

Dear Parents / Carers, 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020

What a fantastic day we had for this year's World Book Day! There were some amazing costumes (children and staff!) and the children really enjoyed their World Book Day activities. Thank you to Mrs Wheeler for organising another brilliant World Book Day. Next week local author Jules Marriner will be in to work with Key Stage 1 for further book day activities.

Also this week, a group of spellers competed in the Spelling Bee competition, Mrs Cooney has included more information about this on the second page of the newsletter. A big well done to Summer-Leigh, Morgan, Alfie O and Sophie P, and thank you to Mrs Cooney and Mr Piggott for accompanying the children.

Despite the rain, Malta class had a great time at The Garlic Farm on Wednesday morning. They got to make their own garlic bread and plant their own garlic seeds to take home.

Year 5 had an exciting day at Ryde Academy today as part of a transition day. Mrs Skelley said their behaviour was amazing and they were great ambassadors for Brading.

I am pleased to say that we have appointed two new teachers for September; Miss Ward and Miss Silk. Both have had training at Brading as part of their teaching qualification so they already know the children really well already, we are looking forward to them becoming part of the Brading team.

On the last page of the newsletter, we have included information that we have been sent through from the government on Coronavirus. Don't forget the importance of washing your hands frequently and thoroughly to prevent the spread of infection.

Finally, don't forget that we are having our careers day next Friday for the whole school. Parents/carers are invited in from 12:45, and the children will be going around in class groups to ask questions to all the exhibitors who are joining us. We are really looking forward to this fun and informative event and hope to see lots of you there.

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

Mrs Gilbert.

Attendance - 24/02/2020 - 28/02/2020			
Class	Attendance	Lates	
Zig Zag	92.1%	4	
Maldives	98.2%	4	
New Zealand	98.3%	0	
Malta	96.5%	5	
Galapagos	97.8%	2	
Iceland	97.2%	2	
Reykjavik	100%	2	
Hawaii	81.5%	0	

Whole school attendance for the week: **96%** against our target of 97%.

## OUR 'STARS OF THE WEEK' ARE:

★ Noah

Alissa 🖈

All of New Zealand

\* Rhea

★ Olek

**★** Melissa

Behaviour Awards					
Elliot	Oliver E	Ophelia	Jake	Olek	Summer
Elsie C	Amelia	Jessica	Maddie	Spencer	Liam
Ezekiel	Mia-May	lvy	Maddox	Ben P	Daniel H
Lilly-Rose	Isla	Ellyse	Ameira	Gracie	Melissa
Orson	Sophia	Elsie B	Lexie-Rose	Dexter	Joey C

**Birthdays:** ≝ Morgan ≝ Lilly B

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU	Monday 02/03/20	Tuesday 03/03/20	Wednesday 04/03/20	Thursday 05/03/20	Friday 06/03/20
Main	Cheese and Tomato French Bread Pizza	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Roast Pork	Chicken Pasta	Battered Fish
Vegetarian	Five Bean Chilli	Vegetable Bolognaise	Vegetable Wellington	Vegetable Stir Fry with Noodles	Cheese Frittata
Served with	Rice Sweetcorn Broccoli	Swede Carrot	Roast Potatoes Carrots Peas	Green Beans Cauliflower	Chips Beans Peas
Dessert	Oaty Cookie	Banana Sponge and Custard	Apple, Cheese and Crackers	Yoghurt and Fruit	Chocolate Orange Brownie

### Message from the office:

If your child has been reallocated a new GP surgery from Beechgrove, can you please advise the office of this if you have not already done so. This is to keep our records up to date. Many thanks.

Due to the roll-out of Universal Credit, the Department for Education have put in place transitional protections which mean that pupils who become eligible for Free School Meals during the Universal Credit rollout period, will retain eligibility at least until they leave Primary education.

This means that it is even more beneficial for you to apply for Free School Meals now. If you think there is a chance that your family could be eligible, please see Miss Hughes or Miss Larner for an application form.

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## Isle of Wight Inter-school Spelling Bee Competition

On Tuesday this week, Mr Piggott (Brading School Governor) and I took our school's best spellers to the Isle of Wight Inter-school Spelling Bee competition. There were 15 primary schools across the Island taking part and the competition was very kindly held at St Francis Primary School in Ventnor. There were quite a few spelling rounds to sit through with words increasing in difficulty each time. Words such as cacophony, phenomenal, privilege, abbreviate, vulnerable..... all trying to trip up the Island's best spellers.

We were commended by the organisers for our Team Spelling round. Each team member said one letter at a time for a particular word. If one of you went wrong, you all went wrong! The organisers said that we were the winners of that round. Although we didn't feature in the top 3 overall winning schools, I'm immensely proud of our group and the fact that we came top of the TEAM round - as per our school motto TEAM that TRUST each other.

