

# Thank you for the Donations

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Christmas Fayre**

Thank you so much for all the donations you sent in to make our Christmas Fayre a success. I will let you know how much we raised in next week's newsletter.

# **School Council**

We are hoping that the School Council will be able to visit the new building next week. This is weather dependent as the building site is extremely wet and muddy at the moment.

### **Progress Meetings**

Across the next two weeks Mr Chubb, Mrs Grant and I will be meeting every teacher to discuss every child's progress across the school. We will be ensuring that all children are making good progress and what support or challenge needs to be put in place to ensure this happens.

### **Town Carol Service**

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December there will be a town carol service at St James' Church in East Cowes. We have been asked to sing a carol at the service. The service starts at 4 pm. Please make sure the children are there at 3.45 pm in full school uniform. There has been a letter and slip sent out separately to the newsletter. Please join us - the more the merrier!

# **Christmas Lunch Day**



On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December our cooks are making Christmas lunch for all the children and staff! This must be paid for online by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. It is always delicious and great fun!

# **Reception Show**

Our Reception classes will be performing their show which is called,

"A Little Nativity" on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15 am. It is free to get in, but there will be a donations box.



# The Last Day of Term

The last day of term is Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. We will hopefully be heading to St James' Church for our carol service. We will walk from school and arrive there at about 9.45 am. You are most welcome to join us although space in the balcony area is limited.



**SPARTY** In the afternoon the children will be off timetable having a party afternoon.



# 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			
Beef Bolognaise with Spaghetti	Cottage Pie with Gravy	Roast Chicken and Stuffing with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Pasta with Homemade Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips			
Soya Bolognaise with Spaghetti	Shepherdess Pie with Gravy	Vegetarian Wellington with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Five Bean Chilli with Rice	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Chips			
Peas Carrots	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Fresh Mixed Seasonal Vegetables	Peas Cauliflower	Baked Beans Peas			
Pear Crumble with Custard	Rice Pudding with Mixed Berries	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits	Yoghurt Station Fruit platter	Chocolate and Mandarin Sponge			

# **OUT & ABOUT LEARNING**

Children going Out and About must have <u>appropriate</u> 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. ) Blayze B, Tony G, Lilly-May H, Ellie-Jay S, Chloe L, Nash B, Samson B, Ryan F, Gabriel J, Tianna O'R, Tyler 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) Amelia, Hannah F, Grace D, Keira-Mae I, Isobel McC, Ellie, Charlie G, George H, Liam L, Jake, Charlie R, Callum Y, Jim W

Wednesday morning - Year 3 (We will be going for a walk up to the Longstone at Mottistone. Please come to school wearing play clothes, warm coat and wellies and bring your school clothes to change into after lunch.) Nyah B, Jaylen B, Jude B, Malix C, Ethan W, Maria S, Jaydon B, Kaydee C, Freddy C, Charlie C, Katie D, Lily F

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.)

Theo A-N, Su A, Oscar C, Archie G, Sarah P, Sophie W, Logan A, Wynter G, Charlotte L, Jack McD, Courtney R-B, Aribella W-F

# Swimming In The Spring Term

Year 3 and Year 5 children will start their swimming lessons in January. It's worth checking that their swimsuits or swimming shorts fit well and that they have

goggles. It could be something that they might like to ask for as a Christmas gift.



Learn

Grow ....



On Tuesday morning the Year 4 Out and About group visited Ryde Seafront as part of our 'All around the Island' focus this half term. The children located Ryde on a map of the Isle of Wight and used the eight compass directions to describe where other

towns are. We talked about the human geography of Ryde and the town as a tourist destination. The children enjoyed watching the train

come in to the station at Ryde Esplanade and getting sprayed by the hovercraft. It was a wet and chilly morning so the children had a hot chocolate to warm up as they designed and wrote their own postcards of Ryde.





Out and About children from 6TS had a fantastic adventure on Tuesday afternoon as they navigated their way across streams, over fallen branches and through a lot of mud to complete a loop around Firestone Copse. They used their compasses to check their direction of travel and translated compass points into bearings. The children demonstrated amazing team work and problem solving, especially when trying to cross the tributaries on the edge of the woodland (that feed into Wootton Mill Pond).

