Church of England
Controlled Primary School

## Dear Parents and Carers

I must admit in 19 years of headship, this feels like the hardest newsletter I have had to write. We started the week full of excitement as we had received a letter and a card from Buckingham Palace thanking us for sending Her Majesty The Queen cards for her Platinum Jubilee, none of us would have guessed that we would end the week with the passing of our longest standing monarch.

Her dedication to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and to her other realms and territories, and to the world, is unparalleled and we thank her for her dutiful services to us as our Queen.

Today we have shared a special collective worship with all the children about her life and we will be making a memorial card which we will send to the royal family. If you think your child may be experiencing particular upset due to the passing of our beloved Queen, please do let us know so we can provide additional support if needed.

Our school will observe the mourning period but continue to support in every way. Unless otherwise stated, please assume any scheduled events and activities we have planned will continue to take place. We will let you know if there will be any changes in regards to Her Majesty's state funeral.

Mrs Gilbert and the Brading team


BALMORAL CASTLE

The Queen wishes me to write and thank you for the letters and cards which you sent to Her Majesty on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee.

The Queen was glad to hear from you and, although unable to reply to you personally, Her Majesty greatly appreciated the nice things you said.

Please accept my apologies for the delay in response; as I am sure you will understand, The Queen has received a large volume of post in recent months and, as a result, it has not been possible to reply to you until now.

I am to thank you again for your messages of good wishes to Her Majesty in this, her Platinum Jubilee year.


Lady-in-Waiting


## Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to the new academic year, we have had a great first full week back in school and the children have settled into their new classes extremely well. It's been great to see the children returning as well as our new families that have joined us. It's also been great to have Mr Napier and Mr Baker join our teaching team.

We are so excited this year to be able to hold welcome sessions for parents/carers where you can meet your child's class teacher and they will go through everything you need to know for this coming year. The dates for these are:

- Year $1 / 2$ - Monday $12^{\text {th }}$ September at 2:10pm
- Year 3 / 4 - Tuesday $13^{\text {th }}$ September at 2:10pm
- Year 5 / 6 - Wednesday $14^{\text {th }}$ September at 2:10pm


## Reminders

Please find below a copy of the email that was sent to you last Friday:

- Wraparound care - Remember we have breakfast club and after school wraparound care available daily. Ideally spaces should be booked in advance but we do understand that sometimes things come up at short notice and our wraparound services are required. If this is the case please contact the office and they can assist. All sessions of breakfast club and wraparound care are bookable through the SchoolMoney app.
- SchoolMoney - SchoolMoney is an app where you can preorder your child's lunches and can book for our Breakfast Club and Wraparound Care. All must be paid for in advance please. Each child has an account set up for them. If you have any issues with your account please notify the office staff and they can sort this for you.
- Snacks - As well as having fruit on offer daily to children, Chartwells can also provide toast and/or a drink of juice or milk at a small cost (Toast 25p, Drink 30p). Unfortunately this cannot be booked through SchoolMoney so please can you put any snack orders in a named envelope and hand to the office. This can only be ordered on a Monday for the week.
- School Bag - Bags are not required in school.
- Lunchboxes - As per last year, we still require plastic lunch boxes only in school. We have included an example of the kind of lunchbox we would like to children to bring in please:



## Reading books

One focus this year is on reading throughout the school. Reading books will be coming home with your child on Monday afternoon in a plastic folder. KS2 children will be expected to bring them in every day. EYFS and KS1 will take them home on a Friday and bring them back on a Wednesday. Reading records are now going to be online via Purple Mash. There will be reading record per week that you can add to please do not press 'hand in' until Wednesday as this will mean you cannot access the reading record for the rest of the week. Our aim is that all children will be heard weekly in school and we would really appreciate helpers with this, if you have the spare time please pop in and see the office. If you have any questions or need help please speak to your child's class teacher.

Mrs Gilbert.

