

Dear Parents / Carers,

8th December 2017

Thanks to everyone who brought in prizes for the chocolate tombola today, next week is another mufti day for cakes. I can't believe how quickly the fayre has come around! It's set to be another fantastic fundraising event. All are welcome to attend; it starts at 2:00 and will be mainly in the school hall. The Friends of Brading have been working hard to set up exciting stalls for the children and have collected some fabulous raffle prizes, it would be great to see lots of you there!

Instead of taking the children out this year we welcomed the Kinetic Theatre back to school for our Christmas treat. They put on a fantastic performance called 'Down to Earth', the children thoroughly enjoyed it and it was a fun filled way of learning outside of the classrooms.

Also this week our LLPR Matthew Rixon came in to see how we are moving forward. I was so proud of all the children, it was lovely to see how hard they were working and improving their work – well done to all.

This year's Carols by Candlelight service will be held at St Mary's Church from 5:30pm. Tickets are available to buy from Monday at £1.50 a ticket. We would like children to wear Christmas jumpers for the event. Refreshments will be available at a small cost. The children have been practicing super hard so I'm sure it's going to be fabulous!

It has definitely felt colder towards the end of this week. We have received a weather warning which states: **"The Met Office advise that there is a 90 % probability of cold temperatures day and night, significant wind chill and possible snow showers between 1800 Thursday 7 December and 0800 Tuesday 12 December in the South East of England (the more detailed forecast, in respect of snow, shows snow being most likely in the north and eastern coastal areas of England)"**. Just to remind you again about our procedures for snow please listen carefully to Isle of Wight Radio and look at the school closure list on www.iwight.com. We will also send out text messages to keep you informed.

On the subject of cold weather, can I please remind you that the children should now be wearing warm winter coats to school. Children can also wear a hat and gloves but please no scarves. Thank you.

Finally, it has been brought to my attention that children are walking up the ramp to school unaccompanied. It is our expectation that children from FS to Year 4 are accompanied by an adult to the school gate, as well as being collected by an adult at 3pm. If there is someone else collecting your child, please make sure you inform the office or class teachers.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Gilbert

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

Jot down your answers to our Christmas quiz on a piece of paper to be in with a chance of winning a prize!

1. *What is the name of the reindeer with a red nose?*
2. *Where does Father Christmas live?*
3. *What other names does Father Christmas have?*
4. *Where was baby Jesus born?*
5. *In the song "12 days of Christmas", what was the gift on the fifth day?*


Entries to be handed to the office by Friday 15th December please!

Attendance 27/11/17 - 01/12/17

Class	Attendance	Lates	Whole school attendance for the week: 93.5% against our target of 97%.
Picasso	91.6%	2	
Van Gogh	93.7%	2	
Matisse	89.2%	1	
Monet	98.9%	1	
Banksy	95%	3	

We have had several cases of sickness and diarrhoea amongst the children, the guidance now states that children should remain off school **48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting**. Can you also remind children how important it is to wash hands to stop the bug from spreading.

Birthdays:

 Charlie-Jay

Only 17 days
until Christmas
Day!



Lunch menu w/c Monday 11th December

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.

If your child has taken home any clothing that belongs to school including pants, tights, trousers, jumpers, PE kit can these please be returned to school before the Christmas holidays ready for the new term.

Also, if you have any school clothes that your child has grown out of, we would really appreciate them for spares. Please bring them to the office.

Family Centres Christmas period Opening times



Family Centres will be open as normal until Friday 22 December and return to full hours from Tuesday 2nd January 2018

We are closed on Bank holidays but will have staff available at the following centres for calls or drop ins

Wednesday 27th December (9-4pm)

East Newport Family Centre 01983 529208
Ryde Family Centre 01983 617617

Thursday 28th December (9-4pm)

Ryde Family Centre 01983 617617
Sandown Family Centre 01983 408718

Friday 29th December (9 – 12am)

West Newport Family Centre
01983 537390
East Cowes Family Centre
01983 294701



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dec 11 th	Last session of KS1 Fun ASC 3-4pm Last session of KS1 Sport ASC 3-4pm
Dec 13 th	Last session of Recorders ASC 3-4pm KS2 Dementia Friendly Carol Service Las session of KS2 Sewing ASC 3-4pm Last session of KS2 Art ASC 3-4pm
Dec 14 th	Last session of KS2 Cookery ASC 3-4pm
Dec 15 th	Mufti day for Cakes Christmas Fayre 2-3:30pm
Dec 18 th	KS2 Christmas Sing at Acia Care Home
Dec 19 th	Community Tea Party with Age UK – 2-3pm
Dec 20 th	Mufti Day Party afternoon Christmas Dinner Carols by Candlelight
Dec 21 st	Christingle & Christmas Church Service
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 8 th	First day back after Christmas Holidays