

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had an incredible first full week back at school. The children have been amazing and settled in so well. It has been great to meet all our new children and they are an amazing addition to our team. We have also welcomed Mrs Lendon who is working in Early Years, and Mrs Barnard who is working in the office alongside her Clerk to Governors role.

Parent welcome sessions

Next week we are going to hold parent/carer welcome sessions, times and dates are below:

- Tuesday 12th September at 2:30 – KS2 led by Mr Barnes
- Wednesday 13th September at 2:30 – KS1 led by Mrs Attwell

Both will be taking place in the school hall, and you will be able to meet with your child's class teachers. If you are unable to come along we will be sending home a little leaflet as well.

Friday afternoons

This week we have had our first Fun Friday, where different activities were held across the school. It went really well and the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves. If you are available to come in and help we would love to see you, please see either Miss Hughes or Mrs Barnard in the office.

Sharing worship

Next Friday we will start our Sharing Worship's for KS1 upwards and parents/carers are invited to join us from 2:15pm. We will be handing out our celebration certificates, and if your child has had any outside achievements they are welcome to bring these in to share with the rest of the school. Next Friday we will be announcing our year 6 roles – please do come along if you can.

SchoolMoney

Thank you to those who have been bearing with us while we have experienced problems with SchoolMoney. Hopefully this has now been sorted but if you do have any further issues please see the office on Monday morning.

Just a huge reminder that all dinners and wraparound care payments must be paid in advance. Thank you.

Trips/visits

There are some really exciting trips and visits coming up this year. Please remember that without your signed consent on the annual EV3 forms, your child will not be able to attend. If you have misplaced your copy please see the office and they can provide you with a new one.

Attendance

Just a reminder that if your child arrives after 8:50am they will be marked as absent for the morning. Also, if your child is absent please call us on 407217 or email admin@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk, please do not message office staff directly as it may be missed. All attendance is carefully monitored by the Education and Inclusion Service. There is a huge national drive to improve attendance and we will share more with you in future newsletters.

Brading 'Proud of My Plot' Scheme

Please see on the notice board section about the upcoming Proud of My Plot scheme. Forms from Brading Shop need to be submitted on Monday evening at the latest and produce displayed on Wednesday ready for the show. Good luck - I hope someone from our school wins the Brand New shield!

Concerns

If anyone does have any concerns about anything before school starts please see Mrs Willshire or myself and not the class teachers as they are busy ensuring learning starts on time. Teachers are available after school to spend time talking with you.

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

Mrs Gilbert.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 11th September

Year 4 first swimming lesson at The Heights Leisure Centre

Friday 15th September

Year 6 first session of golf at Westridge Golf Centre

Monday 25th September

School photos

Thursday 28th September

Flu vaccinations Reception – Year 6

Monday 23rd October – Friday 3rd November

October half term

Wednesday 20th December – Monday 1st January 2024

Christmas holidays

Monday 12th – Friday 16th February 2024

February half term

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April 2024

Easter holidays

Monday 6th May 2024

Bank holiday Monday

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May 2024

May half term

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th July 2024

Development days

Monday 29th July – Friday 30th August 2024

Summer holidays

Bible Reflection

Nehemiah 8:40

The joy of the Lord is your
strength

Lunch Menu – week commencing Monday 11th September 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Sausage & Mash	Roast Turkey	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers & Chips
Alternative option	Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato	Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato	Quorn Nuggets Tomato Pasta Jacket Potato
Dessert	Shortbread	Strawberry Jelly with Fruit	Chocolate Sponge	Lemon Slice	Crispy Crackle Bar

BRADING IN BLOOM 2023

Once again, we've been invited to enter Brading in Bloom. Our gardeners have been busy tidying and planting the area ready for inspection by the judges. The banana tree is back so we've decided to keep the Minions on display. Huge thanks to Ezekiel's mum who donated some plants from her own garden and bought us some bedding plants from the garden centre. We're very grateful and hope to win a certificate prize.

Mrs Cooney and the garden club.



THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

Antigua

This week in Antigua we have welcomed lots of new friends who have settled beautifully. We are so proud of how all the children have come back after the summer break. We have enjoyed lots of activities outside this week in the fabulous weather. Potion making was a real hit! We had fun feeding our teddies and mastered ramp building for the balls and cars.



Cuba

This term in Cuba Class we are focusing on fairy tales. This week we have been looking at Goldilocks and the three bears. We have had lots of fun exploring porridge oats and mixing them together with different materials to make all different kinds of porridge.



