

## Take Part in the Reading Challenge over the Half Term Holiday!

Dear Families,

### Autumn Reading Challenge

We have a two-week half term holiday this year. It is really important that the children continue to read every day. Mrs Webb has organised a reading challenge.

This academic year we have decided to change our annual sponsored reading challenge from Spring to Autumn. The reason for this is we want to avoid running it alongside the Easter Bunny Hop.

Prizes will be given for the most money raised as well as the most minutes read. The money will be used for new books in the library. If you have any requests for books you would like to see in the library, please let Mrs N Webb know.

Below are a number of spooky books to coincide with Halloween. Obviously, these are only suggestions. As always, any reading material is great!

Sponsorship forms have been sent home today. Happy reading everyone!



### Harvest Festival

Thank you so much for all the donations you sent in to go to the East Cowes Food Pantry. We had James Pontin in to talk to the children during Harvest Festival about precious things and to say thank you for the food. We also had Jane from the Food Pantry in to tell us about their work. She was very grateful for our huge donation to the pantry.



## Covid Guidance

As we enter cold and flu season we would like to remind parents of Government guidance which we take our advice from.

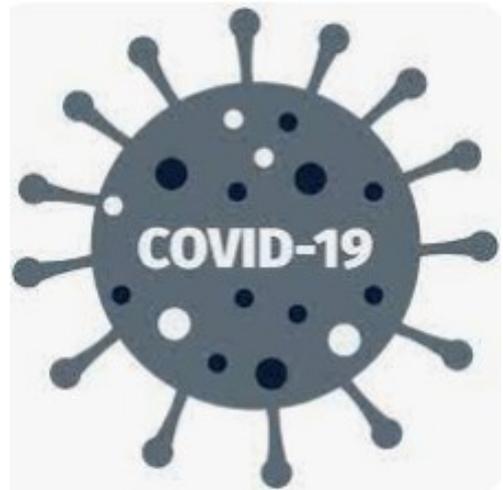
In the current guidance, Managing specific infectious diseases: A to Z the guidance states the following:

It is **not** recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.

Schools should ask parents **not to send** in any affected individual who **has a high temperature and are unwell** until they no longer have a high temperature and are well enough to attend the setting.

However, schools should ask parents **to send** in individuals with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well.

Queensgate also maintain good infection prevention and control in our setting, particularly promoting respiratory and hand hygiene messages and we ensure there is sufficient supply of soap in school washrooms. We have also maintained our hand gel dispensers that the children are very used to using when coming in from breaks.



## Attendance

**Whole School Attendance since September is 96.01%**

**Whole School Attendance this week is 95.12%**

**KS1 Class with best attendance this week is RSD with 96.89%**

**KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 4MC & 6LR with 98.15%**

10 days of absence during the school year causes your child's attendance to drop to 95%

20 days of absence during the school year causes your child's attendance to drop to 90%

40 days of absence during the school year causes your child's attendance to drop to 80%

If your child's attendance falls below 90% they are classed as persistently absent



# What's for dinner after half term?

(Remember all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Free School dinners.)



	Monday	tuesday	Wednesday	THURSDAY	Friday
AUTUMN/WINTER 2023 HOT SPECIALS	See Below	Turkey Con Chili Served with Wholegrain Rice	Roast Beef Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sausage Pasta Bake Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Breaded Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	See Below	Macaroni Cheese	Cheesy Leek and Carrot Crumble Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Vegetarian Sausage Pasta Bake Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	Crispy Vegan Nuggets Served with Chips
	See Below	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes with a choice of hot and cold fillings
	Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta				
	All Main Meals are served with two vegetables				
Dessert	Apple Crumble with Custard	Crunchy Chocolate Biscuit	Chocolate and Vanilla Marble Cake	Carrot Cake	Strawberry Ice Cream

**LET'S ROCKET**

**MAINS**  
Rocket Dog OR  
Veggie Rocket Dog

**SIDES**  
Chips  
Sweetcorn

**DESSERT**  
Orange & Ginger Firework Cake  
with Custard

All main meals are served with two vegetables

Special menu for **Monday 6th November** - Let's Rocket  
See poster for details.

## Out and About

The **2KG** Out and About team went to Brighstone on Tuesday morning to explore habitats and learn about what animals need to survive. The children were challenged to design and make their own creature using clay. They all enjoyed exploring the woodland and having a go on the tyre swing over the stream too!

