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## Queensgate Foundation Primary School



# Jubilee Fun at Queensgate!



Dear Parents and Carers,

### Jubilee Fun

Earlier in the week Tracy Reardon, the Mayor of East Cowes, came to visit Queensgate children in assembly. She brought with her some crowns for the children to colour in and some commemorative coins provided by the East Cowes Town Council. The children will bring their commemorative coin home this evening.



Today we had a parade on the field so the whole school could see each other's costumes. It was lovely to see so many of the children altogether outside, singing and dancing to the music and just looking so amazing. The County Press took this photo of the whole school from the roof. There are more photos on the next page too.



We also had a picnic lunch.

Mr Chubb and the School Council planted an Oak Tree at the front of the school, which was grown from an old oak tree from the East Cowes Castle Estate.

## Platinum Jubilee Day 27th May 2022



## Out & About

Next half term Our **Reception** classes will be exploring the topic, *The Seaside*. On Tuesday morning the **RAB** Out and About group visited St Helens Beach. The children enjoyed baking cakes in the 'sand kitchen', collecting shells, paddling in the sea, building sandcastles and listening to seaside stories. It was wonderful to see the children so immersed in their play.



The **6LR** Out and About team went orienteering around Firestone Copse on Tuesday afternoon. They practised using a compass to navigate to the different markers. The children demonstrated brilliant map reading and team skills, finding a total of 13 orienteering markers!



On Wednesday morning the **5RA** Out and About group followed the Solar System Trail from Bonchurch to Ventnor. The children learnt about each of the different planets, their distance from the sun and from each other. They compared the relative size of each of the planets using sports balls and modelled how the planets orbit the sun.



Year 4 will be learning about the increase in tourism on the Island during the Victorian era, after half term. The **4MC** Out and About children walked up to Tennyson Monument on Wednesday afternoon. The children showed great determination and resilience as they walked up the Downs (into a head wind!). They learnt a bit about Alfred Lord Tennyson and his life on the Island whilst having a biscuit at the top!



The **Out and About club** had fun walking around the castle wall and up to the Keep at Carisbrooke Castle on Wednesday after school. The children liked looking around Beatrice's garden and trying on the different helmets knights would have worn throughout the castle's history.



Out and About after half term...

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 7th June am - RAB Beach**

\*Please pack a spare outfit and towel

Lacey, Forest, Lorenzo, Lexi, Seb, Pippa, Brody, Eli, Charlie, Paisley, Ella-Rose, Clara, AJ, Kendall and Henry.

#### **Tuesday 7th June pm - 6LR Orienteering**

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

Blayne, Kayla, Summer P, Ashton, Alfie, Finn, Logan, Kai, Jaiden, Lily-Mae, Summer S, Matthew, James, George and Tony.

#### **Wednesday 8th June am - 5PG Planetarium visit**

Jazmine, Jaylen, Malix, Charlie, Jack EJ, Rachel, Eloise, Olivia-Mai, Emma, Ellie, Maria, Harry and Jamie.

#### **Wednesday 8th June pm - 4AH Seaside sketching**

Theo, Freddie, Lexie, Alayna, Archie, Oscar, James M, Felicity, Isabella, Rochelle, George, Toby, James D, Sienna and Emily.

# Love reading?

Then try this....

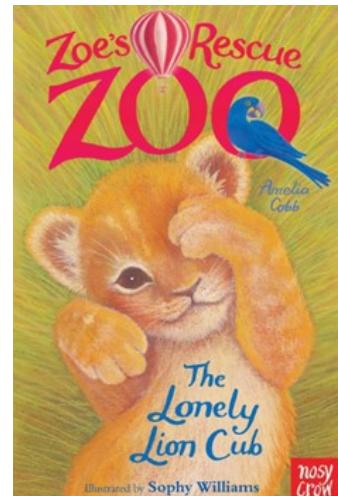
Bella in 4MC has been reading *The Lonely Lion Cub* which is part of the series; *Zoe's Rescue Zoo*. These books are written by Amelia Cobb.

This story is about a tiny abandoned lion cub that was rescued and brought to a zoo to be cared for. Bella says she felt really sad when she read this book because she loves animals. She also says don't worry though because it's a lovely story and there's lots of happy bits too.

The owner of the zoo has a plan to help the lion cub but it's not all easy going and there's some risky events that take place.

If you like animals, then this could be the book for you.

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.



## QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP

Cricket; the IOW Cricket board awarded Queensgate 'A Cricket Engagement Day' for Key Stage 2 classes. We were very lucky in welcoming back to Queensgate, former pupil Dan Cox, who led all the sessions, brilliantly. It was good to see all the pupils involved in some fielding skills and a batting game. Thanks Dan.

Meanwhile, the U-10 Cricket team had their first two fixtures in their competition in a three-way fixture at Newport C/E. In the first game, Newport rather got away from the team in scoring 270-1 and although the team battled hard, they ended 40 runs adrift on 230-4. However, in the second game, the team dominated St Thomas. Queensgate batted first scoring 272-1. In reply, the fielding (including three superb run outs) and some much improved bowling, kept St Thomas to 209-6 so a win by 61 runs.

Year 6 have been busy at sports - handball last week and tennis this week. In both competitions, players played a number of games and made steady improvements in their performances. All



players represented the school really well in both competitions and enjoyed themselves. For some, this was their first time representing the school in sports. Well done everyone.



## 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
Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Sausage and Mash with Gravy	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Lasagne with a Garlic and Herb Bread Wedge	Golden Fish Fingers
Veggie Bolognese	Mild Chickpea and Potato Curry	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Veggie Lasagne served with a Garlic and Herb Bread Wedge	Tomato Veggie Burger with Chips
Carrot Sticks and Cucumber Sticks	Broccoli and Peas	Carrots and Cabbage	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Baked Beans and Peas
Flapjack with Fruit Slices	Orange Shortbread with Fruit Slices	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake	Fruity Chocolate Brownie	Vanilla Ice Cream

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.

## 6TS Goes to Osborne

On Wednesday we went back to Osborne House to check up on our Jubilee flower bed. We went to see Ben's garden design and we helped the Osborne gardeners to plant some seedlings into his design. These were the seedlings that we helped to plant last month. We also did some more fun activities like measuring trees and searching for bugs with a magnifying glass.

Chloe



## Emergency voucher scheme for May half term

The Isle of Wight Council is offering one-off emergency vouchers to families in need of emergency support with food for the May half term holiday 2022.

The vouchers will be issued directly to eligible families who must apply to the council themselves.

To apply or check eligibility contact the Covid Helpline 01983 823600

Applications are open until 4pm on Wednesday 1 June.

The scheme is available to:

- Families eligible for benefits related to school meals,
- Children with a social worker,
- Children open to early help,
- 2 - 4 year-olds eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium

Vouchers will be issued at the value of £15 per child for the week and only for the May half term period. Eligible people will receive a voucher that can be redeemed at local supermarkets.

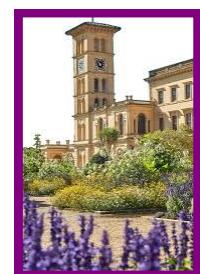
## Benji Blog



This week Benji has been practicing 'mindfulness' looking for four-leaf clovers, away from the busy school environment. Unfortunately, Benji wasn't lucky enough to find any with four leaves, although he did have great fun!

## 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. We will be meeting at Queensgate on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 4:45pm to drive over together. 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.

## After the Holiday...

Year 4 will visiting Osborne House on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June to kick start their Victorian Era work.

Year 1 children will be carrying out their phonics screen, as will some of Year 2.



Our assembly theme will be Changes.

The Library Van will be visiting on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June we will put all of the dates for the second half of the summer term in the newsletter. It is going to be a busy one!

## Finally...

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy week celebrating the Platinum Jubilee. School starts on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 8:40 am.

**Whole school attendance 93.72%.**

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

**This week 6LR achieved 99.62% attendance! Well done.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**Best wishes,**

**Samantha Sillito**

**Headteacher**

## **Osborne Junior Prom – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

If you are intending to bring your family to the free Junior Prom concert in the grounds of Osborne House, please pick up a free ticket from the office on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

Grounds open from 5pm for family picnics. Concert from 5.30 – 7.00pm. You will need to show your ticket for entry to the grounds.

# **OSBORNE PLATINUM JUBILEE SCHOOLS' MUSIC CONCERT 2022**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2022, 5.30pm in the grounds of  
Osborne, entry from 5pm**



**DYNAMOS  
CRICKET**



**This is  
our game.**

[dynamoscricket.co.uk](http://dynamoscricket.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/dynamics/course>

**Contact:**

Eascowescricketcolts@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.