Hawaii

This week in Hawaii Class the children have been settling in and making new friends. We have been learning all about each other's favourite things and challenging each other to play different games. The children really enjoyed making their own playdough and using it to make pretend pizza.



St Lucia

Welcome to St Lucia! I have been super impressed by my class this week, they have been superstars at settling into school and getting to know everyone. This half term our topic is all about me and Autumn, we will be learning all about our bodies, our families and also Harvest, and the season of Autumn. I am looking forward to seeing what the children wow me with this term.



Jamaica

This week we have done tag rugby. We have researched European flags, capital cities and countries. In English we read a book called Ice Trap. In maths we have done place value and the power of 10.

Iceland

This week in year 5 we have worked hard on our place value numbers up to 1,000,000. In English we have been reading Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo and we've enjoyed tag rugby during PE. We have designed mosaics in the afternoons.

THIS WEEK AT BRADING...

New Zealand

This week, in our Year 2 class, we've embarked on an exciting journey through the pages of "Into the Forest" by Anthony Browne. Our pupils have been captivated by the enchanting world of this book, exploring the vivid illustrations, and delving into the story's mysteries.

In maths, we've been immersing ourselves in the world of numbers, focusing on place value with a particular emphasis on 10s and 1s. The children have been busy counting, grouping, and understanding the significance of each digit in numbers, laying a strong foundation for their mathematical skills.

In History, we've been transported back in time to explore the fascinating parts of a castle. The pupils have learned about the drawbridge, battlements, and moats. They're becoming little historians, uncovering the secrets of these ancient fortifications.

In Science, we've turned our attention to the materials around us. Our curious pupils have been investigating different materials in our classroom, learning about their properties and uses. This hands-on exploration has ignited their scientific curiosity and understanding.

Maldives

Y1 has settled really well into their new class - well done everybody!

We have established class and school rules and are working hard to feed our dojo monsters! We will exchange these at the key point shop at the end of the half term.

In maths, we have been sorting and counting objects.

In English, we have been concentrating on capital letters and full stops. In phonics we have been blending and segmenting which will help us to read, write and spell. We have been reading to an adult every day. We have created some lovely artwork for the Horticultural Show.



Malta

This week in Malta class we have had a fantastic week. To kick start a new term, we have introduced our new topic looking at the Stone Age to Iron Age. The children have spent time designing some Stone Age art and have displayed this as part of our "Stone Age campfire". We have also started to look at plants in science and have labelled the 4 key areas of a plant. We haven also spent time looking at Stone Age tools and have built spears which replicate those used in the Stone Age.



Galapagos

Year 4 have had a lot of fun in our first week back. We've started learning all about the Greeks and their myths and living things and their habitats. We've been working hard getting ready for the horticultural show, painting autumnal images and writing our autumn poems. It's been a very busy but very fun week!



TAPNELL FARM PARK

Blast off for SPACE WEEKEND

16th & 17th September

ALL WEATHER

ROCKET MAKING WORKSHOPS

ROCKET SHOW

Booking essential tapnellfarm.com/events

£12 per person (child or adult)

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL OFFER!

BOOK ONLINE & PAY AT ADMISSIONS ON THE DAY
BRING THIS VOUCHER ALONG TO PRESENT ON ENTRY
VALID FOR 16/17 SEPTEMBER ONLY

Under 2's free

ISLE OF WIGHT MUSIC HUB PRESENTS

Saturday Morning Music Centre

Ensemble opportunities for players of woodwind, brass, percussion and bowed string players

Saturday mornings during term time
10.00am - 12.00pm
At Osborne House
York Avenue, East Cowes, PO32 6JT
Annual membership £120

The Hub also supports additional music making opportunities and ensembles during the week.
For further information please contact us using the details below
music@iowmusichub.org
023 8083 3648

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New for September 2023

Calling all young vegetable growers in Brading.

The Brading 'Proud of MyPlot' Shield

Display your home grown produce this September at the Brading Horticultural show.

Just pick three vegetables you have grown yourself and display them on the plate provided. They can be all the same veg or different vegetables.

!!! Next Week !!!
Don't forget to enter Forms in on Monday Display on Wednesday 30p to enter

Open to all young people under the age of 16 growing at home, on an allotment or with a club.

