

Dear Parents / Carers,

29th September 2017

This week I have been in and out of classrooms monitoring lessons and books, it's brilliant to see how well everyone has settled in to the new academic year and the hard work they are producing. Keep it up!

We have had some fantastic comments from the public regarding the behaviour of the year 3 and 4 children when they go swimming – well done to everyone. It makes me so proud to be headteacher at Brading.

On Monday we are having our Harvest Festival in school, starting at 2pm. We will be supporting the food bank again this year, which is an extremely good cause that supports Island families, so please be generous and send in as much as possible (no fresh produce please). We look forward to seeing you on Monday afternoon. During the Harvest Festival we will be announcing who is our Head Boy and Head Girl, as well as our deputies and house captains, so it would be fabulous to see lots of year 6 parents/carers there.

We will also be taking the children to the Brading Horticultural show on Wednesday morning so they can see the work they have entered, as well as the other exhibits. If your child hasn't brought back their annual EV3 form I'm afraid they will not be able to attend, so please ensure all outstanding forms are returned on Monday if you have not already done so.

Finally, the Friends of Brading will be holding their first meeting of the new academic year after Friday's Celebration Worship. All welcome, especially those who are new to the school and wanting to get involved. If you can't make it and want to know more, then speak to Sam Travis (Josh's mum) for more information.

Remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

The change to a 2-11 school has been exciting for us and it has been really lovely to see how well the children from 2 years old and up have settled in. All families with 3 and 4 year old children are entitled to 15 funded hours of early education a week, from 1st January, 1st April or 1st September following your child's 3rd birthday. In addition to this, subject to eligibility criteria, the Government offers 15 hour funded places for 2 year olds and 30 hour funded places for 3-4 year olds. If you think your child could be eligible please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to check eligibility and apply for the funding. HMRC offer a new scheme which enables parents to benefit from paying childcare fees before taxation of income, not just those who are registered for voucher schemes or part of an employer's salary sacrifice scheme. This scheme needs you to register with HMRC at www.childcarechoices.gov.uk and HMRC will then set up an account to pay childcare / early education fees from, adding £2 for each £8 that you spend up to a limit of £2,000 per year. If you would like help with any of this or would like an application form for our Early Years provision, then please come in and talk to Mrs Stubbs in the office.

If any children in years R, 1, 2, 3 or 4 have a flu immunisation consent form outstanding, can this please be returned to school by Monday morning at the latest, as they will be collected on Monday afternoon. Thank you.

MENU CHANGE Thursday 5th October: Hot Dog with Onions/Cheese and Tomato Pizza(v), Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Chocolate and Mandarin Cake with Chocolate Sauce or Fresh Fruit Platter.

Club letters went home with all children in years 1-6 yesterday. Please note that when your child signs up for a club, this is a commitment for the whole ten week block. Any children who miss more than 1 session with no prior warning will risk losing their space in their chosen club.

**Golden Tickets
w/c 3rd October 2017:**

- ☺ Kaydee-May
- ☺ Ryan
- ☺ Owen
- ☺ Thomas

Birthday:
🎂 Aleisha

Attendance 18/09/17 - 22/09/17

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 97.3% against our target of 97%.
Picasso	99.4%	4	
Van Gogh	95.8%	3	
Matisse	98.8%	3	
Monet	98.9%	0	
Banksy	94.6%	3	

Can we remind you that any medical appointments i.e. doctors, dentist, opticians appointments should be made **after** school time, unless it is an emergency.

Lunch menu w/c Monday 2nd October

Monday: Beef Burger with Jacket

Wedges/Vegetable Lasagne(v), Coleslaw and Sweetcorn, Orange Bread & Butter Pudding.

Tuesday: Chicken Neapolitan Wholemeal

Pasta/Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Turnover with New Potatoes, Broccoli and Carrots, Wholemeal Banana Loaf.

Wednesday: Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy/Mixed Vegetable Loaf(v), Carrots and Courgettes, Vanilla Shortbread.

Thursday: Hot Dog with Onions/Cheese and Tomato Pizza(v), Potato Wedges, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Chocolate and Mandarin Cake with Chocolate Sauce or Fresh Fruit Platter.

Friday: MSC Fish Fingers with Chips/Cheese and Tomato Quiche(v), Baked Beans and Garden Peas, Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie.

Fresh fruit, salad and yoghurt is available to children every day, as well as taster pots for those children who bring in a packed lunch from home.

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS

Sandown Bay Academy – Thursday 12th October 6pm – 8pm

Carisbrooke College – Thursday 5th October 5-8pm

Medina College – Tuesday 10th October 6-8:30pm

Ryde Academy – Thursday 5th October 4:30-7pm

Cowes Enterprise College – Thursday 28th September 6-8:30pm

The Island Free School – Saturday 14th October 11am – 3pm

Pupil Premium is a grant provided to enhance educational opportunity for children in families of low income. The grant includes the provision of free school meals. This is one aspect of support available to families of low income. Your child may be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant. Please see Miss Hughes where she can provide you with a form to fill out. It means your child gets a super meal and the school gets more funding!

We strongly advise everyone to put children's names into all clothing they bring to school, especially jumpers and PE kit.

Please remember to provide your children with a bottle every day which is filled with water only.

Peculiar pop-up puppets at Newport Roman Villa

Monday 23 October, 11am - 3pm

Come and make your own spooky pop-up puppet to take home.

Creepy Clay day at Newport Roman Villa

Wednesday 25 October, 11am - 3pm

Come and make your own miniature grotesque mask to take home.

Events just £1 per person. No booking required.

Events organised by the Isle of Wight Council Heritage Service.

Newport Roman Villa, Cypress Road, Newport, PO30 1HA

Further information - T 01983 529720 / 823433

We are in the process of arranging E-Safety training for parents/carers at the Brading town hall. Once everything has been organised, we will give you further details. If this is something that you are interested in, please see Miss Hughes.

REMINDER: The cost of breakfast club is rising to £2 per child, per session after the October half term.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Oct 2 nd	Harvest Festival – assembly 2:00pm First session of KS1 Fun ASC 3-4pm First session of KS1 Sport ASC 3-4pm First session of Recorders ASC 3-4pm
Oct 4 th	Horticultural show First session of KS2 Sewing ASC 3-4pm First session of KS2 Art ASC 3-4pm
Oct 5 th	Year 3 & 4 Swimming lesson at the Heights – week 4 of 10 First session of KS2 Cookery ASC 3-4pm
Oct 6 th	First Celebration Worship of the academic year – 9am Friends of Brading meeting 9:30am Tag Rugby Festival – 3:30pm at Broadlea primary
Oct 12 th	Banksy UKSA trip
Oct 20 th	Monet Osborne House trip
Oct 16 th	School Photo's
Oct 23 rd – 27 th	October Half Term
Oct 31 st	Matisse Osborne House trip
Dec 22 nd – Jan 3 rd	Christmas Holidays
Jan 4 th	Development Day – school closed to pupils
Jan 5 th	Development Day – school closed to pupils