"We went to the Dragon Tree. We made clay creatures. We had to think about what animals need; food, shelter, oxygen and water. We had to think about their habitat. A habitat is a home like a nest for a bird. I liked making my bird out of clay, leaves and sticks. And I used fluffy feathers." Rory O 2KG



Next half term the children in **Year 3** will be learning about the Stone Age. In preparation, the **3PT** team walked up to the Longstone at Mottistone. The children learnt about the Neolithic long barrow (burial mound) and how people would have lived within the Stone Age.

"The Longstone is a place where they used to bury bones, 6,000 years ago. They used to lay out the bodies for birds and animals to eat them. In the Stone Age they used to hunt animals for food and to make clothes and tents with their skins. It's called the Stone Age because people used to use stones as tools and weapons."

Chloe W-B 3PT

"In the Stone Age people used to worship the sun and the moon. The Longstone was a mound where bones were buried in the Neolithic time- that's New Stone Age." Layla E 3PT



This half term **Year 4** have been learning about digestion and teeth in Science and where food comes from in their Geography lessons. On Wednesday morning the **4MC** Out and About group visited Briddlesford Farm to learn about milk production and how the farm is run, as well as learning about cows teeth and how they digest their food.

"We went to a dairy farm and we learnt all about cows and how they get milked. The girl cows are used for milking and the boys cows, bulls, are used for meat. Cows only have bottom teeth and big teeth at the back for chewing. Cows have 4 stomachs! At the farm they make and sell milk, milkshakes, butter and cheese. In the shop they sell vegetables and other things grown on the Isle of Wight. There were two dogs that live at the farm, Sky and Spot. Sky is Spot's Mummy. The dogs liked following us around the farm. At the end of our trip we got to taste the milk, it was really tasty...I drank three cups! My favourite bit was the calves licking me and drinking the milk." Jacob L 4MC



Working together for a successful future

We had a slight change of plan on Wednesday afternoon due to strong winds being forecast. The **1CE** Out and About children visited Quarr (instead of Borthwood) to learn about Autumn and recapped their Science learning about senses. The children were unfazed by the torrential rain and enjoyed feeding the piglets and exploring Autumn in their woodland area.

"We went to Quarr Abbey. We learnt about our 5 senses; smell, taste, touch, hear and see. It was very, very rainy! The leaves are different colours because it's Autumn. We looked for conkers and fed the piglets. We fed them acorns that we found on the ground and bought some pig food to feed them. The best bit was feeding the pigs and I found a conker and a pine cone!" Evelyn 1CE



### Out and About after half-term...

Please ensure your child wears suitable warm play clothes (that can get muddy) and they bring a waterproof coat and wellies.

Tuesday am - 2KA

*Dragon Tree, Brighstone*

Kendall, Pippa, Deva-Mae, Ava, Hannah, Clara, Freddie, Harry D, Charlie, Henry, Lorenzo, Edward, AJ and Logan.

Tuesday pm - 3AH

*Longstone, Mottistone*

Ethan, Harlan, Miller, Freddie, Riley, Arlo, Johnny, George, Ellie, Lilly, Evie and Annie.

Wednesday am - 4BM

*Briddlesford Farm*

Christopher, Tyler, Caiden, Dylan, Malaika, Logan, Tilly, Katelyn, Ella R, Freddie, Ella S, Alfie, Rory and Tallulah.

\*Please note- the children must wear wellies on the farm tour. If your child doesn't currently have any, please let the office know as we might be able to lend them a pair.

Wednesday pm - 1SM

*Borthwood Copse*

George, Jacob, Louis, Jack, Max, Jaxson, Archie, Arthur, Sadie, Freya, Vienna, Holly, Olivia, Elsie-Mai and Poppy.

### Clubs

Club will start back again **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**.

Clubs that have finished and will change to a new list after half term: Cookery KS1 & KS2, Gardening KS1 & KS2, Knitting, Skateboarding, Netball. Badminton has finished completely.

Clubs staying the same:

Y5 & Y6 Homework Club, Boys Football, Pond Club, Reading Club. Samba staying the same but has moved to Wednesdays. Girls Football staying the same but moved to Wednesdays

Choir is new – Tues Y3-Y6 Clubbly will go live Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm.

