

Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School



We are a Team that Trust each other to unlock potential



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News from Brading CE Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs B Gilbert

Friday 15th December

Office Administrators: Miss Hughes, Ms Barnard

2023

Our Christian Values: Trust

Truth, Respect, Unity, Sincerity, Tolerance

This week our focus has been on all of our Christian Values



Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to start with a big thank you to all of the children in YRs 1,2,3,4,5,6 for their superb Christmas Around the World Celebration this week. It was really lovely to see so many parents/carers joining us and we hope that you all enjoyed it as much as we did. Of course I must thank the staff, without all their effort and support to the children we would not have had a show! I hope our Maldives and New Zealand parents/carers can join us on Monday for our Christingle Service. The service starts at 1pm, if you would like to join us and support the children walking to the church, we are leaving school at 12.30pm.

Next week we say goodbye to Miss Hughes in the office. We are really sad to see her leave and we will all miss her. Miss Hughes has been a part of our TEAM for over 10 years, starting her career with us. We wish her well in her new role with the local authority, our loss is certainly their gain!

We will be welcoming Andy Campbell, who will be starting with us 8th January as our new Assistant Business Manager

Have a lovely weekend and remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

Collective Worship this week...

This week Mr Barnes has been talking about Advent and the journey Mary and Joseph took to get to Bethlehem and why they had to go there.

Bible reflection

"Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for to you I entrust my life"
Ps. 143:8 NIV

KEY EVENTS NEXT WEEK!

Diary Dates

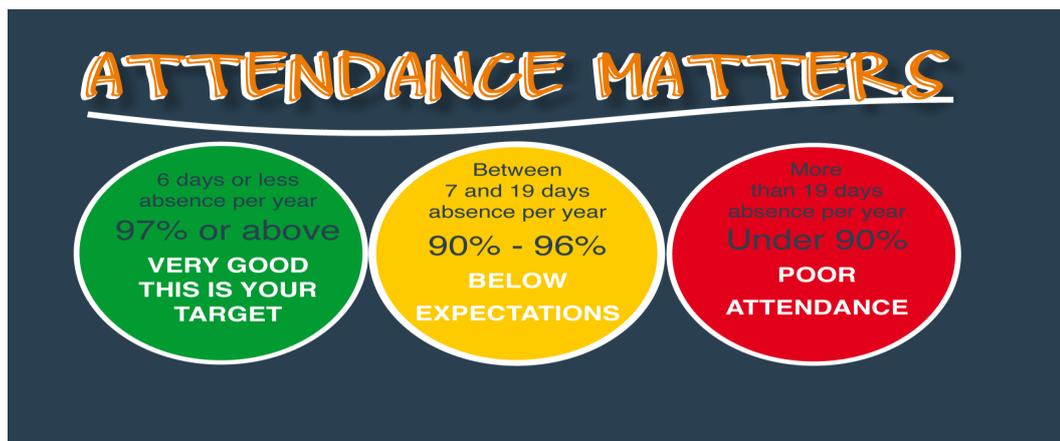
MONDAY 18th	TUESDAY 19th			
KS1 Christingle Service YR 1 & 2 1pm at St Marys Church	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner Day Normal pick up time - no after school care provision.		Christmas holidays 20th December - 1st January 2024 Back to school Tuesday 2nd January 2024	

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ...

As from Monday 18th December every child will be expected to go outside for break and lunch time - unless you provide us with written medical evidence from the doctor. Every child needs to have a break outside in the fresh air and enjoy their time outside with their peers.

REMINDERS:

Tuesday 19th December: Christmas Jumper Day - children can come in to school in their own clothes and wear their Christmas Jumper. This is also our Christmas dinner day. The menu option is only Christmas dinner or the vegetarian option on this day. If you have not booked a meal for that day your child will need to bring a home packed lunch.



Class	Attendance
St Lucia	73.1%
Maldives	93.3%
Cuba	84.4%
New Zealand	93.0%
Malta	91.7%
Galapagos	88.3%
Iceland	93.0%
Jamaica	97.9%
Hawaii	90.0%



Christmas Post Box

Our Christmas post box is in the main reception area ready for the children to post their cards to their friends. Please make sure each card is labelled with children's name and classes so the elves can deliver them to the right children!

Last day for posting is Monday 18th December!!!