Entry forms from the Brading Shop

Sandown Methodist Church

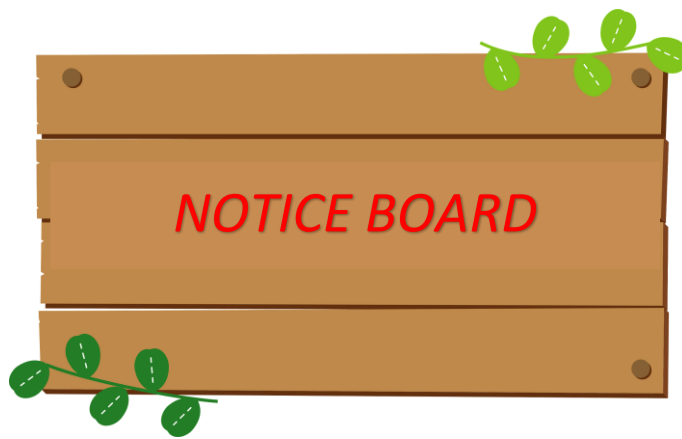
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FREE! Children's Clothes Exchange

Mondays 10am-12noon
11 Sept
2 Oct
30 Oct family fun
4 Dec

Bring clothes to exchange if possible but not essential Refreshments & toys for tots

ALL WELCOME



Now that your child is at school, is it time for you to focus on doing something rewarding for yourself?

At Home-Start we are busier than ever and we have a waiting list of families who need support. Could this be the opportunity you are looking for?

Family life can be a challenge. Could you volunteer with Home-Start and make a huge difference to the life of a family with young children in your area?

How much time do I need to give? Most volunteers give a couple of hours each week (some volunteers only give time during term time).

What does it involve? The role is varied as every family is different. A Home-Start volunteer is a helping hand and a listening ear. Volunteering roles include spending time with families in one of our stay and play groups or visiting a family in their own home. The things you might do include:

- Talking and listening
- Having fun with children
- Supporting families to get out and about
- Practical help
- Supporting a new or expectant parent feel more ready to start their parenting journey

Do I need any special skills or experience? Your parenting experience is invaluable to us. Alongside that we look for volunteers who are non-judgemental (because you understand that being a parent can be a tough job), kind and compassionate, great organisational skills, practical and enthusiastic. For everything else, full training is provided. Training is a combination of online and four short face to face sessions. Our training is fun, informative and informal. The training is great for those who would like to gain new skills, are looking for a change of career direction or looking to gain fantastic work experience. Volunteering looks great on your CV! Once trained all volunteers receive regular support from a named co-ordinator.

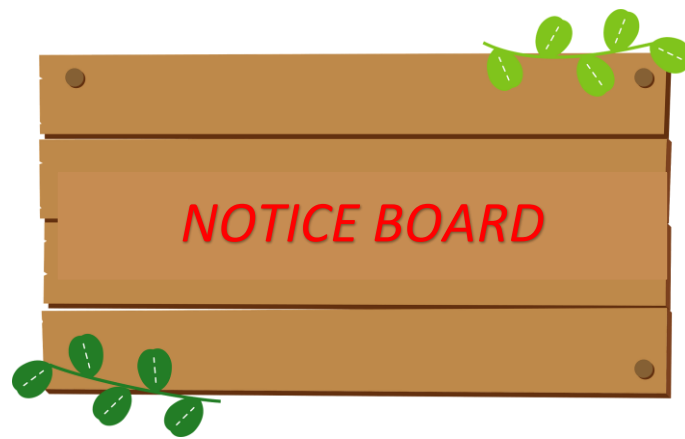
All home visiting volunteers are subject to an enhanced DBS check and references are required.

If you think this could be the opportunity you are looking for please get in touch for an application form.

Email admin@homestartio.org call 01983 533357, or visit our website www.homestartisleofwight.org.uk

If you are interested but would like to know a bit more please do drop us a line and one of the team will be very happy to get in touch.

We look forward to hearing from you



Adult Community Learning - NEW Autumn Programme

Adult Community Learning are pleased to launch their new Autumn programme. We have a wide range of workshops and courses on offer, if you are interested in any of the following: Functional Skills English and/or maths, Multiply maths, ICT, Art, Craft, Health and Wellbeing or FREE online short courses, please head over to our website www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses for more information and to book. If you would rather speak to a member of staff, call the office on 01983 817280 or pop into The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde and someone will be only too happy to help you.

If you are interested in developing your skills further, perhaps to retrain or return to work, why not book a careers appointment with our information, advice, and guidance professional? She will tailor the appointment to your needs and can offer you help with CV writing, covering letters, application forms or support you with career changes, redundancy, education and training.

We also have an ICT suite which is open every Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm (term time only) starting Friday 22 September, for anyone wishing to access online learning or get support from a tutor.

We look forward to seeing you.