## Social Media Issues



**Most major social media platforms – FaceBook, TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, Pinterest, WhatsApp to mention just a few, require users to be at least 13 years of age (and in some cases 16 - WhatsApp).**

Pre-teens are not ready to handle the world of social networking and all its implications. Some social media platforms do not use any age verifications tools, leaving your child able to sign up for a new account without your knowledge. They will then have access to explicit and inappropriate content without restriction. TikTok has a feature called 'Family Pairing' allowing parents to link their child's account to their own, set time limits and control direct messages. Parents receive notification if any setting are changed or turned off.

Some social media platforms also share data with third-party service providers – even when the apps are not being used. That means if your child copies and pastes sensitive information or private conversations it is available to those third-party providers.

It is becoming ever more apparent that a number of Queensgate pupils are using various social media platforms to contact other pupils in an unfriendly and bullying manner. In turn parents are contacting school to involve us, make us aware of what is going on and asking us to resolve these out of school disagreements. Whilst we take all instances of bullying within school seriously and look for resolutions, the amount of time that is being taken up trying to resolve out-of-school issues is impacting greatly on the amount of time dedicated to education within school.

**The decision to allow your child to use social media platforms means you, as the parent/responsible person, should monitor your child's online activity to ensure they are using platforms responsibly.**

Useful Links to guides around parental settings:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/parent-controls-docs/parental-control-whatsapp.pdf>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/parent-controls-docs/parental-control-tiktok-privacy-and-safety-settings.pdf>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/wp-content/uploads/parent-controls-docs/parental-control-instagram.pdf>

# Understanding your child's behaviour

6 weekly sessions for 2 hours

Do you need support in understanding your child's behaviours? The MHST is offering parent-led sessions to provide you with skills focusing on reinforcement, boundaries, rewards and emotional recognition

In these sessions we'll be looking at:

- Causes of behaviour you view to be challenging
- Behavioural theories
- The importance of play
- How to praise and reward
- How and when to use selective ignoring
- How to give effective instructions
- How to set fair consequences

If you are interested in these sessions, please speak with the school's Designated Mental Health Lead



# Helping your child with fears and worries

6 weekly sessions for 2 hours

Does your child struggle with fears and worries? The MHST is offering parent-led sessions to provide you with skills to help support your child with their fears and worries.

In these sessions we'll be looking at:

- How anxiety develops and is maintained
- Causes of childhood anxiety difficulties
- What keeps your child's anxiety going
- How to encourage independence
- Step-by-step approach to overcoming fears and worries
- Problem solving technique

If you are interested in these sessions, please speak with the school's Designated Mental Health Lead



## Mental Health and Wellbeing at Queensgate

Queensgate Primary has signed up to the mental health charter and work closely with the Mental Health Service Team.

Please see above posters for two courses that can be run at our school. They are very well delivered and give useful information on how to help your child around behaviours and any fears and worries they have. Please see Mr Chubb or Mrs Jeffers or send an email to [enquiries@queensgateprimary.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@queensgateprimary.co.uk) to register your interest - we would plan to run these early in the Spring term.

To the right is a useful document around balancing the needs of different family members, especially if one has autism.

Have a read.

## Thrive 365

### Dragonfly: Impact Education



**Did you know?**

Balancing the different needs of family members is always a challenge, but if a child in the family has autism, this can be even more demanding. It can be difficult for parents under this kind of pressure to model emotional regulation which in turn impacts on the children and can quickly become a negative cycle. Identifying support networks such as family, friends, or support groups of other parents who have children with autism can be a huge help. Sometimes these can be run by schools, or by charities such as Contact (<https://contact.org.uk/help-for-families/listening-ear/>). This week, we offer tips for parents, younger siblings and teenage siblings of children with autism.

**2 Tips for younger children**

Offer information and reassurance, such as:

*‘Sometimes, people with autism might do things that seem strange. They might scream, or rock backwards and forwards, or flap their hands. Or perhaps they do something else that seems different.*

*This might be because they are:*

- Excited
- Nervous or scared
- There's a lot going on
- They are trying to relax'

Encourage them to ask you when their sibling does something they don't understand. Explore reasons why they might behave like that.

**1 Tips for parents**

Often, conflicts arise through misunderstanding. Position yourself as an observer in your family. Notice the different ways family members show affection or irritation through their body language, facial expressions or actions. Translate these non-verbal cues to your children. Perhaps they don't realise that their sibling is trying to show affection when they barge into his/her room. Maybe they don't notice that their sibling needs space when they start to close down and become very quiet. Also, offer your child some practical coping strategies for when their sibling has a meltdown. Where can they go? Can they watch TV in their room or put headphones in? Reassure them of the steps you take to deal with the situation, as they may not be obvious or visible.

