etc.)
- \* Wash it out
- \* Fill it with something nice (sweets, rubbers, colouring pencils, small gifts)
- \* Decorate the outside – make it look really good; there is a prize for the best design per year! Please make sure that the children's names and class are on the jar so they can be judged!



As well as getting the children organised we also need people to help on Friday morning. We need parents and carers to support the PTFA in labelling up items for raffles and tombolas.

Please come to the front office after you have dropped your children off.

We also need help on the stalls. Please can you let Mrs Rorich or me know if you can help run a stall.  
Many thanks

## Christmas Fayre

Once all the organisation is done we can enjoy the Fayre! The Christmas Fayre starts at 2.30 pm on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November**. You may pick the children up at 2.30 pm from the back doors as usual. Then walk them round and come in the front door. We will not release the children without a parent or carer with them. It is free to come into the Fayre!



Father Christmas will be to the left of the front door in his grotto (speech and language room); there will be a variety of stalls including sand art, face painting and Friends of the Animals; there will be a café in the dining room and the raffles and tombolas will be in the hall.

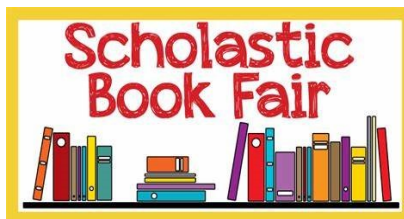
The children have been busy making things to sell at the Fayre. The class stalls will also be in the hall too.

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has sent in raffle prizes. These include:

- \* Jade Garden - £30 voucher
- \* Isle of Wight Railway family pass
- \* Robin Hill
- \* Kathy's Card shop
- \* Red Funnel
- \* Briddlesford Farm - breakfast for 2
- \* Lunch Box – tea and cake
- \* Tapnell Farm
- \* Indulge in Ryde



## Book Fair



As well as the Queensgate Christmas Fayre we also have the Scholastic book fair next week. This will be open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school from 3 until 4 pm. This is particularly good for Christmas presents as all of the books are half price! The book fair will be in the foyer. Come and have a browse.

## Focus Learner Assembly

Please note that due to our Christmas Fayre being on Friday our Focus Learner assembly will be on **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November** at 2.30 pm. Please sign in at 2.20 pm as usual.

## Maths Leaflets

You should have all received paper copies of 'Helping your child with maths', if you haven't or they have gone missing then they are available on the School's website under each year groups curriculum pages. These are easy to read leaflets that will make it clearer how you can help your children at home with maths. Please take time to read these.

# QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP



Cup football was at the fore this week.



**The Under Eleven Girls** played a match against Ryde School. The team had this game won in the first half after playing some good football and racing into a 3-0 lead. Ryde School pulled one goal back but the team scored a 4<sup>th</sup> goal to wrap up the win and secure a quarter final place at either Lanesend or Haylands. Final result - Ryde School 1 Queensgate 4.

**The Under Nine Boys** played away at Nine Acres Primary School in Newport. The team scored a comfortable win against a team fairly new to football. There were some cracking goals but there will be tougher matches to come – their quarter final opponents will be either Dover Park or Holy Cross. Final result - Nine Acres 0 Queensgate 8.



**The Under Nine Girls** team had their first ever match in what turned out to be a friendly as their opponents had some incorrect aged children. Although the team lost they scored the best goal, it turned out to be a useful warm up game for when they play their first league match next week.

## No Dogs on Site

Although some of us love dogs and are owners ourselves, many of the school community are not. Although to you your dog is completely friendly and well behaved, to some children (and adults) this is not always how they feel. Please can we remind you that the school is a dog free zone (apart from an organised event like at the Summer Fayre), this includes dogs that you carry. We would also appreciate it if you did not tie up your dog outside of the school either. Thank you for your understanding.



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## *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 New Potatoes	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sweet Chicken Curry with Rice	Fish in Batter with Chips
Vegetable Tagine with Couscous	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Vegetable Pasta Bake
Mixed Peppers Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad Peas	Cabbage Carrots	Sweetcorn Green Beans	Baked Beans Peas
Eves Pudding with Custard	Mandarins and Ice Cream	Chocolate Shortbread	Yoghurt Station Fruit platter	Banana Loaf

## OUT & ABOUT LEARNING

Children going Out and About must have appropriate play clothes (which you don't mind getting dirty) unless specified differently below.

**Tuesday morning - Year 4** (This term each group from Year 4 will be visiting a different seaside town to design their own postcard. Please ensure your child has play clothes, a waterproof coat and wellies. ) Kai B, Owen E, Riley G, Sophie L, Alfie L, Finn S, Alexis C, Marika F, Felix W, Layla L

**Tuesday afternoon - Year 6** (We're off orienteering in the forest so please bring suitable play clothes to change into at lunchtime, a waterproof coat and wellies. It will be very muddy! Meet at the front door ready to leave at 1pm) Abbie C, Harvey L, Ethan ?, Declan W, Kirsten F, Lewis J, Jack L, Ryan P, Maven C, Kyran P, Shaylei N, Thomas G, Hannah A, Lily-May Reeves

**Wednesday morning - Year 3** (We will be going to choose the school Christmas tree! Please come to school wearing play clothes, warm coat and wellies and bring your school clothes to change into after lunch.)

