

### St Blasius Shanklin C of E Primary Academy

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#### NEWSLETTER NO. 38 - 23rd July 2021

#### Principal's Messages:

Dear families,

And so our final newsletter of the year...and what a year it has been! We started with children being taught in school but having little/no contact with other groups while learning and playing in their 'bubbles', had several periods where children were taught by you, or through teachers using remote lessons assisted by technology, while at home and ended the year still in bubbles but with the hope of a more normal school life in September. It will certainly be a year none of us will forget.

Our Leavers' Service on the playground this morning was filled with praise and recognition of the hard work and resilience all the children have demonstrated. I was proud of every single child there who are valued members of the St Blasius family but the special words shared by staff for those given Achievement Awards today will have hopefully shown that their effort, determination and consistent modelling of our school values was noticed and recognised. Well done to you all! Thank you to Reverend Jonathan Hall for his wise words and the reminder that while we may leave behind, or take out, elements of our life as we move forward, if we build on foundations of love, hope and faith, we go forward on a firm footing. Thank you once again to all our staff, volunteers and those in the wider community who support our school.

The last couple of weeks have been filled with fun and celebration, from sports day (albeit belated for Years 3 and 4), origami lessons in Year 2 linked to the Olympics, a mini-graduation for Reception, tasty French food and learning new vocabulary and artistic and technological challenges across the school on 14th July and finally hot dogs and a massive water fight for Year 6 on the field, with a few tears shed on the way. Not the ending we wanted for you in many ways but at least we were all here together, unlike children in many schools both locally and nationally.

We wish you all a safe, happy fun-filled and restful break; for those who will not be returning, you remain forever in our hearts and we will see our Year 1 through to our new Year 6 children return on Thursday 2nd September.

Kind regards and happy holidays! Mrs Mobley

#### **Weekly Attendance Update**

Congratulations to Year 3 with the best attendance of 100% for last week. Thank you for your on-going support with sending children in to school when they are well; please call us if you have any questions or concerns. Or go to <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</a>

	Week ending 16/07/21			Week ending 16/07/21	
Reception	93.0%	1	Year 3	100%	1
Year 1	97.2%	1	Year 4	94.4%	1
Year 2	97.8%	1	Year 5	91.7%	1
			Year 6	95.2%	1



End of school year blessing

May God's blessing go
with us today,
At the end of this school
year we pray.
That you keep us safe and
give us rest
So we start again renewed
and refreshed.
Full of health, full of fun
Ready to come and learn
again.

May God's blessing go
with us today,
As we begin our school
holiday.
Give your peace and your
joy,
To every girl and every
boy.
Help the teachers to enjoy
the break,
and prepare and plan for
the new intake.

May God's blessings await
us next year,
To embrace each new
challenge without fear.
Fill this school with your
love,
and guide our hearts from
above.
Full of faith, full of hope,
full of joy, and full of love.
Amen.

<b>Diary Dates</b>						
Coming next term!						
Thu 2nd Sept	Children return to school (Y1-6)					
Thu 2nd and Fri 3rd	Reception children & parent visits to school					
Mon 6th	Reception children					

start school

Sept



# **Achievement Awards**

Reception - Monty McGallop

Year 1 - Rosie Kenny

Year 2 - Rosie Bush

Year 3 - Harry Wittman

Year 4 - Reyena Davies

Year 5 - Rosie Lyon

Year 6 - Effie Kecsmar

# Year 6 Special Awards

Bradley Grace Award - Isabelle Dell

Bradley Grace Award - Harry Jeffery

The Sara Hodgson Creative Award

Billie-Rose Scandrett

Worship Leader - **Harry English**Worship Leader - **Joseph Short** 





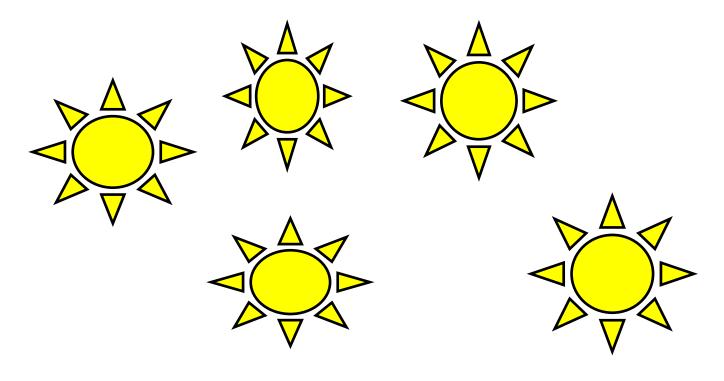


Year group	ClassDojo points this week	Friendship Award winners	Class VIP
Reception	Bo S and Reggie R	Emilia B	Milo S and Georgia CD (Proud Cloud)
Year 1			
Year 2	Alex K		
Year 3	Alice M		Myn S
Year 4	Daniel H	John S	Ben C
Year 5			
Year 6			

Well done to all our fantastic winners this week!

