

Dear Parents / Carers,

20th October 2017

I can't believe we have completed the first half term of this academic year. Time has flown by so quickly. Already this half term we've had trips to UKSA and Osborne House, swimming lessons, Harvest festival, Horticultural show, Go Yellow! afternoon and lots more – it's been really busy. I'm sure next half term will be even busier with all our Christmas activities, once these have been finalised you will be informed, there's going to be lots to look forward to!

This week we have interviewed for two LSA apprenticeships, I am really pleased to say we have Miss Rowley and Mrs Slade-Coombs joining the team after half term. Miss Rowley will be based in Early Years while Mrs Slade-Coombs will be in Banksy class.

Also this week the school photographer has been in to take individual and sibling photos. The photographer has taken some really lovely photos of the children that I'm sure will make great family Christmas gifts, the proofs will be back after half term.

Thank you to all the children and parents/carers for being so understanding with the current situation in the kitchen. All being well, we are hoping to have this fixed over the half term and go back to normal from the first day back. If this is not the case we will inform you straight away.

Today the Friends of Brading have met again to discuss fundraising ideas for the school. As usual they are planning a fabulous Christmas Fayre and Carols by Candlelight this year, and are also looking to organise a Uniform Swap Shop, more details will follow in the next newsletter, as well as the next meeting date. It would be fabulous to see more people there to help fundraise, the Friends of Brading is also open to members of the community and other family members.

Parent sessions for children in Van Gogh through to Banksy have been arranged for Tuesday 7th November from 1-5pm. Sign-up sheets will be available outside classrooms on the first day back, please make sure you sign up so you can discuss with your child's class teacher the fantastic progress they have already made this academic year, and how you can support them further.

Finally, I would like to wish you all an enjoyable half term. Please make sure you are safe when out and about now the nights are starting to draw in.





See you on Monday 30th October when gates open at 8:35am.

Mrs Gilbert.

REMINDER: The price of breakfast club is rising to £2 per child, per session as of Monday 30th October.

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. Remember this is planned for next Friday 3rd November from 3pm in the school hall.

**Golden Tickets
w/c 30th October:**

 Tegan
 Ethan
 Asher
 Aleisha

**Birthdays over the
half term:**

 Lexi
 Liam
 Caden
 Szymon
 Rares
 Gracie-May
 Alfie H

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

 Asher
 Rhys

Attendance 09/10/17 – 13/10/17

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 98.9% against our target of 97%.
Picasso	98.3%	6	
Van Gogh	99.3%	5	
Matisse	99.6%	7	
Monet	98.9%	7	
Banksy	98.3%	4	

Lunch menu w/c Monday 30th October 2017

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: Spaghetti Beef Bolognese/Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice(v), Roasted Mixed Vegetables, Eves Pudding with Custard.
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.

Thinkuknow?

Do you really know... what your children are doing online? Are they safe? Spend a few minutes this holiday looking at 'Thinkuknow' with your child.

Thank you for your time.

Jane Hindle, Family Liaison.

FREE!

Dark Wight Skies 2017

27th October 7pm - 10 pm
 The Isle of Wight Observatory,
 Watery Lane, Sandown,
 PO36 0LX

Learn about the value of dark skies

Use telescopes

Talks and activities

Star gazing* *weather dependant

Suitable for all ages * Bring a torch and wear warm clothing

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Oct 23 rd – 27 th	October Half Term
Oct 30 th	Van Gogh Osborne House trip
	KS1 Fun ASC 3-4pm
	KS1 Sport ASC 3-4pm
	Recorders ASC 3-4pm
Oct 31 st	Matisse Osborne House trip
Nov 1 st	KS2 Sewing ASC 3-4pm
	KS2 Art ASC 3-4pm
Nov 2 nd	New intake day for September 2018 Foundation Stage
	Year 3 & 4 Swimming lesson at the Heights – week 6 of 10
	KS2 Cookery ASC 3-4pm
Nov 3 rd	Flu vaccinations for FS, 1, 2, 3 & 4 – 3pm onwards in the school hall
Nov 7th	Parent sessions years 1-6 - 1-5pm
Nov 15 th	Banksy 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
Jan 8th	First day back after Christmas Holidays
Feb 12th – 16th	February half term
Mar 22nd – Apr 13th	Easter holidays
May 7th	Bank Holiday Monday
May 28th – Jun 1st	May half term