SCHOOL MENU NEXT WEEK:

We also offer tomato pasta as well as jacket potatoes and sandwiches
with a selection of fillings each day



MONDAY 1st	TUESDAY 2nd	WEDNESDAY 3th	THURSDAY 4th	FRIDAY 5th
	Pork Sausages Strawberry Jelly	Roast Pork Orange Shortbread with fruit slices	Chicken & Vegetable Korma Banana & Carrot Cake	Fish Fingers Strawberry Frozen Yogurt

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Top Tips for a TECH-FREE CHRISTMAS

It can be difficult to stay away from technology and devices, and sometimes this means that people – of any age – can find it hard to be present in the moment. As a period when families are able to spend some quality time together and enjoy each other's company, Christmas is the perfect opportunity to step away from our phones, laptops and consoles and concentrate on the things that really matter. Follow our top ten tips for a tech-free festive period and make the most of this holiday season. Merry Christmas!

- ### 1. BOARD GAMES CAN BE FUN (HONEST)

OK, no one wants a repeat of that incident when your youngest had to pay triple rent on Mayfair, but going back to basics with a card or board game can be a fantastic bonding experience. Choose a game that even the youngest members of your family can enjoy and have a fun tech-free time.
- ### 2. MAKE YOUR OWN DECORATIONS

Spending time on arts and crafts is a brilliant way to relax and spend some productive time offline. Making your own Christmas decorations as a family can become a wholesome tradition and leave you with some treasured mementos, too.
- ### 3. GO FOR A WINTER WALK

Not much beats wrapping up warm on a crisp December day and taking a stroll. Whether alone or with the family, a walk is a fantastic way to clear your head and relish the break from hectic normal life. As an extra festive treat, why not make a flask of hot chocolate to take with you?
- ### 4. BAKE SOME FESTIVE TREATS

Not all Christmas cooking has to be a stressful chore that's timed with military precision. Baking some simple festive treats like cookies doesn't have to take hours – and will make sure you're stocked up on tasty things to offer any friends or family members who pop round.
- ### 5. READ A FAMILY STORY TOGETHER

Turn story time into an event. Make the living room or bedroom into a tech-free space, light some candles, make some hot drinks and reach for a classic Christmas tale. It's a fantastic way to relax before bed, and the right story will help to get the whole family into the festive spirit.
- ### 6. TURN OFF NOTIFICATIONS

It sounds obvious, but turning off email and app notifications can give you more control of your relationship with technology. Getting into the habit of checking your phone periodically – rather than reacting every time a notification arrives – helps you to stay present in the moment.
- ### 7. FEED THE BIRDS

Food's hard to come by for wildlife in winter, so helping our feathered friends is a very worthwhile reason to put down those devices and reconnect with nature. Fill a bird feeder in the garden or take a snack for the ducks in your local park (but ditch the bread in favour of oats, rice or birdseed).
- ### 8. SET DAILY LIMITS

Many apps and devices let you set reminders to let you know how long you've used them for that day. Setting daily limits puts you firmly in charge of your time and will help to ensure you don't miss out on any family Christmas memories because you're engrossed in your phone or laptop.
- ### 9. GET ON YOUR BIKE

Exercise, such as going for a run or a bike ride is an excellent way to burn off some of those Yuletide calories while giving your brain and eyes a break from screen-based activity. Physical exertion also helps reduce anxiety and releases endorphins which can improve your sense of wellbeing.
- ### 10. MAKE TIME FOR YOURSELF

There can be a lot of pressure to meet up with friends, make video calls and check in with people at Christmas – but remember that you need time to relax as well. Don't feel guilty about not replying to messages and emails immediately – the holiday is your chance to drop down a gear or two.

