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Dear Parents and Carers,

PE Days for the summer term

In the summer term, the PE Days need to change slightly to balance the varying sports and events of the term. Please see the schedule for PE Days below. Thank you.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year Two	Year Six	Year Four	Year One	Year R
		Year Three	Year Five	Y3/GH swimming

- Year Five need a swimming kit for Thursday sailing lessons please.
- Year Three children in the (Y3/4 class) need a swimming kit for Friday swimming sessions please, as well as Greenhaven KS2 children.

Y5 Sailing

For the first 5 weeks of the Summer term, Year 5 (Mrs Jenkins Class) will be sailing at Bembridge Yacht Club. Please ensure your child arrives promptly to school. They will need a full swimming kit with them and shoes to go in the water. Wetsuits and buoyancy aids are provided by the sailing school. More information will be shared before half term, via the class Dojo page. Thank you ☺

Library – 10 word story competition

Isle of Wight libraries are running a small story competition that started on World Book Day and runs until Saturday 4 April. It's for all children aged 16 and under and the competition is for children to write a story in just 10 words accompanied by a picture. Entry forms are available to collect from all Island libraries. There are lots of prizes up for grabs and the library service will be holding a prize giving event after the competition closes. See the poster at the end of the newsletter.

World Poetry Day

World poetry day is tomorrow, Saturday 21st March. The children have been learning and practicing performance poetry in school to share with you. Please keep an eye on class Dojo for videos of your child's class in the coming days.

PTA Coffee and Cake

Thank you to the adults that popped in to school today for coffee and cake with the PTA. It was exciting to hear about new ideas and ways that new families can support with future events. Our next PTA meeting is 17th April at 8:30am. Please pop along if you can to see how you could help. The more the merrier. ☺

Car Park and Footpath

Please can we respectfully ask all families to use the footpath and gates appropriately at the beginning and end of each day. If we model, as adults the way to enter and leave the school site on the footpath, instead of the road or car park, the children will follow suit and also walk safely into and out of school. Please respect the school car park. This is for use in pre-arranged situations and cannot accommodate the flow of traffic for all families. We want the school site to be as safe as possible for all the children and families. Please help us in doing this. I have attached the school entering and leaving rules at the back of the newsletter, as a reminder to all. Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning)



What a lovely week of playtimes! We have been blessed with gorgeous sunshine to go with the gorgeous smiles of the children this week. Peppa won the Golden Welly award this week for being such a wonderful role model to the younger children, teaching them games and encouraging play and beautiful singing! Unfortunately, she was absent on Monday, so will be receiving her award and the welly to sit in pride of place on her desk next week.

This week we have been developing our creative play. The children have continued to enjoy loom bands and making bracelets as well as extending this into making kites. If you have any creative resources which you could donate we would be delighted.

Our welly racks have arrived and already being well used. Hopefully the sunshine will continue and we will be able to use the field to extend our play opportunities even more.

Thank you so much to the adults who were able to support in our road making workshop. The roads are being finished this afternoon, by children who have earned this as a reward for their excellent play this half term.



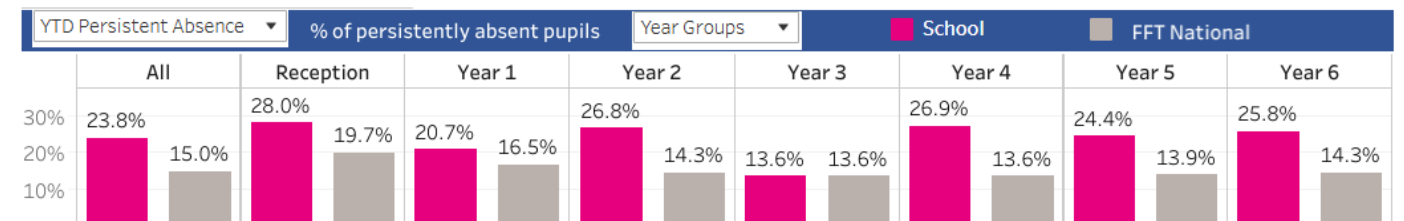
Attendance

A child is classified as a persistent absentee if their attendance falls below 90%.

To put that into perspective over an average school year:

- 10% absence sounds small, but it equals roughly 19 days of school missed in an academic year.
- That is nearly 4 weeks of lost learning time.
- Missing just one day every two weeks is enough to put a student in this category.

A HUGE well done to Year 3 children who are coming to school regularly and on time. This is a good achievement. There is much work to do in many other classes, as our aim is to see school persistent absence lower than National absence figures.