29TH MAY 2022

## TO BE IN HER SHOES

CHARITY WALK IOW

### Charity walk in aid of Wight Dash

Domestic Abuse Support Hub on the Isle Of Wight

[www.justgiving.com/Peter-May15](http://www.justgiving.com/Peter-May15)

Call in to donate at Fort View Tyres St Helens



Find us on Facebook  
To Be In Her Shoes



Walk from Fakenham Farm St Helens To The Shoreside Cafe on East Cowes Prom. why not join us.

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



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# 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:

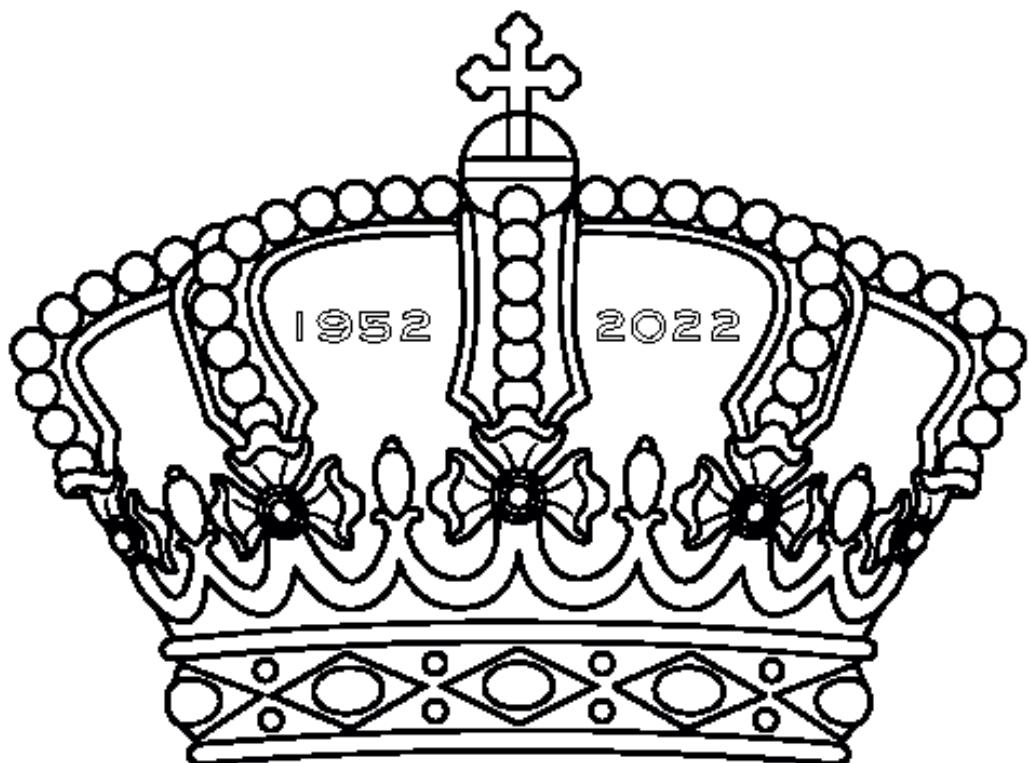
**Facebook:** @TheRoyallOW  
**Instagram:** @theroyaliow

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**

**01983 852186**

# THE ROYAL



# PLATINUM JUBILEE

COLOURED BY:.....

AGE.....

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

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

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THE  
**VECTIS SCHOOL OF DANCING**  
PRESENTS

# **ARABIAN NIGHTS**

TRINITY THEATRE, COWES

SATURDAY MAY 28th at 6.30pm

AND

SUNDAY MAY 29th at 3pm

Adults £9 / Concessions £7

Tickets available from  
[ticketsource.co.uk](http://ticketsource.co.uk)

# EAST COWES LIBRARY

## 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  
AT NORTHWOOD HOUSE & PARK



“A FUN & FREE COMMUNITY EVENT FOR ALL”

BRING A PICNIC, FAMILY & FRIENDS TO ENJOY:

LIVE MUSIC, KIDS ARENA & ENTERTAINMENT  
FUN DOG SHOW, STALLS, LICENCED BAR, TEAS

SUPPORTING LOCAL GOOD CAUSES ON THE DAY

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  
LIMITED SPACES!



Rosettes to 6th place



More info at [www.northwoodhouse.org](http://www.northwoodhouse.org)



## Play Junior Rugby

New players welcome from  
September  
Boys and Girls

Returning every Sunday from 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](http://www.vectisrugby.co.uk) or email:

[vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com](mailto:vectisrfccoaching@gmail.com)

# 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