

Dear Parents / Carers,

11<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a fabulous 2 weeks, the time just flew and we are back again in the wintry season. As the weather is so unpredictable at the moment, can I draw your attention to our snow procedures. Please listen carefully to Isle of Wight Radio, visit the school website and also visit the school closure list on [www.iwight.com](http://www.iwight.com) as these will keep you updated. We will also send out text messages to keep you informed, so it's really important we have the correct contact details for you. If you were lucky enough to get a new phone from Father Christmas, please let us know in the office if your contact number has changed.

This week has been very cold, so please ensure all children bring in a winter, waterproof coat to wear at break time and lunch times, and throughout the day if they are in Early Years. If you would like your children to wear hats, gloves and scarves please make sure these are named. Children are welcome to wear scarves to and from school but they are not able to wear them at break and lunch times as they could be a safety hazard.

This term we are going to focus on developing our curriculum further. To help develop this, as teaching staff we have been relooking at the topics for this term. Topic overviews will be coming out on Monday for each class, and included this term will be the 'hook' – what has started the topic and an end outcome which is going to be fantastic. This half term the topics are:

CLASS	HOOK	OUTCOME
Ash / Oak	Snowman Day	Ice Investigation
Birch	Around the World	Food Tasting
Hawthorn	Kite Making	Chinese Celebration
Beech	Airport Roleplay	Parents in for Tourist Information Session
Maple	Shackleton Information Session	Parents in for Explorers Session

We have also changed the way in which the children record their daily and weekly outcomes. Every child from year 1 upwards will have the learning journey for the week in their books, and they will be self-assessing their work daily. Instead of having targets every half term, the children will be working on weekly challenges. The focus this half term will be literacy. Please talk to your children and ask them about their weekly challenges. I am really looking forward to talking these through and watching how the children progress this term.

On Monday, we have Lisa Kerley and Steve Palmer joining us to introduce to the children the history project that we are working on in partnership with the Brading Community Archive Group. There will be a session the following week where you can come in and join the children – further details will be given in next weeks newsletter.

Enjoy the weekend and remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

**MENU CHANGE:** Next week we will be serving Fish and Chips / Spinach and Tomato Quiche on Thursday instead of Friday. Friday's dinner will be Spaghetti Bolognese / Macaroni Cheese.

**Attendance 17/12/18 – 21/12/18**

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: <b>97.1%</b> against our target of 97%.
Ash	99.4%	11	
Birch	94.1%	7	
Hawthorn	96.6%	6	
Beech	97.1%	6	
Maple	98.5%	2	

**OUR 'STARS OF THE WEEK' ARE:**

- ★ Evie
- ★ Christiana
- ★ Hunter
- ★ Adam
- ★ Erin

Unfortunately headlice are around at the moment. Please regularly check your child's hair and keep long hair tied back. Headlice is not a reason for absence, treatment should be undertaken before or after school. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Birthdays:**

- 🎂 Wilf
- 🎂 Hunter
- 🎂 Alfie S
- 🎂 Sienna K

<b>SCHOOL LUNCH MENU</b>	<b>Monday 14/01/19</b>	<b>Tuesday 15/01/19</b>	<b>Wednesday 16/01/19</b>	<b>Thursday 17/01/19</b>	<b>Friday 18/01/19</b>
<b>Main</b>	Hot Dogs	Chicken Curry	Roast Pork	Battered Fish	Spaghetti Bolognese
<b>Vegetarian</b>	Vegetarian Hot Dogs	Lentil & Vegetable Curry	Quorn Roast	Spinach and Tomato Quiche	Macaroni Cheese
<b>Served with</b>	Wedges Coleslaw Green Salad	Broccoli Carrots	Roast Potatoes Cabbage Green Beans	Chips Beans Peas	Sweetcorn Mixed Peppers
<b>Dessert</b>	Chocolate Shortbread	Banana Sponge and Custard	Apple, Cheese and Biscuits	Chocolate and Vanilla Shortbread	Mixed Fruit Crumble and Custard

**Universal Free School Meals – Don't forget if your child is in Reception, year 1 or year 2 they can enjoy a meal each day without charge irrespective of your income. Our meals are prepared daily by our onsite team, why not give the lunches a try? If you would like to find out more about the school lunches please email [ycurran@caterlinkltd.co.uk](mailto:ycurran@caterlinkltd.co.uk)**

**Remember children who are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal are always offered a taster pot from the daily menu if they bring in a packed lunch from home.**

**If you have a spare minute, please complete Caterlink's online survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7P8DBZD>**

Thank you so much to those of you who have donated uniform to the school, it is very much appreciated. We now have plenty of jumpers, polo tops, trousers, skirts etc. to keep us going for a while, however we would still appreciate any PE kit that you may have spares of at home. Thank you for your support.

Please can you check your child's current uniform items and PE kit to check they aren't bringing someone else's home by mistake. It is easily done but that is why we encourage everyone to label uniform.

### **Brading School Cook – 25hrs**

We are seeking to recruit a talented and ambitious individual in Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School Monday to Friday – Term time only.

To apply, please email your CV to Yvonne Curran – Operations Manager at [ycurran@caterlinkltd.co.uk](mailto:ycurran@caterlinkltd.co.uk)

"Caterlink is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all employees to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS disclosure must be obtained for this role"

This appointment is offered on return of satisfactory professional references.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Feb 18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	February half term
Apr 8 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter Holidays
May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Bank Holiday Monday
May 27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup>	May half term
Jul 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Development Day—school closed to pupils
Jul 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Development Day—school closed to pupils
Jul 24 <sup>th</sup> – Aug 30 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Holidays

**Do Join us at the next**

**Fri 18 Jan**

**3.10pm-5pm**

**Then 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**





# Diarrhoea and vomiting in children

There's no specific cure for stomach bugs such as **Norovirus**. See tips to reduce the spread and treat symptoms

Keep kids home from school for



after symptoms have passed.  
This is enough time to let the  
virus run its course

If your child already has a serious  
illness, or symptoms last longer  
than a few days, contact your GP  
to seek advice

Visit [nhs.uk/norovirus](https://www.nhs.uk/norovirus)



**25** different  
strains of  
Norovirus  
are known to  
affect humans.

They're the most common cause  
of stomach bugs in the UK

## Home Treatment



Paracetamol is  
useful for fever or  
aches and pains



Give kids plenty of water  
to stay hydrated and  
replace lost fluids



If your child feels  
like eating, give  
them bland foods