# **Time to Shine with Mrs Mobley**

Well done Evan B and Beatrice T for winning the prize draw for this term!







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Year 6 2021











#### Lunch menu

#### Isle of Wight schools in partnership with Chartwells

Chartwells will be providing catering services to your school from September 2021.

As the leading provider of catering services to schools across the UK we believe school lunches should be freshly prepared, great-tasting and attractively presented to engage pupils.

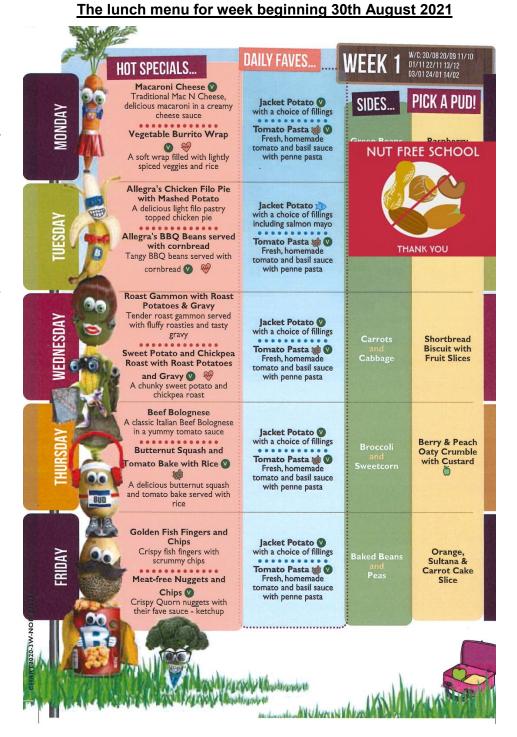
Our menus are fully nutritionally checked by our expert in-house team and meet the Governments

school food standards.

Seasonal and nutritionally balanced healthy menus will change twice a year offering variety along with dishes stimulate to inquisitive minds. We also understand our responsibility importance educating young people on good nutrition and healthy lifestyles via our education programmes.

We're proud to support both local Isle of Wight suppliers wider British and our producers and growers sourcing the best possible ingredients quality and produce from well stringently respected. selected continually and audited farmers and growers.

If any pupil has an allergy, an intolerance or a medical condition that requires a specific menu, our in-house expert team of nutritionists will make sure pupils are fully and safely catered for with bespoke menus. procedures local and training. A copy of our special diets form can be requested from your school, if you would like to arrange for a special diet menu please inform them as soon as possible so that we can make contact and arrange this to be in place from September.



Chartwells are extremely excited to be given the opportunity to become the catering providers in your school and we look forward to meeting pupils and schools.

<u>Nuts</u> A reminder that the academy site is a 'nut free' zone. We have a pupil with a severe nut allergy so would ask parents/carers to be vigilant when packing their children's lunch boxes especially pre-packed items as it is not always obvious that they contain nuts until you read the ingredient labelling (one example of this is crepes containing a hazelnut chocolate filling). Thank you.



#### **Sports News**

#### What's been happening this week

I have let all the year groups have some fun this week. I got loads of equipment out and they all had some free play. I have however lost about 100 Tennis balls. Lol!! Oh dear Mr Read...I hope you found them again? Looks like we wont be playing tennis next year...! Mrs M

On Wednesday, Reception did some gymnastics in the hall. It was just too hot to go outside, so we stayed in the hall.

It was Year 6s last P.E. lesson on Thursday, so we had some fun and I let them decide what they wanted to do.

#### Goodbye Year 6

I just wanted to say a big good luck to all the Year 6 children, who are starting their new adventures in High School. I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching you P.E. the past 4 years. I wish you all the luck in the world.

#### **Summer Holidays**

I hope everyone has a great summer holiday. Remember to let me know if you do any sporting activities over the summer and I can put it in the Sports News when we return.

And lastly, I just want to thank all the children for making my P.E. lessons so enjoyable. You have all behaved brilliantly.

