

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

What a lovely week we have had with the weather, it definitely feels like summer is now here, let's hope it stays! Please can you make sure children have sun hats for break times and lunch times, and can you please apply sun cream **before** school as staff are not able to re-apply it during the day.

## Class photos

Today each class has had a class photograph taken by our school photographer at Atlas Images. You should have all received a QR code and we are hoping they will be available to order from mid-week next week. We will notify you once we have heard from Atlas.

## Upcoming trips

We have lots of trips coming up including Maldives trip to Osborne House on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June, Galapagos are going to Yaverland beach on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July for their Jurassic Coast topic, and of course the year 6 leavers trips week commencing Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July. Please make sure that all permission slips are signed and trips are paid for, preferably via SchoolMoney as are trying to go cashless. Many thanks.

## Year 6 prom and leavers awards

We are all really looking forward to the year 6 prom, it will be a lovely way to celebrate our year 6 children all being together and everything they have achieved as a class. For the first part of the evening we will be having an awards ceremony which parents/carers are very welcome to stay for.

## Fun clubs

The children are still really enjoying the range of fabulous fun clubs we offered out for this term. Just to let you know the final week of fun clubs for this term is week ending Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July. They will start again next academic year, and once again we will be asking the children would they would like us to offer for the 10 session block.

## Wraparound care

We are really pleased with how this is developing and it is so lovely to see all the fun activities that are on offer daily for the children. If you would like to know more please check with the office, or you can book sessions via SchoolMoney.

## Parking

Just a gentle reminder, parking is even more difficult at the moment with the roof being replaced on the town hall. Please think carefully about where and how you are parking, as we have a great amount of children in school and I really don't want to report that an accident has happened. Can I also remind everyone to make sure you are holding on to your child's hand or that they are close to you when leaving the school as there have been a number of near misses where children have run out into the road or walked on the road rather than the pavement. The roads around school are narrow and busy so please make sure that your children are safe at all times.

Finally, some amazing news – Miss Grey has had her twin baby boys. We look forward to meeting them soon.

Have a fabulous weekend.

Remember my door is always open.

Mrs Gilbert.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Maldives trip to Osborne House

### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

EYFS / KS1 Sports Day – 12:30pm

### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

KS2 Sports Day – 12:30pm

Year 6 Prom & Leavers Awards

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 4 trip to Yaverland Beach

### **W/C Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July (dates tbc)**

Reports sent home

Parent / carer sessions

### **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 6 trip

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Move up days

Secondary school transition days

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Year 6 trips

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

Pre-school graduation

### **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Last day of term

### **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Development days

### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

Summer holidays

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

Development day

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

First day back for new academic year

# THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

## **Red Funnel and Isle of Wight Festival Art project**

*Brading Primary School children have made some artwork to be displayed on the Red Funnel ferries and in the terminals while the IOW Festival is on. This year's theme is "Sirens and Sailors: A Life Aquatic".*

*A school of fish - by reception class*

*A shimmer of mermaids - by year 4*

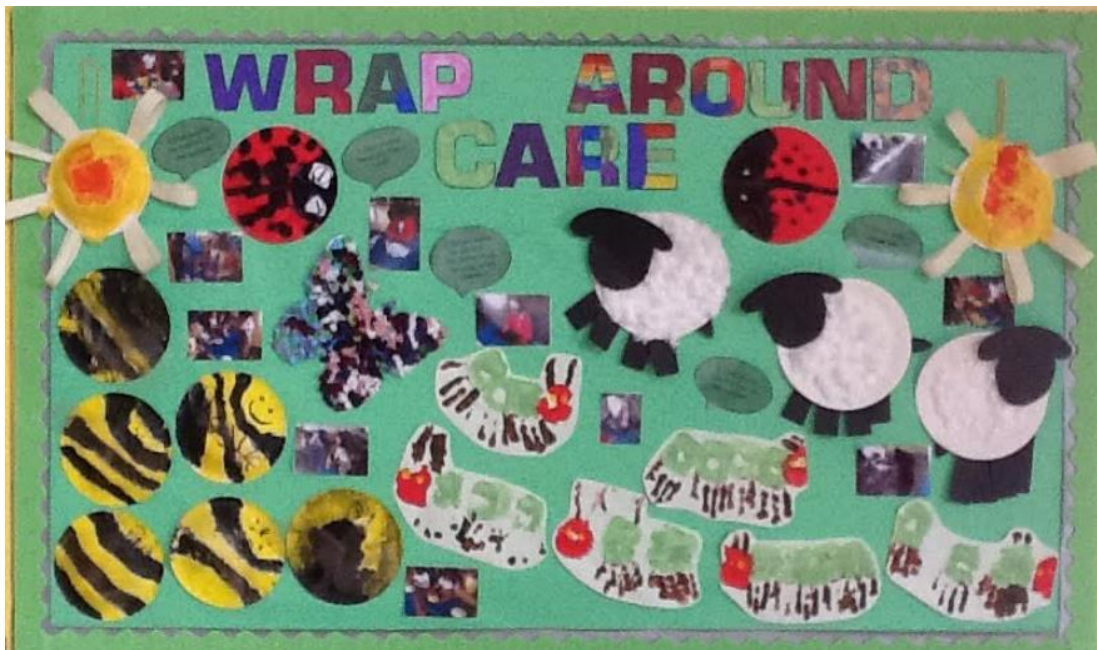
*A swarm of jellyfish - by year 6*

*Thanks to all of the year groups who took part. - Mrs Cooney*



## **Wraparound Care**

*Some lovely art work created by the children and staff at Wraparound Care*





## Lunch Menu – week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	BBQ Chicken Burger	Roast Gammon	Beef Bolgonese	Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian	Veggie Burrito	Macaroni Cheese	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Roast	Butternut Squash & Tomato Bake	Quorn Nuggets & Chips
Dessert	Crispy Crackle Bar	Brownie	Shortbread & Fruit Slices	Banana Cake	Chocolate & Raspberry Swirl Cake
Daily favourites include jacket potatoes with a choice of filling or tomato pasta					