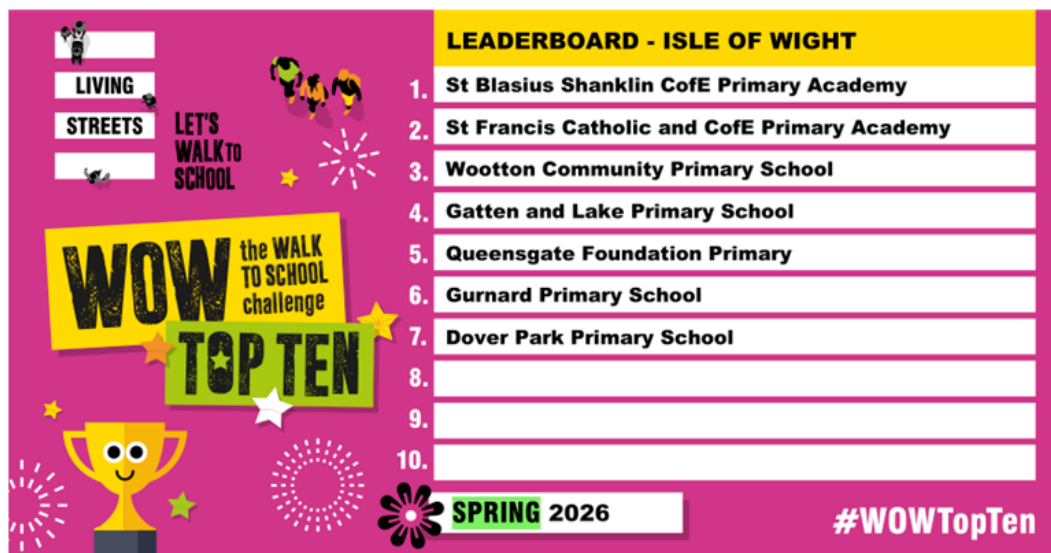
Attendance Monitoring: We take regular attendance seriously. Please note that frequent or recurring absences, such as persistent absence above, are discussed regularly with the Education Welfare Team and with families. We are here to help you make changes in attendance patterns as every child needs to be in school as much as possible. Please speak to Mrs Jones or Mrs Day if you require any support.

WOW Challenge

This is the WOW Challenge leaderboard for the month of February... Greenmount are not quite on the leaderboard yet...but we are working hard to get us appearing. Each morning the children will express how they get to school, which helps them to start participation.

With slightly better weather hopefully we'll all be more inclined, engaged and positive about walking to school or parking

further away from the site and walking some distance to school. Engaging in physical activity before the school day helps everyone, children and adults as it not only boosts brain function, but it is also reported to lift peoples mood, reduces anxiety, increases confidence and social connection. Let's see if we can keep climbing to the top of the leaderboard. Well done everyone ☺



Break the Rules Day:

We are excited to announce a "Break the Rules" fundraising day on Friday 27th March! For one day only, we are inviting children to get a little bit rebellious to help us raise important funds to develop our OPAL play opportunities further. For a small donation of **50p per rule**, your child can choose to "break" our standard school rules by coming in with crazy hair, wearing their favourite fancy dress or pyjamas, sporting bright nail polish, or even wearing their loudest, most colourful trainers! While we are encouraging some silly fun, please note that our School Rules regarding kindness, safety, and respect remain firmly in place. It's going to be a fantastic day of laughter and creativity, and all proceeds will go toward developing our OPAL provision.

We can't wait to see how many rules you choose to break!

Dates coming up:

Date	Event	Year Group	Details / Special Arrangements
Week 5			
Mon 23.3.26	Maths Workshop	Y6 – Mr Yates' class	Maths workshop in class. Knowledge of calculations and arithmetic 8:45am.
Thur 26.3.26	Maths Workshop	Y6 – Mrs Rana's class	Maths workshop in class. Knowledge of calculations and arithmetic.
Thur 26.3.26	Cricket	Y1 – Y6	Cricket engagement day – PE kits to be worn to school today please.
Thur 26.3.26	Care home visit	Community Group	Care home visit for Easter crafts workshop.
Fri 27.3.26	PTA Event	All children, all classes	Break the rules day – Break the rules such as wear nail varnish, wear mufti clothes, wear face paint, wear a hat,

			etc... 50p per rule broken – money raised will go towards OPAL play equipment that the PTA are supporting. * See news item about 'broken rules' in the newsletter *
Fri 27.3.26	Last day of half term	All children, all classes	Today is the final day of the half term – enjoy your Easter break everyone. ☺
EASTER BREAK – Mon 30.3.26 – Fri 10.4.26			
Week 1			
Mon 13.4.26	Event Day	Y3/4	Roman Day – come to school dressed as a Roman and have a fully immersive day, back in time! ☺
Thur 16.4.26	Sailing	Y5 – Mrs Jenkins	Sailing session 1/10
Fri 17.4.26	PTA Meeting	Everyone welcome	PTA Meeting – please come along and see how you can help with events across the school. ☺
Fri 17.4.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 1/10
Week 2			
Mon 20.4.26	Special Delivery	YR	Special delivery today to the classroom ☺
Mon 20.4.26	Music	TBC	Sounds Young Music Workshop
Tues 21.4.26	School Nurse Clinic	All children, all classes	If you would like to book a school nurse appointment to discuss any concerns or queries, please see Mrs Jones so an appointment time can be allocated. Thank you.
Thur 23.4.26	Sailing	Y5 – Mrs Jenkins	Sailing session 2/10
Thur 23.4.26	MHST Workshop	Y6	Coping with stress – SATs stress workshop for children
Fri 24.4.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 2/10
Week 3			
Mon 27.4.26	Educational Visit	YR	Educational Visit to Butterfly World
Fri 1.5.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 3/10
Fri 1.5.26	PTA Disco	Key Stage discos	PTA Disco – more info to follow
Week 4			
Mon 4.5.26	Bank Holiday	All children, all classes	School Closed today
Tue 5.5.26	School Nurse Clinic	All children, all classes	If you would like to book a school nurse appointment to discuss any concerns or queries, please see Mrs Jones so an appointment time can be allocated. Thank you.
Thur 7.5.26	Sailing	Y5	Sailing session 3/10
Fri 8.5.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 4/10
Week 5			
Mon 11.5.26	Y6 SATs Week	Y6	All Y6 children to take part in Y6 SATs throughout this week, Monday to Thursday. Children to be in school from 8:00am each day please, for breakfast.
Thur 14.5.26	Sailing	Y5	Sailing session 4/10
Fri 15.5.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 5/10
Week 6			