It's now time to re-charge your batteries ready for September.

Stay Active and Stay Safe.

Mr Read

P.E. Coach and Year 6 Teaching Assistant





#### **Summer activities**

Theatre Educational is an Island based organisation delivering theatre based projects for young people on the Isle of Wight. We have DFE funding to run a summer programme at Oakfield Primary School in Ryde and Barton Primary School in Newport.

These summer schools are free for children eligible for Free School Meals, or at £15 per day.

#### Dates and programme as follows.

- Oakfield Programme. 10:00 3:00 daily. 5 years 16 years. LUNCH INCLUDED
- Monday 09th Thursday 12th August Monday 16th Thursday 19th August Monday 23rd Thursday 26th August

We are thrilled to present a summer school of Theatre and Carnival combined. TEd will be delivering two days of fun theatre based activities and the New Carnival Company will be delivering an exciting programme of costume making, puppet making and performance. There is also an opportunity for participants to perform in Ryde Town Centre on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> August.

**Mondays and Tuesdays** will be theatre days, exploring numbers from shows such as, Little Mermaid, Mamma Mia, Aladdin, Prince of Egypt, Zombies and the Addams Family.

**Wednesdays and Thursdays** will be Carnival days, exploring themes such as the Key Stone Cops, Ryde Kings and Queens, Buccaneers and Cavemen.

Thursday afternoons are family sessions and parents are invited for lunch and to share the weeks work. HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES SUMMER PROGRAMME (google.com)

#### Dates and programme as follows.

Barton Primary School. 10:00 – 3:00 daily. 5 years – 16 years. LUNCH INCLUDED

Monday 16th – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August Monday 23rd – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August

We are thrilled to present a Summer School of Circus, Magic, Theatre, Orienteering, Art and a little bit of Cycling.

Mondays - Circus and Ariel and Orienteering

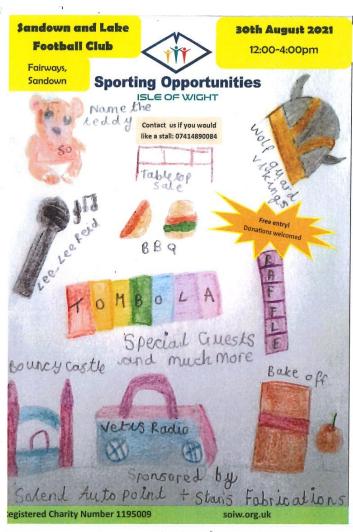
Tuesdays - Magic and Fun Fitness

Wednesdays and Thursdays - Theatre Days, exploring numbers from shows such as, Little Mermaid, Mamma Mia, Aladdin, Prince of Egypt, Zombies and the Addams Family.

Fridays - Games, Cycling, and Party Time!

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#### I'm worried about COVID-19

Take regular rapid response LFT tests even if you don't have symptoms. You can pick up tests to take at home or get tested in a local pharmacy. Find your nearest pharmacy at: maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk You can also order home test kits online from: gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests



# I have COVID-19 symptoms Most people with COVID-19 have at least one of these symptoms

- A high temperature. This means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.

 A new, continuous cough.
 A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.

If you have symptoms, you need to self-isolate and take a PCR test. You can only leave home to have a test. Book a test online 🖊 gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or phone 🔽 119



#### My child or I are required to self-isolate

If you or your child are told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by the school or you have COVID-19 symptoms, you must not leave your home or garden. If you test positive or NHS Test and Trace ask you to self-isolate, you must do so by law. Self-isolation rules are changing on 16 August 2021. You can find out more here keeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation



#### I can't afford to self-isolate

You could get £500 support grant if you need to self-isolate and are on a low income, cannot work from home and will lose income as a result. You can also apply for the support grant if you have to stay at home to look after a child who is required to self-isolate. You do not need to repay the money. [8] iow.gov.uk//Wtestandtracesupport



#### I'm worried about my work if I have to self-isolate

If you are worried about money or work because you have to self-isolate, please ask for help. Meeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation or phone 501983 823600



#### I'm feeling worried

It's okay not to be okay. Get help at 📶 iwmentalhealth.co.uk or phone 🔽 111 The COVID-19 helpline may also be able to help 🔽 01983 823600









#### **Isle of Wight Family Centres**

# Our New Website www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk

#### For up to date information on:

- . Our free courses
- Our play sessions
- Registering with us
- Latest news and posts
- **Becoming a volunteer**
- Advice for professionals And much more!

