

Dear Parents / Carers,

28th February 2020

I hope you all had a wonderful half term – it seems so far away already!

Firstly, I have great pleasure in saying our OFSTED report for 11th February is now finalised and we continue to be a good school. There are many, many strengths of the school in the report, but a few stand out to me. These include:

“Pupils at Brading school learn well together in an inclusive and supportive environment. All pupils are accepted as individuals, working together as part of a strong community.”

“Pupils’ individual needs always come first, reflecting the schools Christian ethos.”

“Highly structured and individual programmes are in place.”

“Parent’s appreciate this support, one describing it as ‘going above and beyond’.”

“One pupil said, ‘Brading wouldn’t be the same without all the different kinds of children.’”

I just want to say how proud I am to be the headteacher of Brading and want to say a huge thank you to all the staff, governors, children and yourselves.

In other news this week, all classes started off their new topics and their different ‘hooks’. We have had Zig Zag class flipping pancakes, Maldives class having a huge beanstalk appear in their classroom leading them to a golden egg to look after. New Zealand will be making their own miniature gardens. Malta and Galapagos have had their trips to Osborne House, while Iceland have been setting up a courtroom and digging holes. Reykjavik class have been playing the ‘Trading Game’.

We want to continue to inspire and enthuse the children and feel that ‘hooks’ are the best way to start. Also, on 13th March we are having our first careers day in school where different companies and individuals are joining us and the whole school will get a chance to meet them. Our aim is to develop the curriculum to enable the children to start thinking what careers and opportunities are there for them in the future.

Don’t forget next Friday we are celebrating World Book Day in school, so we are looking forward to seeing all your fantastic book character costumes! Mrs Wheeler will be taking sharing worship on the day so please come and join in the fun – with or without a costume!

Finally, I would just like to remind you again about our procedures for snow. If we are to have inclement weather, all information will be provided by IOW Radio, on the IW County Press website, as well as text updates from the school. With this in mind, please make sure we have up to date contact numbers for you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

Behaviour Awards

Fletcher	Beau K	Szymon	Joey P	Stevie
Ivy H	Sophia	Ivy H	Lilly	Morgan
Leo	Luke	Olivia E	Raiya	Olivia F
Reuben	Gracie-Mae	Lottie	Sean	Sienna S
Madison	Nathaniel	Christiana	Ethan	Conan
All of Galapagos class				

OUR ‘STARS OF THE WEEK’ ARE:



- ★ Ellyde
- ★ Luke
- ★ Christiana
- ★ All of Galapagos
- ★ Sophie P
- ★ Melissa

Attendance – 10/02/2020 – 14/02/2020

Class	Attendance	Lates
Zig Zag	95.7%	0
Maldives	95.5%	3
New Zealand	95.8%	1
Malta	99.2%	2
Galapagos	97%	2
Iceland	98.6%	2
Reykjavik	94.1%	5
Hawaii	84.6%	0

Whole school attendance for the week: **96.6%** against our target of 97%.

Birthdays:

-  Conan
-  Olivia F
-  Maisie
-  Stevie
-  Caiden

PLATINUM TICKETS

Isla M	Logan
Ellyse	Alfie W
Ameira	Henry

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU	Monday 02/03/20	Tuesday 03/03/20	Wednesday 04/03/20	Thursday 05/03/20	Friday 06/03/20
Main	Chicken Curry	Sausage & Mash	Roast Turkey	Fish Fingers	Bacon & Sausage
Vegetarian	Cheese Whirl	Veggie Sausages	Quorn	Cheese & Tomato Quiche	Veggie Bacon / Sausage
Served with	50/50 Rice New Potatoes Sweetcorn Cabbage	Mashed Potatoes Peas Cauliflower Gravy	Roast Potatoes Carrots Green Beans	Chips Beans Peas	Scrambled Egg Baked Beans Tomato Bread
Dessert	Apple Flapjack	Chocolate Cake	Apple, Cheese and Crackers	Orange & Lemon Shortbread	Shortbread

Brading Boomtown Builders

Since before Christmas, a group of year 5 children have been busy after school designing and building a town made of Lego. Ten weeks ago we were presented with a box of programmable Lego which uses Bluetooth (via an iPad) to command an engine to move. The brief was to design a town with accessibility, durability and sustainability in mind.

This Tuesday afternoon, our team presented their builds along with 10 other primary schools across the Island. There were some impressive designs and Isle of Wight Radio were there to report on the event and speak to the children taking part. All the builders were presented with a medal (made of Lego!) and a certificate.

Mrs Wootton and Mrs Cooney are very proud of all of our team members for taking part and our build shone out against the other schools.

