



Wootton Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Friday 3rd February 2012

This week has been especially busy with staff attending various training events. It is important for staff to attend up-to-date training in order to keep as informed as possible. Likewise, I also have training and numerous meetings to attend, which can be difficult with so many from time to time, but necessary. However, whenever I am not in school I always have regular contact with Mrs Dunford throughout the day.

This week I have been spending time in each of the classrooms observing the children learning and have been pleased by the engagement and enthusiasm which I have seen. Many of the children are identifying when they are working in their Challenge Zone and understand how this is necessary to move their learning forward. The children are also articulating that if they are in their Comfort Zone, then they need more challenge! It has been really pleasing to see them so hungry for learning- well done children!

Next week we will be assessing all of the children in reading, writing and maths and will share these outcomes with you at the parents evenings which are booked for 27th and 28th February. Reports are now being sent home termly and so the next one will be sent home with your child before the Easter holiday.

Year 5 had a fabulous Forest School day on Wednesday, learning all about survival skills. This links with their topic work and gave them an excellent first hand learning experience. Year 4 have also been out and about in Wootton photographing the village to look at how it has changed over time.

The new University choices letter has come home this week, please make sure your child has returned their form by Monday at the latest, as it does take a little while to sort out groups. I will do my very best to ensure that children get one of their options. Please make sure that three choices are ticked and not ones for previously completed workshops.

Have a good weekend,

Kind regards

Peta Mather



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***Wootton School will ensure a first class education for all
within a challenging, secure and happy environment for learning.***

Attendance for weeks ending
27th January 2012

Year R	95%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	86%



Total School weekly attendance - 94%

Total of 5 lates

Our school target is 96.25%

Menu for the Week Commencing 6th February

Monday 6th February

Beef Lasagne or Macaroni Cheese
New Potatoes, Salad and Sweetcorn
Flap Jack

Tuesday 7th February

Roast Pork & Apple Sauce or Cheese & Onion Whirls
Roast Potatoes, Cabbage and Mashed Swede
Chocolate Sponge and Chocolate Sauce

Wednesday 8th February

Cottage Pie or Quorn Sausages in Gravy
Mashed Potato, Carrots and Peas
Thai Banana Cake

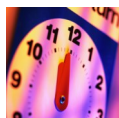
Thursday 9th February

Roast Chicken & Stuffing or Baked Bean Lasagne
Roast Potatoes, Cauliflower and Green Beans
Strawberry Jelly

Friday 10th February

Battered Fish or Tomato Pasta Bake
Oven Chips, Peas and Baked
Beans
Cherry Cookie and Chocolate Milkshake

**Please note Jacket Potato and Baguette/
Sandwiches also available. Please order daily by
9.am with the kitchen.**



SEAL

(SOCIAL ,EMOTIONAL ASPECTS OF
LEARNING)

Last half term, we gave SEAL a big push in school and as part of that, we have a focus word for each week which we discuss and use across the school day. Each week in the news letter we will send home the word of the week for the next week for you to share and use at home.

Next weeks SEAL word is
"GRATEFUL"



BARGAIN
SCHOOL SWEAT SHIRTS

£2.50

We have discovered some old stock with a non embroidered school logo. Brand new, we are just short of storage space. Please come to reception if you would like to buy one.

Sizes available are:

26" (5/6 years)

34" (13 years)

36" (14 years)

'Phil' the Bag™

A big THANK YOU



to everyone who contributed to Phil the Bag. A total weight of 362kg was collected which means we will be receiving a cheque for £181.00 to be used for school facilities!

FOREST SCHOOL DAY

Year 5 had a fantastic time during their Forest School Day on Wednesday. The children took part in a range of activities including shelter building, flint knapping, creating memory books and taking some beautiful photographs.

A cold but great day was had by all!



Birthdays

**Birthdays from Friday 3rd February to
Thursday 9th February**

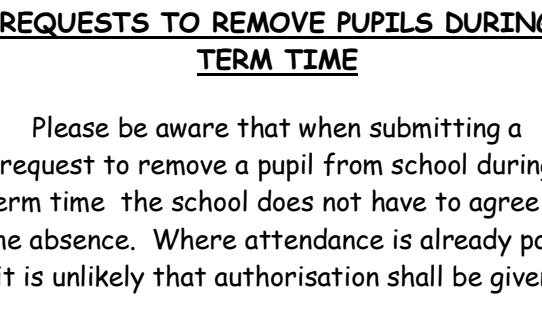
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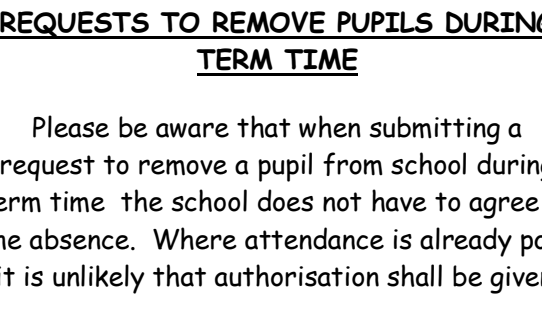
SCHOOL ABSENCE

Please remember to inform the office before 9am if your child is going to be absent or late. Every child has to be accounted for and this task is made particularly difficult if numerous phone calls have to be made by the office.