You can also find us on:



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#### Re: Changes to contact tracing in education and childcare settings

As you know, the Prime Minister announced on 12 July that Step 4 of the roadmap would go ahead on 19 July. One of the key changes that will take place from 19 July is that education and childcare settings will no longer be asked to conduct routine contact tracing. As with positive cases in any other setting, NHS Test and Trace will work with either the positive case – or in the case of children – the parents, carers or guardian of the positive case to identify close contacts.

NHS Test and Trace already manages the contact tracing process for the rest of society – including children who have recorded a positive PCR test – and has expertise in supporting people to identify close contacts. This letter sets out in more detail below how that process will work and what you need to do if your child tests positive for COVID-19.

#### Self-isolating and taking a test

- If your child has symptoms, they and other members of the household should self-isolate and you should inform their education or childcare setting. Please call 07375 658 702/703.
   You should immediately order a PCR test for them. If the PCR result is negative, they and other members of their household can stop self-isolating (unless instructed to self-isolate for other reasons). If the PCR result is positive, they, other members of their household and any close contacts identified by NHS Track and Trace must self-isolate until 10 days after the onset of symptoms.
- 2. If your child has a positive result from a lateral flow device (LFD) test, they and other members of the household should self-isolate and you should inform their education or childcare setting. You should immediately order a confirmatory PCR test. If the confirmatory test is taken within two days and the result is negative, they and other members of their household can stop self-isolating (unless instructed to self-isolate for other reasons). If the confirmatory PCR test is positive (or is taken more than two days after the LFD), other members of their household and any close contacts identified by NHS Track and Trace must self-isolate until 10 days after the LFD test.
- 3. PCR tests can be booked online through the NHS Test & Trace website or by calling 119.
- 4. PCR test results will be recorded with NHS Test and Trace automatically, but you should also communicate the result to the education or childcare setting during term time or summer provision.

#### Contact tracing

- 5. If your child gets a positive PCR test result, NHS Test and Trace will contact you, using the details you registered when ordering the PCR test. You and/or your child will be asked a series of specific questions designed to identify who your child has been in close contact with. Being in an education or childcare setting with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 will not necessarily mean a person is identified as a close contact.
- 6. You will be asked to provide the contact details, if you know them, of any of the individuals or their parents or guardians who have been identified as close contacts. NHS Test and Trace will then get in touch with these close contacts and provide appropriate instructions or advice (see below).

#### Self-isolation and/or testing of close contacts

- 7. At present, anyone identified as a close contact is legally required to self-isolate and must not attend their education or childcare setting (the only exception is if they are participating in a daily contact testing trial). Anyone identified as a non-household close contact by NHS Track and Trace must self-isolate until 10 days after the date of their most recent contact with that person. If they live in the same household, they must self-isolate until 10 days after the date of that person developing symptoms (see point 1 above) or, if that person was asymptomatic, the date of their test (see point 2 above). NHS Test and Trace will notify you of the day on which the self-isolation period ends.
- 8. Close contacts are also advised to take a PCR test. If the test result is negative, they must still complete the full self-isolation period, as the test will not detect all positive cases. If the result is positive, they will need to self-isolate for a further 10 days and NHS Test and Trace will contact them to identify any close contacts.
- 9. From 16 August, if the close contact is under 18, they will not have to self-isolate (in line with the policy for fully vaccinated adults) but will be asked to take an PCR test immediately, other than for very young children identified as non-household contacts, and they will not need to self-isolate while awaiting the results of the test. If the PCR test is positive, they will be required to self-isolate for 10 days from the date of the test. NHS Test and Trace will then get in touch to identify close contacts (see points 5 and 6 above). Further guidance on these changes to self-isolation will be provided shortly.

We recognise how difficult the past 18 months have been and the sacrifices that all families, education and childcare settings have had to make. This has been an enormously challenging time for everyone and we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for everything you have done

# DFE Advice - Travel is different: information for schools on foreign travel during COVID-19

As schools finish for the summer holidays, you may wish to remind parents of the following foreign travel advice:

- to understand the risks in a country, including the latest COVID-19 restrictions (including for entry), follow the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) Travel Advice.
- to prevent new COVID-19 variants from entering the UK, you should not travel to <u>red list countries</u>.
- to check what they need to do to <u>travel abroad and return to England</u>, or read travel guidance for <u>Scotland</u>, <u>Wales</u> or <u>Northern Ireland</u>