



Dear Parents / Carers,

12th October 2018

Wow, what an extremely busy week we've had! There has been lots going on, starting with the Tag Rugby tournament on Monday afternoon, well done to all that competed.

School council met on Monday afternoon to discuss fundraising for the year, our first one is on Wednesday 17th October and we are taking part in 'Wear it Pink Day', raising money for the Breast Cancer Now charity. We would like all children to come to school wearing items of pink clothing or accessories in exchange for a donation to this worthy cause.

On Tuesday, Birch class visited the Bembridge Lifeboat Station to tie in with their history topic on Grace Darling, who became a national heroine when she risked her life to save stranded survivors of a shipwreck in 1838. The children had a look around the station and got to look at the various lifeboats, they were completely fascinated and asked amazing questions! Hawthorn class will be visiting the Lifeboat Station on Tuesday next week.

Children in Years 2 and 4 had a fantastic time at the Literary Festival on Thursday! Year 2 children were read a story by Island author Jules Marriner and she used puppets which was very exciting. Year 4 children met a very entertaining author called Guy Bass—the children were in hysterics!

Our Education and Inclusion Officer came in this week, he looked in depth at the children's current attendance and noticed that a lot of people aren't bringing in absence slips so that the absences can be authorised. This is really important; slips are available from the office or you can bring your own letter from home. He also had a look at the number of late marks; remember registration is at 8:45am and anyone who arrives after this time will receive a late mark. Even minutes late can affect your child's learning, and it disrupts the rest of the class. Finally, can you please ensure that you arrive promptly for 3pm pick up.

On Monday Beech and Maple classes are having their topic days; Mrs Skelley would like her pupils to come in dressed as heroes and Mrs Boakes would like Maple children to come in dressed as Vikings! Parents/carers from both classes are invited in from 1:00-2:30pm to get involved with the afternoon activities.

We have arranged parent/carer sessions for Birch, Hawthorn, Beech and Maple classes to take place on Thursday 1st November from 1:00pm. Sign up sheets will be available outside classrooms from Monday. If your child is in year 5 or 6 and arrives at school unaccompanied, please contact the office and they can make an appointment for you. It would be great if every parent/carer could attend as it's a good opportunity for you to find out how your child is getting on, what you can do to help them at home and ask any questions or voice any concerns you may have.

Finally, just a reminder that we finish for the October half term on Wednesday 17th October. School will close at 3pm as normal.

Remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

As we are only in school for 3 days next week, there have been some menu changes. Please see the second page of the newsletter for the menu. Please ensure you order your sandwiches/baguettes/jacket potatoes on Monday accordingly. Cook will only be outside on Monday this week for snack and lunch orders.

Attendance 01/10/18 - 05/10/18

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 96.3% against our target of 97%.
Ash	92.3%	1	
Birch	97.8%	3	
Hawthorn	97.2%	1	
Beech	97.3%	7	
Maple	95%	4	

OUR 'STARS OF THE WEEK' ARE:

- ★ Alfie H-S
- ★ Beau B
- ★ Teddy
- ★ Tyrone

Birthdays:

- 🎂 Mia-May
- 🎂 Cassie

Lunch menu w/c Monday 15th October 2018

Monday: Sausage Pasta Bake/Vegetarian Risotto(v), Sweetcorn, Peas, Wholemeal Apple Crumble with Custard.

Tuesday: Roast Pork/Quorn Roast(v), Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Swede, Chocolate Cookie.

Wednesday: MSC Fish Fingers or Salmon Fishcake/Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Slice(v), Chips, Baked Beans, Peas, Yoghurt and Fruit.

Remember all children in Foundation Stage up to Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. For those who bring in a packed lunch from home, taster pots are always available to encourage them to try a hot school dinner. They can also order a school sandwich, baguette or jacket potato.

The New Carnival Company presents

DARK NIGHTS

at the Garlic Farm

Join us for a magical guided lantern walk filled with surprises!

Fri 26 and Sat 27 October at 6pm



Take Part!
MAKE YOUR OWN LANTERN at a
Community Lantern Making Workshop

Families welcome. All children must be accompanied by an adult
St Mary's Church Hall, High Street, Brading
Tuesday 23 and Thursday 25 October, 2pm to 4pm
£5 per lantern

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LOTTERY FUNDED

DOWN TO THE COAST
Life of Wight

THE GARLIC FARM

Flu vaccinations: For those of who have signed YES on your child's flu vaccination form, please be aware you will be required to stay with your child for the duration of the vaccination. The date has been arranged for **Tuesday 30th October from 3pm onwards.**

Breakfast club is available every day from 8am for children in all year groups. It costs just £2 per session, and there is no need to book. **We do ask that the money is paid either in advance or on the day – we cannot carry outstanding money forward.** Children in Reception class up to year 4 will need to be signed in by a parent or guardian upon arrival. Children must arrive by 8:15am if you want them to have a breakfast here.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Oct 15 th	Beech and Maple parents/carers in for topic afternoon - 1:00-2:30pm
Oct 16 th	Hawthorn Class Bembridge Lifeboat Station trip
Oct 17 th	Wear it Pink Day
Oct 18 th	Development day – school closed to pupils
Oct 19 th	Development day – school closed to pupils
Oct 22 nd – Oct 26 th	October half term
Oct 30 th	School photos
	Flu vaccinations for FS, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 – 3pm onwards in the school hall, parents/carers required to stay
Nov 1 st	Parent/carers sessions for Birch, Hawthorn, Beech and Maple classes—1:00pm onwards
Dec 24 th – Jan 4 th	Christmas Holidays

Brading Methodist Church

Minute to Win It!

Free

Family Fun Evening

6-7.30pm

Wednesday 24 October



Come as a family and join in lots of fun challenges against the clock



Details? Contact Jane on 407201

Do join us at the next



Fri 19 Oct

3.10pm-5pm

Then 3rd Friday
each month
at

Brading Methodist Church



Everyone welcome!

**All children to be accompanied
by an adult**

Free! – donation if wished

Chat to Jane on 407201 for more details