### Notice to Parents/Carers about Applying for Secondary School Transport Starting from Academic Year 2022/23

**Upcoming Deadline: 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022.**

Dear Parent/Carer

If you think your child is eligible for free Home to School Transport, please complete the relevant application form 'Application for Free Home to School Transport' or 'Application for Free Home to School Transport - Low income' in order to have transport in place for your child for the start of the new academic year 2022/23. Please complete your form by the deadline of **26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**. Should your application be received after this date, transport may not be in place for the start of the new year.

The forms are available online here: <https://www.iow.gov.uk/Council/OtherServices/School-Admissions/Tasks>. If you would like to check your eligibility or would prefer a paper application form to be posted to you, please telephone School Admissions on 01983 823455 or email [school.admissions@iow.gov.uk](mailto:school.admissions@iow.gov.uk). Please be aware that paper applications must also be received by School Admissions by the deadline of **26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**.

The Home to School Transport Policy is available to read at <https://www.iow.gov.uk/schooladmissions>.

**Book a  
Trial Session  
Today**

# Looking for fun for little ones?

## Relaxed music and sensory sessions



Contact Georgia on:  
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[iow@caterpillarmusic.com](mailto:iow@caterpillarmusic.com)  
f [@caterpillarmusiciow](https://www.facebook.com/caterpillarmusiciow)

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Music**



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# TWITCH

Twitch is a livestreaming service which tends to focus on gaming. Users can publicly broadcast their gameplay and commentary online for other users to watch. It's a community-driven platform where viewers can support their favourite streamers' channels through PayPal donations, 'Bits' and more. Each streamer or group creates their own community for fans to interact with each other. Twitch has more than 15 million daily active users and includes non-gaming topics such as music, cooking and art. Anyone can create a channel to livestream or watch videos.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

### UNCENSORED STREAMS

Uncensored content obviously carries a greater risk of inappropriate language and behaviour (streamers can, however, list their broadcast as unsuitable for children). Twitch has strict rules for streamers to follow, but requires viewers to report any streams which breach these guidelines. Each livestream is accompanied by a text chat which it is the streamer's responsibility to moderate.

### INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Most people are already aware that some video games feature adult content such as violence, sexual content, profanity and so on. Twitch does prevent certain games from being streamed on the platform, but most are still allowed. It is relatively simple, then, for a child to find livestreams of games that aren't suitable for them – including horror games.

### HIDDEN COSTS

Twitch is free to use because it's supported by advertisers. Removing the ads requires a subscription to Twitch Turbo – or the Twitch Prime package (free for anyone with an Amazon Prime account), which blocks the ads and offers additional goodies such as bonus games. Streamers earn most of their income by asking users for direct donations or gifts of the virtual currency Twitch Bits.

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

As well as streamers talking directly to their audience, Twitch enables viewers to use text chat to speak to the person they're watching. It's a social platform which also allows viewers to interact with each other via text while they are watching livestreams – including exchanging private messages. This raises the possibility of a child being approached and messaged online by total strangers.

### WEBCAM SHARING

It's common for streamers to use their live webcam footage. This allows better interaction with their viewers, but also adds risk: the stream might include sponsored content or product placement that isn't child friendly. Using a webcam in livestreams increases the chance of malicious viewers finding out where the streamer lives and provides bullies with visual reactions to their hurtful behaviour.

### PRIVATE CHAT ROOMS

Twitch encourages streamers to create their own communities, which extend beyond its platform. Many create a public Discord group, for example, for viewers to join and communicate with each other. Discord is a completely separate entity to Twitch and offers a higher risk of predators, grooming and cyberbullying if your child gets involved in the voice or video chat with strangers.

## Advice for Parents & Carers

### EXPLORE IT YOURSELF

Twitch doesn't have any parental controls, but it is possible to track down some Twitch channels by yourself or with your child to find some that are suitable. Watching some streams by yourself is also a good route to understanding the sort of content that your child would be consuming regularly on Twitch.

### LEARN HOW TO BLOCK

'Security and Privacy' in Twitch's settings lets your child block messages from specific users. Teaching your child how this works will help them avoid online abuse. If they livestream, knowing how to block people in the chat also helps to prevent cyberbullying or harassment. Evading online interaction is impossible, of course, so talk to them in advance about boundaries and safe online communication.

### WATCH WHAT THEY WATCH

Twitch does have a lot of child-friendly content; some streamers use a 'family friendly' tag to highlight material that's suitable for children. However, anyone can use this tag – including users who (occasionally or otherwise) stream games with less appropriate adult themes. The best way to counter this is to view different streams and follow suitable channels for your child to watch.

### LIMIT PAYMENT OPTIONS

Reduce the chance of accidental purchases by ensuring your bank card isn't saved on Twitch or the Amazon account that Twitch Prime could be linked to. Restricting access to your PayPal account is also wise if your child watches Twitch on the device you use to make purchases. Explain to your child that they don't need to subscribe to channels to watch them and that donating or gifting 'Bits' is optional.

### Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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