Mon 18.5.26	PTA Event	All children and families welcome to attend	Proposed PTA Bingo event – more info to follow...
Wed 20.5.26	Workshop session	Young Carers	Young Carers workshop and activity session in school
Thur 21.5.26	Sailing	Y5	Sailing session 5/10
Fri 22.5.26	Swimming	Y3 & KS2 GH	Swimming session 6/10

HALF TERM BREAK – Mon 25.5.26 – Fri 29.5.26

More dates will follow soon... please keep checking the list regularly for any additions. Thank you 😊

Entering and Leaving School Rules

Wear the Correct Uniform
Arrive in the right school uniform and shoes. Remember your PE day for wearing PE kit, taking earrings out and wearing hair tied up.

Arrive on Time
Get ready at home in the morning so you arrive at school on time and ready to learn.

Mobile Phones
Put your phone away before you enter the school gate. Children must hand their phones into the classroom phone box.

Scooters and Bikes
If you ride to school, push your bike or scooter once you're inside the school gate.

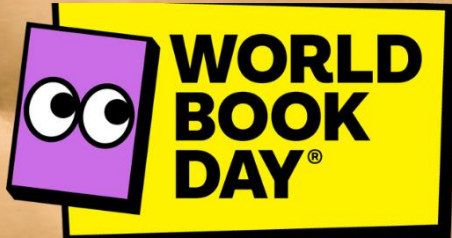
Use Paths Safely
Always walk sensibly on the left-hand side of the path or corridor. No running!

Enter and Exit Calmly
Walk calmly into and out of the classroom, showing you are ready to learn and be respectful.

Use Good Manners
Say "Good morning" when you arrive and "Goodbye" when you leave. Always use polite words.

Follow Morning Routines
Start your day right by following your class's morning routine as soon as you arrive.

Be Respectful to Everyone
Speak kindly and behave respectfully to all children, staff, and visitors on school grounds.



NATIONAL YEAR OF
READING 2026



SMALL STORIES

COMPETITION

PICK UP AN ENTRY
FORM FROM YOUR
LOCAL LIBRARY

RUNS FROM MARCH 5 - APRIL 4

**CAN YOU WRITE
US A STORY
USING JUST 10 WORDS?**

AGE LIMIT 16 YEARS

**GRAND PRIZE
GIVING EVENT!**

**PRIZES TO BE
WON!**

**LIBRARIES ACROSS
THE ISLAND ARE JOINING IN!**



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NEWPORT ROMAN VILLA



**Celebrating 100
Years of Newport
Roman Villa**

Open day

Saturday 28 March, 10am to 2pm

**Special discounted
entry, just £1!**

**Guided tours at
10.30am, 11.30am,
12.30pm, and 1.30pm**

**Explore the ruins
and get hands on in
the activity room**



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GET ON STAGE

Musical Theatre Easter Fun Day!



Newport Primary
School

Tuesday 7th April
2026



Open to those aged 7-16.

Participants will get the opportunity to take part in various activities such as Singing, Acting, Dancing and Craft!

£20 for a full day workshop 9am-3pm

Sign Up at

www.GetOnStage.co.uk

for more information email

GetOnStageIOW@gmail.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

2026

APRIL

EASTER HALF TERM

Hop into Easter at Butterfly World. Enjoy the Easter half term with some eggcellent activities!

MAY

MAY HALF TERM

Buzz into Pollinator week! Enjoy a week full of themed activities whilst discovering more about our butterflies.

JUL/AUG
SEP

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Enjoy some summer sun with our bi-weekly activities and more!

OCT

OCTOBER HALF TERM

Join us for some spooktacular halloween fun. Two weeks filled with halloween activities, held day and night!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE EVENTS
HELD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!

WWW.BUTTERFLYWORLDIOW.COM

How to Find Us!

Where?



The southern Vectis route 9 (Staplers) stops right outside

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Opening times

Mid March - End of October
Mon-Sat- 9-5
Sun: 10-4

(last admission is 30 mins before closing time)