**3 Tips for older children**

Empathise with them - it can feel hard not to have the same relationship with your sibling that your friends seem to have with their brothers or sisters. Remind them that every relationship is different though, just like every person is different.

Often, people with autism have a special interest - something they're really passionate about. Encourage your teen to try and share in that interest with them or to find another interest that they could share, for example if they both enjoy the same kind of music, or maybe they both love cars or football. Even if it's something they'd never do with their friends, stress that it's worth giving it a go and could broaden their own horizons as well as having something special to share that's just for the two of them.

[@dragonflyimpact](http://www.dragonflyimpact.co.uk) [www.dragonflyimpact.com/how-we-can-help](http://www.dragonflyimpact.com/how-we-can-help)  
 Email: [info@dragonflyimpact.co.uk](mailto:info@dragonflyimpact.co.uk)

**Islands in the Stream**  
 Senior Mental Health Leads in Schools  
 by Claire Pass & Rachael Bubbly



## Sport News

### **Year 6 Boys Football**

Last Friday, the Year 6 boys travelled to Cowes to compete in the Pokémon cup finals. The boys had previously defeated Carisbrooke and Nine Acres to earn a place in these finals. There were four teams from around the island participating, Queensgate, Greenmount, Gurnard and The Bay. The format for the afternoon was a round robin tournament with the top two teams competing for a place in the Hampshire finals. Each game was 15 minutes long and every game was very competitive. The results from the teams three games were; 2-1 loss against Gurnard, 1-0 loss against Greenmount and a 1-0 loss against The Bay. Despite losing all three games, the team played incredibly well. With the boys getting to these finals, it says they are in the top 4 U11 boys teams on the island. They competed with the very best and in each game there was just a goal in it. The boys should be extremely proud of themselves for getting into this position and playing so well.

## **Music News**

### **PIANO LESSONS**

If your child was already having piano lessons last term or you have expressed an interest this term, Mrs Webb will be emailing you shortly. We are changing our lesson provider and will no longer be using Totally Rad Music Company. Mrs Webb will let you know all the details about the new provider and any refunds parents are owed by TR. Thank you for your patience.

### **NEW SIGN-UPS FOR GUITAR and PIANO LESSONS**

We are not taking any new sign ups for this term now. If your child is interested in learning the guitar or piano in the Spring term, watch the newsletter for the next sign-up window.

### **CHOIR CLUB**

Choir Club will be starting again on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. It is open to all children from Year 3 to Year 6 and we will be concentrating on music for Christmas. We can take up to 28 children in the choir but please consider the following before signing up:

The choir already has two singing engagements booked:

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 4.30pm – the switching on of the Christmas lights outside Waitrose. (This is directly after our own school fayre.)

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 4.00pm – The East Cowes Town Carol Service at St. James Church. (Service lasts about an hour.)

**Children who sign up for choir are signing up to attend these two events.** It is not fair on the staff or other choir members if some of the choir do not attend the events which are showcase moments for our school.

Thank you

Mrs W Webb

## Sports for Champions

As you know last week we had Jordan Catchpole in school who is a Paralympic swimmer. As part of the follow up work the children have done some free writing. Here are a couple of examples to tell you a little bit more about the day.

Dear Diary,

Yesterday Jordan Catchpole came in, he is a Paralympic swimmer. In his assembly he told us about the race he had against Australia, Japan, Brazil, China and RPC not only did Great Brittan win, there was also a world record set by Jordan. His power point was very inspiring. Also, he wanted to be a footballer when he grew up but he was a very good swimmer, after his grandad had thrown him in the pool when he was a baby. Swimming was fun at first for him but after a while it became a chore to him like washing up.

After his awesome assembly, there was a fitness circuit and as a sport leader, I was able to help from 9:30 AM to 12:00pm. The first exercise was spotty dogs, then it was mountain climbers. The third activity was push ups and for the final activity they did star jumps. We had to help whole school, starting with reception the demonstration had to be simplified a lot, but it was still a struggle. By the time we got the year twos Jack in the other class was pushing a little too much he sounded like a military captain, so I told him to tone it down. He didn't listen so I did the same as him but less screaming. I tried to make them believe in themselves. They did. I was shouting over the music 'show us what you can do and don't give up' and count how many they could do.