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WHAT HAVE WE BEEN LEARNING THIS WEEK?	
ANTIGUA	<p>This week in Antigua we have been super busy! Finishing off our nativity filming that we are so excited to show you all! The children have been amazing and we are so proud of how well they've joined in with all the songs and actions.</p> <p>We have also been busy building Santa houses with chimneys using bricks, matching pom poms and numbers on Christmas trees, mark making in "snow" and lots of other festive activities!</p>
ST LUCIA	<p>This week in St Lucia we have been continuing our Christmas theme, making snowmen, writing in snow, decorations and Christmas trees. We have also been working so hard on our Nativity and can't wait to show you all</p>
MALDIVES	<p>WOW - what a week! Proud teacher alert. The children have exceeded all of my expectations so a very big well done all round. Thank you to everybody who was able to come and watch our Christmas around the World and/or our parent outcome session. Please do not worry if you were unable to attend, I am sure the children have told you all about it. The children (as always) were only too pleased to show off their achievements. Every day they grow in confidence and resilience. We had an adult versus child quiz to check our learning of The Great Fire of London. We shared our home learning projects as well as learning in our books.</p> <p>This week, we have had lots of rehearsals for both our performance and KS1 Christingle service on Monday. We would love you to meet us (if possible) at school at 12.30 so that we can walk around together. Your child will be able to be signed out from the church following the service.</p> <p>Please have a lovely, well deserved break and I look forward to seeing you on the 2nd January.</p>
NEW ZEALAND	<p>This week in New Zealand class, we showcased our talents in the heart-warming "Christmas in Germany" performance, spreading festive cheer throughout the school. With joyous carols and delightful costumes, we transported everyone to the magical traditions of Germany. In maths, our focus was on 3D shapes, where pupils explored the world of cubes, spheres, and cylinders and looked at faces, edges and vertices to compare them.</p>
MALTA	<p>This week in Malta class we have had a fantastic week. On Monday we had our RE day and spent the day looking at angels as a symbol in Christianity. On Tuesday, the children spent the day looking at Aisha Haider as part of our art day. The children used the primary colours to create colour wheels, learnt about different paint textures and finished the day by creating a piece which replicated that of the work of Aisha Haider. The children have worked so hard this half term and I am so proud of all of their work. Have an amazing Christmas, Mr Baker :)</p>
GALAPAGOS	<p>What a week. We've packed so many exciting things in year 4. Let me start by saying how incredibly proud I am of the acting skills and the incredible singing Galapagos portrayed during their Christmas performance!</p> <p>As well as the performance we have also been finishing off our topic extreme earth where the children have brought in their take home tasks which look amazing! We also had an interactive one that we tried out in the playground.</p> <p>Additionally, this week we have had RE and Dt day where children learned about Hanukkah and then made their very own nativity scene! We also had a paper chain competition. What a fantastic (nearly) end of the term and year!</p>
ICELAND	<p>We've done DT day where we made a space project with an electrical element. We've also learnt about the Christmas story during RE day. The most exciting thing this week was performing our Christmas play. We had fun in PE the hall we played bench ball.</p>
JAMAICA	<p>This week in Jamaica we have finished our work through the human body. In maths we have been comparing fractions with decimals and percentages. We have started a PowerPoint about James Dyson. We had DT day and made lungs out of balloons.</p>
CUBA	<p>We have had another fantastic week in Cuba. We have been doing a lot of Christmas activities and having fun outside.</p>
HAWAII	<p>This week in Hawaii Class the children have been thinking about how they can work as a team. They have been helping each other take care of the classroom, been creating different games together and thinking about how they treat each other. They have enjoyed building Lego to use in their games and playing football.</p>

This week in pictures...



Watch out for more photos of our sponsored bounce and Christmas fun activities in our next newsletter...

From the Isle of Wight NHS Trust

Children's COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments – Children's Outpatient Department, North Hospital

We are offering the following Children's COVID Vaccination Clinics for Ages 5-11, Ages 12-15 and Ages 16-17 in the Children's Outpatients Department, North Hospital, St Mary's (NOT the Hospital Vaccine Hub). Accessible parking is available in the North Car Park.

Appointments must be booked in advance, we are unable to offer walk-ins.

After the 15 December the NBS booking system will not be available until the Spring and so **please book appointments by calling 0300 561 0018**

Please note that Children are eligible if:

- they have an immunosuppressed disorder
- or have close family contact with someone who has an immunosuppressed disorder
- or have not had any COVID vaccination in the past.

All vaccines offered will be the Pfizer XBB.1.5 vaccines.

Upcoming Children's Vaccination Clinic times (more to follow in January):

- Monday 18 Dec 2023, 08:00 – 12:30
- Monday 22 Jan 2023, 08:00 – 11:00

For any information regarding Children's COVID vaccinations, please email the Hospital Vaccine Hub

Would you like information on how to access additional support regarding your child's education?

Why not attend the Education & Early Help

Drop-in Session

Come and visit us at
the Ryde Family Hub
on 9th January 2024
between 09.30am and
12.30pm.



