

Dear Parents/Carers

16th July 2021

Wow, I can't believe I am writing this last newsletter of this most unusual year, where we have had to deal with Covid and a huge building project all at the same time. As headteacher here for nearly 18 years I would say there has been many ups, downs, excitements and challenges but this is one, like all of us, I will never forget. I am so proud to be head here at Brading and to work with you all. I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for pulling together to enable us all to reach July without having to close any class bubbles through a Covid case in school. I especially want to say a huge thank you to the whole staff team who have gone over and above to ensure that the school has kept safe and ran efficiently, especially when I was not able to be on site during the Spring term. I would also like to say thank you to the Governing Board who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes supporting throughout the school year.

Today is the last day the classes will be working in their current year groups. Monday is when all the children move up to meet their new class teachers, except for year 6 who will be staying in their classroom working with Mr Bosworth and Mrs Wootton for the last 3 days. **Next week the children will need to come in via the new entrances they will be using in September. Please see attached a map to show where the children's classrooms will be and which entrances they will come in/leave. Hawaii class will be moving to the mobile but not until September, so their entrance will stay the same next week.**

I have been asked about staggered start times. The main reason these are staying in place is due to health and safety. The size of the school numbers has expanded greatly and we have over 180 children on roll, which means we cannot have all the children coming in together, and now that we also have our front entrance I do not want to have parents queueing in the car park at the start and end of the school day. We also listened to what you as parents said in the recent survey that went out in May in regards to how we can improve the staggered times and we have decided to reduce it down to 5 minutes between key stages and by having the pick-up areas closer together. The exciting element is that from September we will be able to extend the school day from 7:45am instead of 8:00am as well as having an after school club until 6:00pm. The costing of the wrap around care will be:

Breakfast club 7:45-8:30am - £2.50 per child per session

After school club 2:30 – 5:00pm - £5 per child per session (including snack)

2:30 – 6:00pm - £6 per child per session (including snack)

Miss Hughes sent out the wrap around care policy and booking form in an email yesterday afternoon. If you would like to book for the first week back then we will require the form to be returned by Monday 19th July please. We have attached the form and policy to the email as well in case you missed it.

We will also be having fun clubs back again, running from 2:30-3:30, which will run for 10 weeks and will include sports activities at least 4 times a week. There will be a cost of **£1** for these (if you are in receipt of free school meals there will be a separate cost). I am so excited that we are able to offer parents/carers these options for childcare from September, but we can only do these if we can cover the cost, therefore all payments **need to be paid in advance**.

Finally, during the summer holidays the final snagging list will be completed for the building works, and the builders will be taking over the school site for 2 weeks. We are also extending the area for EYFS with a fence being put up just on the grass area by the front entrance. We also have working taking place on the field behind the school which is now school land. This is going to be cleared so that we can put up our polytunnel again and develop a forest schools' area. In addition, the fencing is being finished in our new artificial grass area which means we can use it fully in September.

Please, please, please have a lovely summer and I look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday 1st September where our gates will open at 8:25am (or 7:45am if you are coming to breakfast club!)

Kind regards

Mrs Gilbert.

Dates for the diary:

Wednesday 21st July – Break up for Summer holidays* *please note change of date

Tuesday 31st August – Staff development day – no children in school

Wednesday 1st September – First day back after the Summer holidays





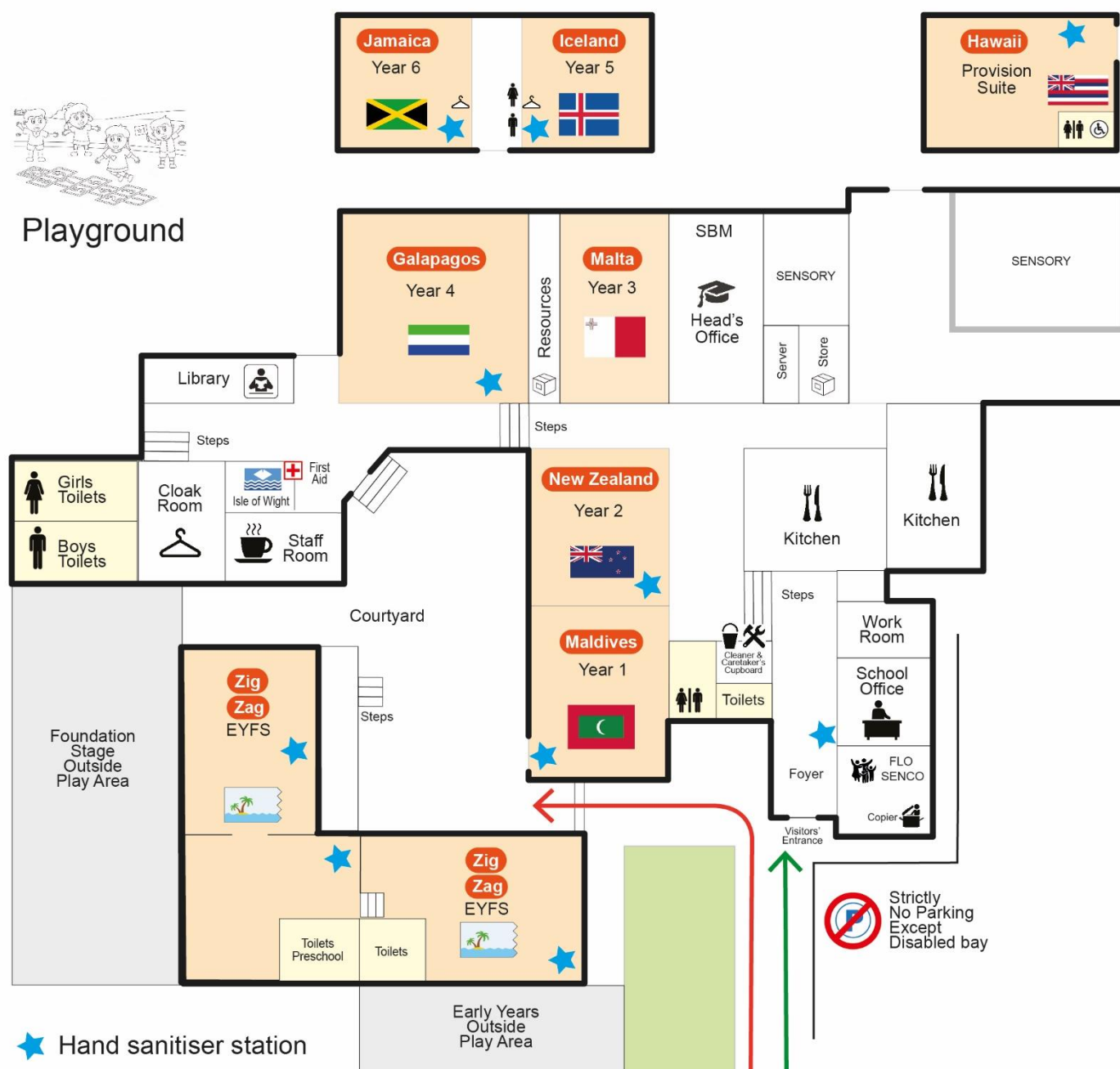
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if you need us

we are
always there

Welcome



Playground



★ Hand sanitiser station

**Staggered
Drop-off and Pick-up
times**

Side Entrance via Courtyard

EYFS	8:30-8:35 → 2:35
Year 4 (Galapagos)	8:25-8:30 → 2:30
Year 6 (Jamaica)	8:25-8:30 → 2:30

Office Entrance

KS1	8:30-8:35 → 2:35
Year 5 (Iceland)	8:25-8:30 → 2:30
Year 3 (Malta)	8:25-8:30 → 2:30



Food Bank vouchers are now being replaced with Food Parcels

If anyone wishes to order a food parcel or needs more information please contact the office or email jo.willshire@bradingcpri.iow.sch.uk

Closest Location

The Chapel
Winchester House
Sandown Road
Shanklin
PO37 6HT

Opening Times

Mon - Closed
Tue - 9:30 - 11:30
Wed - Closed
Thur - 16:30 - 18:30
Fri - 9:30 - 11:30
Sat/Sun - Closed

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PARENTS VOICE IW

sandcastle competition

We will be at Ryde Beach between 10am and 2pm
Every Friday morning in the holidays.

30th July – 6th August – 13th August – 20th August – 27th August

ARE YOU A PARENT / CARER?

ARE YOU A PARENT CARER OF A CHILD WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND/OR DISABILITY?

COME ALONG AND SAY HELLO, JOIN IN OUR SANDCASTLE COMPETITION OR JUST HAVE A CHAT. WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.



GREAT PRIZES

THERE WILL BE A SMALL PRIZE FOR EVERY CHILD THAT ENTERS. A £10 ENTERTAINER VOUCHER FOR THE WINNER OF EACH DAY AND A FAMILY TAKE-AWAY (UP TO £50) FOR THE OVER ALL WINNER FROM THE 4 WEEKS. COME ALONG AND GIVE IT A GO. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BUCKET AND SPADE.

Please contact Parents Voice IW for more information. parentsvoice@peoplematteriw.org – 07707 601122

JOIN US AT SEA VIEW YACHT CLUB FOR A DAY OF FUN ON-WATER ACTIVITIES

★ FUN SAILING GAMES

★ RIB DRIVING CHALLENGES

★ 17 / 07/2021

★ 10:00AM – 3:00PM

★ 8-15 YEARS

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HOLIDAY CLUBS

If you want your child to experience something new, check out our guide to some of the best holiday clubs happening on the Isle of Wight. It's got everything from sailing and horse riding to gymnastics. [Click here or follow the yellow Holiday Clubs button on the homepage.](#)



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