Recently I got into finger knitting and I had a red and blue bracelet that I made in my pocket I gave them to Jordan as a gift, as they represent the colours of Great Brittan. He liked them very much. It was a good exercise and I think it impacted my learning because I learnt long division in the way we should be learning it instead of my own way and now it makes sense.

Thank you for coming in Jordan by Emily

Dear Diary,

Yesterday, an amazing Paralympic swimmer came in. His name was Jordan Catchpole.

His visit was inspiring, it was probably the best visit we have had in a while.

At 9:00, we went down to the assembly hall and sat down. The first people were wondering how he was a Paralympian, turns out he is autistic and has learning difficulties.

His assembly was incredible. He talked about his races (in swimming). He also talked about how he received an MBE from Princess Ann and how he got a letter from Queen Elizabeth. But he mainly talked out he set a world record and beat Australia, Japan, Brazil, China and RPC.

After the Assembly, we went back down at 10:30 and did some exercise circuits. The first exercise was spotty dogs (we all did one minute on each exercise). The second was mountain climbers, the third was push ups. And the last exercise was star jumps.

The whole time we were doing these exercises Jordan was playing music and motivating us.

This was an amazing experience, thank you for coming in Jordan. By Zoe G

My head was spinning from the moment I stepped out of the changing room. Australia, Brazil, Japan, China, RPC. This is real life not just a training session... it was the 2022 Tokyo Paralympics, the 4 x 100 relay. All of a sudden, the realisation hit me, Australia were there. They had won cricket and swimming, I HAD to beat them.

Before I got a chance to think, Reece Dunn was already on the diving block. The machine started to go, but they were just testing it. That's when it all started. The official blew their whistle - 3 short blows followed by one long one that meant everyone get on the blocks now it was the machines turn. 'Take your marks... BEEP!' I could not see the rest from the splashing of the water, but I do know he won.

Soon enough it was my turn. Australia already had a head start. This was it. I was going to let my teammates down. I felt a gush of disappointment swallow me up. No, it was fury. I had to win for Great Britain! I dived in, under water work was key. If I made sure my fly kick was strong enough I had a chance. I swam as if I was being chased by a great white. My tumble turn needed to be quick same with the push off of the wall. I was at the other end! A river of relief drowned me. We had won.

Bella T-R

## Family Support

As we are coming up to the half term I appreciate that some of you may already be worrying about the cost of extra food and expenses of having the children at home for the next two weeks.

You are not alone and there is lots of support and help available. See to the right for the **cost of living support** and please also consider visiting our local East Cowes Food Pantry. I am able to send 'Food Bank' vouchers via email.

Everyone struggles at certain points in their lives, even more so at the moment so please do not feel ashamed or embarrassed to reach out. Many of these services are available to all, regardless of employment status.

Many supermarkets are offering a free children's meal with every adult meal purchased but I would recommend ASDA's £1 Childrens lunches, no other purchase necessary and you are also able to takeaway.

If I can help you in any way please get in touch.

Mrs Jeffers J [ajeffers@queensgateprimary.co.uk](mailto:ajeffers@queensgateprimary.co.uk)

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# COST OF LIVING

01983 823134 | [iow.gov.uk/costofliving](http://iow.gov.uk/costofliving)