To Contact Early Help team please call 01983 823171

To Contact Education & Inclusion Service 01983 823151



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NOTICE BOARD

BEAVERS

TIME FOR FUN

For Children aged 6 - 8

For fun, friendship and activities that get you thinking as well as doing.

Join 2nd Ryde Beavers on Wednesday 6-7.15pm
8 Somerset Road.

Contact Wayne on 07425157023
wkibblewhite@yahoo.co.uk

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CHRISTMAS MARKET

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER
10:30AM TILL 4PM

ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH, CHURCH STREET, VENTNOR

Sandown's Christmas Funday

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2023
EVENT/STALLS 10:30-15:30

THE HIGH STREET
(FROM THE LIBRARY UP TO TOP OF PIER STREET)
THE BAY BAND AT 11AM
OUTSIDE SAINSBURYS
SAMBA BAND AT 1PM OUTSIDE SEA GROVE HOTEL
VECTIS CORPS OF DRUMS AT 2PM
SHANKLIN BRASS BAND AT 12.30PM
VOICES OF THE BAY CHOIR 11AM-12PM & 1.30-2.30 OUTSIDE SANDOWN LIBRARY
TRACEY'S BALLOONS 1PM-3PM
MARY POPPINS READING STORY'S IN THE IGLOO NEAR CO-OP 11:00 AND 15:30
MARTIN HOY SINGING OUTSIDE THE FRIENDS OF ANIMALS ALL DAY

THE CASTLE INN
12-14 FITZROY ST. SANDOWN PO36 8HY
MEET FATHER CHRISTMAS 10:30-15:30
EMILY WILD 11:00-12:00 CHRISTMAS BELLES 12:00-13:00
AJ THE ENTERTAINER 13:00-15:00
HOT DOGS SERVED 10:30-15:30

MISS POPPINS TOW
11.11.30 FROZEN DANCE FEVER (HIGH STREET)
12:00-13:30 SANDOWN STARS PERFORMANCES (METHODISTS CHURCH)
14:00-15:30 ONCE UPON A GROTTO (HIGH STREET)

THE OLD COMICAL
15 ST JOHN'S ROAD, SANDOWN, PO36 8ES
MEET OUR SPECIAL GUESTS 10:30-15:30
BETHAN JOHN 10:30-11:30 PAOLO GRILLO 12:00-13:00
BOUNCY CASTLES FREE 10:30-15:30
CHRISTMAS BELLES 14:00-15:00
DON BURGERS 10:30-15:30

GAULKHEADS
42-44 AVENUE RD, SANDOWN PO36 8AY
MEET THE GRINCH & FRIENDS 10:30-15:30
VINTAGE FAYRE 10:30-15:30
EMILY WILD 12:30-13:30 DOUBLE TAKE 14:00-15:00
STEVO HULL MAGICIAN 11AM

IF ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS OCCUR, THE EVENT WILL STILL TAKE PLACE AS SCHEDULED. WE WILL BE LOCATED IN THE PUBS AS PLANNED, AS WELL AS IN THE WIGHT BAY HOTEL SITUATED AT BEACHFIELD ROAD.

CHRISTMAS BARN

Sun 10th & 17th & Tuesday 19th December
10.30am - 3pm

KIDZONE

Track down the 10 snowmen to claim your chocolate
Make a tree decoration £4
Please book this activity on our website before 8.30am of the day

RECYCLOGICAL
17th Christmas Tree display by local children

10th - Mulled apple juice, mince pies and Carols
12.30 for 1pm

MORE INFO'
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BLACKWATER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 18th

KS1 Christingle Service 1pm St Marys

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas dinner & Christmas Jumper Day

Please note: normal school pick up time - no after school care - thank you.

Wednesday 20th December – Monday 1st January 2024

Christmas holidays

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2024

February half term

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024

Easter holidays

Monday 6th May 2024

Bank holiday Monday

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May 2024

May half term

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th July 2024

Development days

Monday 29th July – Friday 30th August 2024

Summer holidays



WESTRIDGE

GOLF CENTRE



CHRISTMAS JUNIOR

GOLF FESTIVAL

Wednesday 20th December

10am – 2pm

Only £30pp



Enjoy a fun day of golf with your academy coaches taking part in a series of games & fun skills challenges. **The day includes all equipment, golf balls, lunch & refreshments.**



SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF STAFF TO GET SIGNED UP TODAY!



PSA Professional

Reflection of the week...



LEAVE A LITTLE
SPARKLE
WHEREVER
YOU GO.