## DATES FOR YOUR

## DIARY

## Mon $12{ }^{\text {th }}$ September

First swimming lesson for Year 4 @
Waterside Pool, Ryde
Year 1/2 Welcome session - 2:10pm

Tues $13^{\text {th }}$ September
Year 3/4 Welcome session - 2:10pm

## Weds $14^{\text {th }}$ September

Year 5/6 Welcome session - 2:10pm

## Mon 26 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ September

School photos

## Weds 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ October

Break up for October half term

Thurs $\mathbf{2 0}^{\text {th }}-$ Fri $\mathbf{2 1}^{\text {st }}$ October
Development days

Mon 24 ${ }^{\text {th }}-$ Fri $\mathbf{2 8}^{\text {th }}$ October
October half term

Mon 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}-$ Fri $30^{\text {th }}$ December
Christmas Holidays

Mon $2^{\text {nd }}$ January 2023
Bank Holiday Monday

Mon $13^{\text {th }}-$ Fri $17^{\text {th }}$ February 2023
February half term

Mon $3^{\text {rd }}$ - Fri 14 $^{\text {th }}$ April 2023
Easter Holidays

Mon $1^{\text {st }}$ May 2023
Bank Holiday Monday

Mon 29 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ May - Fri $2^{\text {nd }}$ June 2023
May half term

Thurs 20 ${ }^{\text {th }}-$ Fri $21^{\text {st }}$ July 2023
Development days

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Lunch Menu - week commencing $12^{\text {th }}$ September 2022
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

| Main | Cheese \& Tomato <br> Pizza | BBQ Chicken <br> Burger | Roast Gammon | Beef Bolgonese |  <br> Chips |  |  |
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| Vegetarian | Veggie Burrito | Macaroni <br> Cheese |  <br> Chickpea Roast | Butternut Squash <br> \& Tomato Bake | Quorn Nuggets <br> \& Chips |  |  |
| Dessert | Crispy Crackle Bar | Brownie |  <br> Fruit Slices | Banana Cake |  <br> Raspberry Swirl <br> Cake |  |  |
| Daily favourites include jacket potatoes with a choice of filling or tomato pasta |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Brading in Bloom 3rd place

Brading Primary School came 3rd for schools and youth groups category in the recent Brading in Bloom competition. It was judged just after we broke up in July.

As you can see, our focus was on Minions and had our splendid banana tree as the centrepiece. Mr Piggott
(one of our school governors) has been keeping our banana tree fed and watered through the summer heatwaves. He's also kept our school allotment garden alive which the children of After School Gardening Club will be pleased about. Thanks again to Mr Piggott!

We're hoping that the banana tree survives the winter and will be back for next summer.
Mrs Cooney and the school gardening team.


## THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

## Hawaii

This week, Hawaii class have been settling back into school. They have been amazing and worked really hard in all of their lessons. We have also been using the boards outside and working as a team to make them into a long train! We have had an amazing week


## New Zealand

The children have settled (really well) into year two and I am so proud of their attitude to learning. We have been very busy having fun in our approach to the new school year.
Our special hook was a mystery box which gave us clues to our topic 'Castles and Knights.' We had lots of fun guessing and cannot wait to get started on our topic work next week!
In English, our text driver is 'The Princess and the Dragon' and we have been building up to expanded noun phrases. In maths, we are learning about place value and the children have been hands on with their learning.


## Jamaica

On the first day we had topic, which was The Royal Family Tree Picture Challenge. We started our new book called Wonder, the main character was someone called Auggie. We started our new Science topic called Living Things and Their Habitats. In maths we played a game with a dice valued from 10 million to 1 - whatever digit the dice landed on, you could put anywhere on the grid and you had to make the largest number. We played against Mrs Eastman and it ended in a draw!

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## Maldives

This week in The Maldives we have been acclimatising to life as a year 1 pupil. In our maths we have been finding different ways of sorting objects to help with counting and in English we have been constructing sentences about our summer holidays in preparation for writing a postcard. Everyone has been working really hard and being great friends to our 4 new starters.