Jack E-J, Scarlett J, Kaydan J, Toby K, Leana M, Olivia P, Heaven-Lee E, Rachel F, Jada H, Alfie K, Henry M, Riley O'B

**Wednesday afternoon - Year 2** (We will be enjoying an Autumn walk near Bembridge airport. Please bring play clothes, a waterproof coat and wellies to change into after you've eaten your lunch.) Mason B, Jacob C, Zoe G, Harrison F, Sienna L, Lexie V, Harrison B, Hollie G, Lucas M, Evie S, Kiera W

On Tuesday morning the **Year 4** Out and About group continued their map work and geography of the Isle of Wight when they visited Totland. The children located where we were on the map and hiked up to the top of Headon Warren to sketch the view of The Needles. The children were amazed by the view! It was rather chilly sat on the downs amongst the gorse and heather so the children enjoyed a hot chocolate to warm up.



**Year 6** Out and About children were challenged to put their map reading skills into practise and lead the orienteering session in Firestone Copse on Tuesday. They led Mrs Piner and myself, Mrs Johnson, through lots of mud, across streams and off the beaten path until they successfully found their second orienteering marker! This helped to confirm their location and the next few posts were easily found. The children were all very enthusiastic and supported each other to get around the forest and back to the minibus in time.



The Year 3 Out and About visited the Longstone at Mottistone on Wednesday morning. They were a very energetic group and quickly walked up the steep path to the 6,000 year old (Neolithic) Stone Age burial ground. We recapped their knowledge of the three time periods within the Stone Age and



talked about how people would have lived. The children produced some super sketches of the stones and surrounding view, with the reward of a warm drink to help them defrost!

On Wednesday afternoon a group from Year 2 visited Bembridge Airport to tie in with their topic on the history of flight. The children were all very excited to watch a plane take off as we arrived. We



walked through the fields, past Bembridge Windmill and down to the runway to watch two more planes and a helicopter depart the airfield. The children got rather muddy on our walk and all enjoyed racing up the hills, climbing over stiles and through kissing gates.



### Clubs Next Week

Mr Giles has had to cancel football club on Monday afternoon.

Please note that due to preparations for the Christmas Fayre there will be no clubs on Thursday (apart from Year 6 Homework Club). We apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

### Positive Quote

*Success doesn't come from what you do occasionally it comes from what you do consistently.*

Thank you for your support at this busy time of year!

**Whole school attendance 96.24%.**

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

**This week 4AH achieved 100% attendance! Well done.**

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

**Samantha Sillito**

**Headteacher**

FREE NAVAL GAZING AT THE LAUNCH OF

NEW EXHIBITION **A TALE OF TWO SHIPWRECKS**

FREE entry morning at the Museum of Island History

Your archaeological finds identified

Meet the heritage service team

Craft activities for families

**MUSEUM of ISLAND HISTORY**

Guildhall, High Street,  
Newport, IW, PO30 1TY

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

01983 823433

Event organised by IW Heritage Service

Picture: Royal Navy officer's brass sword belt fitting

**Saturday**

**10am to 1pm**

**30 November 2019**



ENGLISH HERITAGE

**Carisbrooke Christmas Market**

10am – 6pm on Sat 16 & 10am-4pm on Sun 17 November 2019.

Enjoy a little festive cheer and pick up some unique gifts for friends and family, as we again host a locally sourced Christmas Market here at Carisbrooke Castle.

Bringing together traders from across the Isle of Wight to offer a unique variety, from handmade jewellery and fresh Christmas wreathes to fused glass, wooden crafts and leather goods. With over 25 local stallholders, there'll be something for all ages.

Beat the chill with a winter warmer from the guardroom, or take the children to meet the Christmas Elves, who have made a home-away-from-home in the Castle's drum towers for the weekend. Those with an appetite can tuck into delicious traditional sausages from an outdoor barbeque, or head inside from the wintry air for a hot drink in the castle tea room, open all day.

To keep you entertained we will have a wide range of performances from talented local people including local schools, throughout the weekend.

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**& LIGHTS SWITCH ON**

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Featuring: Medina Marching Band, Vectis Corp Drums  
& The Isle of Wight Highland Pipes and Drums

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON  
ST THOMAS' SQUARE AT 17:45**

**GET INVOLVED**

If you would like to enter as a group with lanterns or fancy dress get in touch...

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weekend

**Saturday 23 & Sunday 24 Nov**

**Craft Fayre**

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Festive food**

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# Christmas Fayre

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£3.00 to enter the competition (includes free tree)

Simply take your tree home, decorate it and return  
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