A group of Out and About children in **Year 3** were honoured with the task of choosing the school Christmas Tree on Wednesday morning. Led by Mrs Jacobs, our own Queensgate Christmas Elf, the children visited Radcliffe's Farm Shop in Blackwater. They enjoyed selecting and voting for their favourite tree and were very excited to decorate it when they returned back to school. The tree will be displayed in the school hall for all to admire during the school fair and upcoming Christmas events.





visited Bembridge. They managed to escape the rain and saw a rainbow over Bembridge harbour. The children had a very muddy walk past the windmill and down through the sheep fields to the airport runway. The children enjoyed climbing over stiles and through kissing gates. As we walked, we talked about

Bembridge airport, the aircrafts, wind socks, air traffic control and the aeroplane hangar.



# **QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP**

SPORTS NEWS



# Under Eleven Girls.

League football was at the fore this week.

The team secured a comfortable win in tricky conditions with a goal in each half. This win will almost certainly qualify the team for the league quarter-finals. Final result - Nine Acres 0 Queensgate 2

# Under Eleven Boys.

This win secured a quarter-final place in rather a strange game. Cowes were only able to muster 6 players so the QFP squad of 11 had to be very patient in getting some match time. The team took a 2-0, 3-1 and 4-2 lead but Cowes kept plugging away to make it a close finish.



Final result - Cowes 3 Queensgate 4.



# **Under Nine Girls**

The team had their first league match at Lanesend. After the 'friendly' match last week, the team showed some improved skills and scored a goal in each half to complete the win. Final Result - Lanesend 0 Queensgate 2

Well done to all our teams this week.

### Active Travel Week

Thank you to everyone that parked a little further away, or walked instead of using the car, or got out the bike or scooter during Active Travel Week. We have received the following message from Nikki at Shift it:

"I am very pleased to tell you that Queensgate Primary has again shown why they are a gold standard school when it comes to Active and Sustainable Travel.

Below are the results you recorded during Active Travel Week last week. The APP was used on 53 different occasions during the week and you have shown that 67% of journeys during the week were sustainable."

VALK		750 votes		
AR				
	471 votes			
COOTER				
125 votes				
BSENT				
63 votes				
BIKE				
32				
KATEBOARD				
20				
US				
7				
iustainable				
	67%			

Working together for a successful future

# **Advance Warning**

As we prepare to move into our new building we are reviewing many of our systems. Currently we have space to hold school uniform on site. As from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 we will no longer have any uniform on site. You will be able to purchase it on line through Big Wight T-shirt (<u>www.bigwight.com</u>) or at The Big Wight T-shirt shop, which is situated on Dodnor Industrial Estate, Daish Way, Newport.



If you need uniform come and see us before Christmas!

#### **Procedure for Absences**

Please can you remember that you MUST put in writing or email a reason for your child's absence. If you do not provide us with this then it will be marked as unauthorised, these unauthorised marks will eventually trigger Education Welfare Officers (EWO) to request a meeting. This meeting is there to help you so its worth attending. If you don't attend then you will be issued with a fine. It would be so much easier to just send in a note with the reason. Thank you.

### Lost Property

Grey Matalan hoodie, aged 6 to 7 belonging to Jack McD in Year 2 has been lost. If found please return to the office or 2KA.

Green parka coat with fluffy hood (named) belonging to Lyla-Rose C in Year 5 also lost. If found please return to the office or 5RA.

# **Morning appointments**

If your child has a morning appointment and is not coming into school for registration, please could you let the school know in advance whether they require a school dinner. This means we can account for them and guarantee that a school meal will be available when they return. If you request a school dinner when you bring them back in we will not be able to guarantee that one will be available as numbers would have already been given to the kitchen staff and they only make enough for those numbers. Many thanks.

**Positive Quote** 

Kindness is free - let's pass it on.



Whole school attendance 96.29%.

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

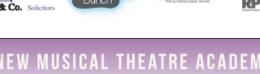
This week 4AH, 6TS & 1CE all achieved 98.81% attendance! Well done. Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher











# FIRST CONTACT APPOINTMENTS FOR PARENTS/CARERS/YOUNG PEOPLE

SEND IASS are now holding 30 minute face-to-face meetings on a Thursday morning to give advice or to set up a plan of action around your concerns.

During this time you will be able to speak to either one of our advisors or one of our qualified volunteers. These face -to-face meetings will be confidential and all advice offered will remain impartial on all matters relating to SEN.

If you would like to book a 30 minute slot please phone the SEND IASS office on (01983) 825548 or email sendiass@iow.uk

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