## Iceland

This week, Iceland class have been doing drama in English, using our text driver Escape from Pompeii. In maths, we have been looking at decimal fractions starting with 10ths. Our topic is on the Romans and in science we have started learning about living things and their habitats.

## THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

## Galapagos

This week in Galapagos we've been having lots of fun learning about the Vikings! Our Text Driver for this half term is How To Train Your Dragon and we have been using the new vocabulary we have learned to describe all of the funny characters we have met so far! We have also been working really hard in Maths and had lots of fun learning about grouping animals in Science. A brilliant week!

## Malta

This week in Malta class we have had an amazing start to the new term and have begun looking at our new topic 'adventuring from the Stone age to the Iron age'. Our text driver for this half- term is Stone age Boy and we have created a walk-through timeline to recognise the key events related to each time period.

## Antigua

This week in Antigua (preschool) the children have been settling back in and it has been lovely to see lots of new faces joining us too. The children have been exploring all the new learning areas inside and outside and making new friends.
The pre-school children have had lots of fun during our continuous provision time when they have had the opportunity to play with their reception friends in St Lucia too. During group time we have been listening to environmental sounds and exploring different types of sound bags together making lots of noise!


MATHS AREA


CREATIVE AREA

## NOTICE BOARD

School meals are $£ 2.40$ per day ( $£ 12$ a week). Don't forget if you think your child could be eligible for Free School Meals, especially those who have moved from year 2 to year 3 and are therefore no longer be eligible for Universal Free School Meals, please see a member of office staff for a form.

## Wraparound care prices:

Breakfast club- $£ 3$
Wraparound until 4pm - $£ 5$
Wraparound until 5pm-£6
Wraparound until 6pm-£7
All to be booked via SchoolMoney.

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                PE Days:
            St Lucia - Tuesdays & Wednesdays
            Cuba - Tuesdays & Wednesdays
            Maldives - Tuesdays & Thursdays
            New Zealand - Mondays & Tuesdays
                Malta - Thursdays & Fridays
                Galapagos - Mondays (swimming) & Thursdays
                    Iceland - Thursdays & Fridays
                Jamaica - Mondays & Fridays
Children should wear PE kit to school on their allocated PE days
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These donations really help us out, so please sign up if you haven't yet. It's easy and FREE! You can get started at https://www.easyfundraising. org.uk/causes/friendsofbradi ng/?utm_campaign=raisemore\&utm_medium=email\&u tm_content=rm-en-n2

## Brading Primary School Lottery

Our lottery is open to all, parents, teachers, carers, grandparents and friends. So please spread the word so we can have as many people join as possible. A ticket costs $£ 1$ per week and $40 \%$ of all ticket sales goes straight to our Friends of Brading account. Each ticket will also enter you in TWO draws: 1.A jackpot prize draw for $£ 25,000.00$. 2. A local draw with a guaranteed prize for one of the supporters of our school. The size of the prize will depend on the number of tickets bought for the school that week. The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be, so please support the lottery today - and who knows maybe you'll be the next $£ 25,000$ winner! It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children and improve the school environment. We are currently raising money towards our memory garden for Miss Bailey, and maintaining the mini
bus to support school trips and external sporting activities. To sign up visit www.yourschoollottery.co.uk. Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

Do Join us at the next


Brading Methodist Church

Everyone welcome!
3 story
All children to be accompanied
by an adult
Free! - donation if wished



Tuesdays at Brading Methodist Church
Fri 16 Sept
2.30-4.30pm

Then $3^{\text {rd }}$ Friday
each month at

## Tine 40 Parents \& carers welcome from 8.30am

After dropping children at school,
why not pop in for a cuppa and toast?

## Time 2 Play

## Toddlers 8 tots welcome

Toysf activities Until 10.30am
£1 per family
Details from
Jane 407201