Mrs Cooney

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mar 9<sup>th</sup> Clubs: KS1 Basketball and KS1 Lego 3-4pm
Mar 10<sup>th</sup> Clubs: KS2 Easter Craft 3-4pm
Mar 12<sup>th</sup> Clubs: Colouring and KS2 Computer 3-4pm
Mar 13<sup>th</sup> Careers Day – parents/carers in from 12:45pm

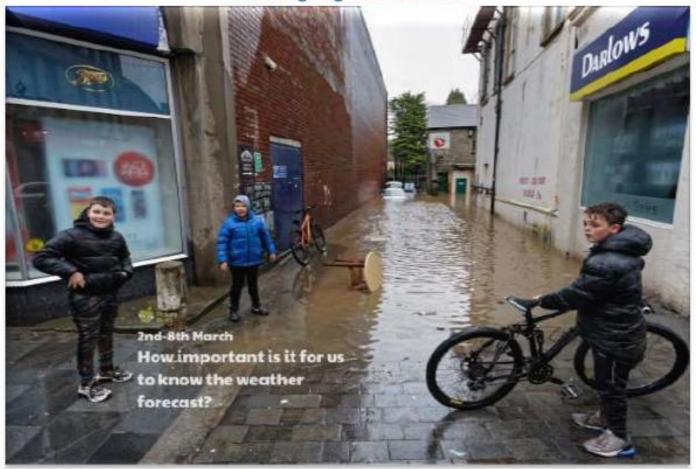
Mar 17<sup>th</sup> New Zealand class Amazon World trip Mar 20<sup>th</sup> Year 3 Golf lesson at Westridge

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Mar 27}^{\text{th}} & \text{Mental Health day} \\ \text{Apr } 6^{\text{th}} - 17^{\text{th}} & \text{Easter Holidays} \\ \text{May 8}^{\text{th}} & \text{Bank Holiday} \\ \text{May } 11^{\text{th}} - 15^{\text{th}} & \text{Year 6 SATS week} \\ \text{May } 25^{\text{th}} - 29^{\text{th}} & \text{May half term} \end{array}$ 

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2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 What's going on this week?



A supercomputer is to be developed to support the Met Office in a huge project to improve weather forecasting. The new technology is to be funded by a £1.2 billion investment from the government and will be managed by the Met Office. It is expected the computer will be the most powerful forecasting system in the world and will be able to offer more precise weather and flood updates.

Things to talk about at home...

- Do you listen to or read about the weather forecast?
- Does knowing the weather forecast change any of your daily activities?
- Has there ever been any extreme weather near where you live?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...







# Active Travel Week—9th to 13th March 2020



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









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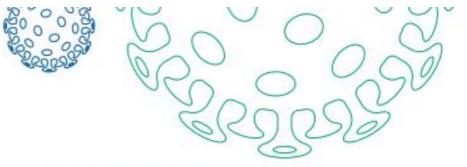


# Family Activities on the Isle of Wight At Osborne and Carisbrooke 2020

All events are free to English Heritage Members and just normal entry fees apply for non-members except for the events with a \* where supplementary charges will be applied for members and an event price for non-members.

At Osborne House		
15 <sup>th</sup> February – 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Half Term event: Get Hands on With History: Country	
	House – come and meet the butler, create napkin art, join	
	our etiquette school and more.	
7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Activities: World Book Day/Mothering Sunday	
	crafts and activities.	
4 <sup>th</sup> April – 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Adventure Quest	
26 <sup>th</sup> May – 28 <sup>th</sup> May	The Great Victorian Show	
20 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> June*	Blooming Gardens Weekend including a family craft tent	
25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Family Activities: Seaside theme activities	
August	Punch And Judy	
26 <sup>th</sup> and 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Family Activities: Autumn theme	
26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Victorian Falconry	
28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> November*	Victorian Christmas	
December Date TBC	Family Activities: Christmas Crafts	
	At Carisbrooke Castle	
15th February – 23rd February	Get Hands On With History - Outdoor Adventures	
4 <sup>th</sup> April – 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Adventure Quest	
8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Family Activity Weekend	
23 <sup>rd</sup> May – 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Get Hands On With History: Normans and Saxons	
27 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup> June*	Open Air Shakespeare Event : Hamlet	
	Activities for children pre-show and during the interval	
11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Family Activity Weekend	
25 <sup>th</sup> July – 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Summer Kids Fun	
4 <sup>th</sup> August – 6 <sup>th</sup> August*	A Civil War event	
18 <sup>th</sup> August – 20 <sup>th</sup> August*	Legendary Joust	
25 <sup>th</sup> August – 27 <sup>th</sup> August*	Legendary Joust	
24th to 31st October	Spooky Carisbrooke Castle	
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# Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

#### How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

### How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

### How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After break & sport activities



Before cooking & eating



On arrival at any childcare or educational



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

### What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call NHS 111 for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19. Parents can visit NHS.UK to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days.

See NHS.UK for advice on coronavirus.