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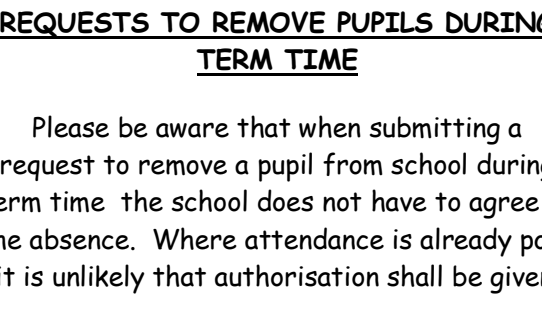
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<u>Staff Changes Week Commencing Monday 6th February</u>				
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WANTED—READER RANGERS

To help ensure the children get as much reading experience as possible we are very grateful to our Volunteer Reader Rangers. However it would be wonderful to have more so this time can be increased.

If you would be interested to join our Reader Rangers please complete the slip below.
(If you have already signed up but not been assigned a day please also let us know.)

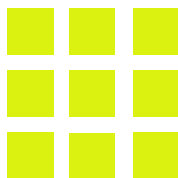
Thank you.

Thank you.

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NAME OF CHILD..... YEAR.....

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January 2012

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Year 6 BIKEABILITY COURSE FOR YOUR CHILD

Course Dates and times:

February 13th and 14th: 09.30 -13.00

February 15th: 09.30am – 12.30

I am pleased to inform you that during the next February half term holiday we are holding a Bikeability course for year 6 students on the above dates. Bikeability is the new name for the old Cycling Proficiency course.

On the course your child will be instructed in riding safely on local roads around the school and upon completion of the course will be eligible to ride to school independently.

The course will run over the 3 days as detailed above with Mr Garlick (Nine Acres teacher) and other qualified instructors from the Bikeability scheme.

In order to attend the course your child will need a roadworthy bike and a helmet in good condition. You should ensure that the chain is oiled sufficiently, the saddle is at an appropriate height, the tyres have sufficient air in them and that both brakes are working correctly.

If you would like your child to participate in this course, please contact Kay Smith at Nine Acres Primary School (details below) as soon as possible to book your place (by Tuesday 7th February). Parents please do ensure that your child really wants to do this course before committing to the training.

Yours sincerely,

Kay Smith
Family Services and Community Partnerships Leader
Nine Acres Primary School
01983 522984
smithk@nineacrespri.iow.sch.uk



The Wight Fair Writers Circle presents:

**Crime & Intrigue
Short Story Writing Competition
Prizes**

Adult Competition

First prize: £75

Second place: £50 Third place: £25

Over 12 and Under 18 on the 27th May 2012

First Prize: £50

Second place: £25 Third place: £10

Plus five further places winning £10 book tokens

Under 12 on the 27th May 2012

First prize: £30

Second place: £20 Third place: £10

Plus five further places winning £10 book tokens

Entry Fee:- £4 per adult story & £2 for under 18's

All proceeds to:-

The Isle of Wight Homeless, IW Young Carers & Carisbrooke Priory

Closing date 27th May 2012

Winners' presentation 27th June 2012

ENTRY FORMS & RULES CAN BE OBTAINED BY:- E-MAIL: CAROLBRIDGE-STOCK@HOTMAIL.COM

For further information call Carol Bridgestock

01983 402393 or

Maggie Jones 01983 840899

OR COLLECT FROM: WATERSTONES, 118 HIGH STREET, NEWPORT

Crime & Intrigue

Short Story Writing Competition

Entry Form

Name:

Address:

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Post Code:

Tel. no

E-mail

DOB if under 18 at the time of submission – Please state what age you will be on the 27th May 2012

I enclose £..... for my entry (ies) and declare that the material is my own work, and has not been previously published in any form. I am an Isle of Wight resident.

Signature.....

Signature of Parent/guardian if entrant is under 18

I enclose the following stories

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Please make cheques payable to: **Wight Fair Writers' Circle**

£4 per adult story & £2 for under 18's

Return entries with entry fee by 27th May 2012 to:-

Crime & Intrigue Competition

E-mail Carol Bridgestock @ carolbridgestock@hotmail.com or Tel: 01983 402393

RULES:

1. All stories must be original, unpublished and the sole work of the author.
2. Word count is 1500 – 2000 words for Adults – Up to 750 for Under 18's. Category chosen clearly marked.
3. Entries to be submitted
4. Postal entries must be submitted with name, address & phone number on a separate sheet of paper.
5. All entrants must be residents of the Isle of Wight.
6. Closing date for entries is 27th May 2012
7. All entries must have a title
8. Winners will be announced on 27th June 2012 at a prize-giving reception
9. All stories must be accompanied by the entry fee of £4 per story for adults and £2 for Under 18s. Cheques should be made payable to
10. Entries will not be returned so please keep a copy
11. The judge's decision is final. No communication will be entered into
12. Submitting an entry to the Wight Fair Writers Competition implies acceptance of the above rules. Entries which do not comply with the rules will be disqualified and entry fees will not be returned.