You can read more about the event here - <https://iwradio.co.uk/2020/02/26/isle-of-wight-pupils-building-bridges-thanks-to-ryde-lego-tournament/>



Caterlink are putting on a special All Day Breakfast menu for World Book Day, so we will be serving Fish & Chips on Thursday next week instead. Please see the menu below:

- Hagrid's Bacon (*Harry Potter*)
- Snozzcumber Sausage (*The BFG*)
- Scrambled Green Eggs (*Dr Seuss*)
- Oompa Loompa Beans (*Charlie & The Chocolate Factory*)
- Harriet Tomato (*Harriet the Spy*)
- Paddington's Bread (*Paddington Bear*)
- Maleficent Shortbread (*Disney*)

Dinners are £2.05 unless registered for Free School Meals / entitled to a Universal Free School meal.

If you were not already aware, there is now an outreach session for 45 minutes weekly at the The Old School Café for a pharmacy drop in. Sue Birch, who is a member of the Brading Community Partnership, worked really hard to put this into place. To enable this service to continue, members of the public need to use it weekly – it is every Monday from 1:15pm – 2pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mar 4 th	Malta class trip to the Garlic Farm
Mar 6 th	World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character!
Mar 13 th	Careers Day
Mar 27 th	Mental Health day
Apr 6 th – 17 th	Easter Holidays
May 8 th	Bank Holiday
May 11 th – 15 th	Year 6 SATS week
May 25 th – 29 th	May half term
Jul 22 nd	Development day – school closed to pupils
Jul 23 rd	Development day – school closed to pupils
Jul 24 th	Development day – school closed to pupils



Picture News

at Home

24th February 2020

What's going on this week?



The new batch of emojis to be released in 2020 has been revealed. They include a range of different facial expressions and some of the more random additions include a log, a mirror and a green pepper. One of the new emojis is called "pinched fingers" and depending on where you are in the world it could have a completely different meaning. Its official purpose, according to its creators, is to represent the way an Italian might ask "what do you want?". But it may have many different interpretations worldwide.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🌱 Do you know what emojis are? Have you ever used them?
- 🌱 Do you think emojis are a good idea? Why?
- 🌱 If you could create your own emoji what would it look like and what would it be for?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...



Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others on our discussion board: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

JOIN US FOR THE
LAUNCH OF

Tuesday

Grub Club

BECAUSE GROWING, COOKING AND
EATING TOGETHER IS FANTASTIC FUN

Email: grubclub2020@gmail.com
txt Ali: 075 0000 7437

Grub Club is a new and exciting free club being hosted by the Brading Community Partnership and is part of their "Healthy Lives and Healthy Communities" project.

The club is aimed at 8-12 year olds, however there is no age restriction and all are welcome to come and join us in the fun of planting, cooking and eating together!

Date: Tuesday, 3rd March 2020

Time: 3.30 - 5.30

Venue: Brading Old School, High Street,
Brading, Isle of Wight PO36 0DH

COME ALONG AND DISCOVER THE FUN
ACTIVITIES WE HAVE PLANNED

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Celebrate International Women's Day on Sunday March 8th, 10am-12pm with Adult Community Learning.

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. Sign up to one of our workshop and have fun learning a new skill with your child whilst celebrating this great day. Call 817280 or e-mail acl@iow.gov.uk for more information and to book. £10 a workshop, one child 10+ per adult – booking essential.

Indian Block Printing - Taster session to introduce you to fabric printing with genuine blocks purchased in India, be transported back to the days of potato printing as a child! Learn how to use single and double printing blocks to build your own patterns and create colourful designs and prints. (Please bring a piece of pure natural fabric (cotton or silk), minimum of half a metre square).

Tie Dye T-Shirt - Short workshop that gives an opportunity to work alongside your child to create a matching (or not), fun and usable tie dye t-shirt. Experience a range of tie dye methods and transfer them to your t-shirt design whilst considering basic colour theory in order to create an appealing colour on your t-shirt. (Please both bring a plain white t-shirt each and carrier bags to take them home in).

Creative Mask Decoration - Bring your mask alive with a variety of bright, sparkly coloured embellishments and transform it into a character of your choice, or design your own unique one. Whether you chose to wear your mask or use it as a wall decoration, the choice is up to you. Masks can be fun, mysterious and even frightening!

Dot Art Mandal - Draw a dot mandala onto a wooden heart and then use different sized dowels to create a Chakra pattern in different colours using acrylic paint.

Active Travel Week—9th to 13th March 2020



Pupils, parents and staff are invited to participate in the island wide



challenge.