<b>General help and support</b> Citizens Advice IW can give free help with money issues and much more. ☎ 0800 144 88 48 or Textphone on 18001 0800 144 8884 🌐 <a href="http://www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk">www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk</a>	<b>Energy bills</b> The Footprint Trust give guidance on energy bills, efficiency and grants. ☎ 01983 822282 📧 <a href="mailto:info@footprint-trust.co.uk">info@footprint-trust.co.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.footprint-trust.co.uk">www.footprint-trust.co.uk</a>
<b>Debts and paying bills</b> Citizens Advice Money team. ☎ 01983 823898 ext: 2825 📧 <a href="mailto:debtenquiries@iwcab.org.uk">debtenquiries@iwcab.org.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk/money-advice-team">www.citizensadviceiw.org.uk/money-advice-team</a>	<b>Pension Credit</b> If you are of State Pension age you may be entitled to Pension Credit. If you get Pension Credit you can get other benefits. ☎ 0800 99 1234 or Textphone on 0800 169 0133 🌐 <a href="http://www.gov.uk/pension-credit">www.gov.uk/pension-credit</a>
<b>Buying food</b> 🌐 <a href="http://www.iow.gov.uk/costofliving">www.iow.gov.uk/costofliving</a> and tap on 'Food' for more information. Join a community pantry and for £5 a week, receive over £15 worth of food. ☎ 01983 296592 East Cowes Community Pantry ☎ 07961 959003 Ventnor Community Pantry ☎ 01983 563732 Ryde Community Pantry	<b>Paying for broadband and mobile phone</b> Social tariffs are available if you're on a low income. 🌐 <a href="http://www.ofcom.org.uk/cheap-broadband">www.ofcom.org.uk/cheap-broadband</a>
<b>Connect4communities</b> Support including food vouchers, getting weather appropriate clothing (directly with your school) and more. 📧 <a href="mailto:connect4communities@iow.gov.uk">connect4communities@iow.gov.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.connect4communities.org">www.connect4communities.org</a>	<b>Feeling lonely</b> The Living Well and Early Help Partnership works on the island to connect people. ☎ 01983 240732 📧 <a href="mailto:reception@hweh.org.uk">reception@hweh.org.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.hweh.org.uk">www.hweh.org.uk</a>
<b>Benefits</b> Check whether you are getting all the benefits you can. Citizens Advice Help to Claim line. ☎ 0800 144 8444 🌐 <a href="http://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators">www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators</a>	<b>In a crisis</b> If you have no money for food, gas and electricity you may be able to get emergency help. ☎ 01983 823859 🌐 <a href="http://www.iow.gov.uk/HelpThroughCrisis">www.iow.gov.uk/HelpThroughCrisis</a>
<b>Other useful contacts</b> 🌐 <a href="http://www.helpforhouseholds.gov.uk">www.helpforhouseholds.gov.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.islefindit.org.uk">www.islefindit.org.uk</a> 🌐 <a href="http://www.gov.uk/helpforhouseholds">www.gov.uk/helpforhouseholds</a>	



# Family Hub

## Newport open day

**Wednesday 25 October 10am to 3pm to launch the Newport Family Hub at Furrllongs, Newport PO30 2AX.**

This event is open to members of the public and is a great opportunity for those who would like to find out about the services Family Hubs offer.

**Programme of events**

<b>10am to 11am Arts and crafts</b>
• Rock painting, colouring competition, Lego and toys
<b>10.30am to 12pm Face painting</b>
<b>11.15am to 12pm Randini magic show</b>
<b>12.15pm Ribbon cutting</b>
<b>1pm to 2pm Arts and crafts</b>
• Rock painting, colouring competition, Lego and toys
<b>1pm to 2.30pm Face painting</b>
<b>2.15pm to 3pm Randini magic show</b>



**SCAN ME**

<https://familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk/ib5/iow/directory/site.page?id=pe1etbdc0zE>

**For further information and to secure your place please scan the QR code opposite**





Children and Young People Services

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT DAY



Please feel free to Drop In between  
**9.30am-3.30pm**  
**Saturday 4th November**  
 Holyrood Hall, 70 High Street,  
 Newport, PO30 1BA

**Come along to meet and learn more about:**

- Bamardo's
- IOW Family Centres & Early Help
- Mental Health Support Teams
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Team
- Children's Therapies (Occupational Therapy, Physio, Speech and Language Therapy)
- The Early Years SEN team
- Youth Trust

**9.30am-12.30pm:**  
Up to Reception Year

**12.30pm-3.30pm:**  
Year One and Above

Refreshments will be provided



**great people great place**

## PTFA News

Please do remember to sign up to Classlist here <https://classlist.page.link/BQwiMihagRFz9LoX7> as it will keep you updated with all events for the children run by the PTFA and you will need to have an account to pre-order donuts and other events such as the grotto/raffle tickets. Thank you.

### Discos

Thanks to staff and families for helping at the three discos this week. They were a huge success, both in terms of the children enjoying themselves and in terms of the profit made which totalled in the region of £500.



### Parents' Evenings

Remember after the holidays we are holding parents and carer consultations on Tuesday 7th November and Thursday 9th November.

This is a chance for you to come and see how your child has settled into their new year group and hear how they are getting on with their work. We aim to see every family.

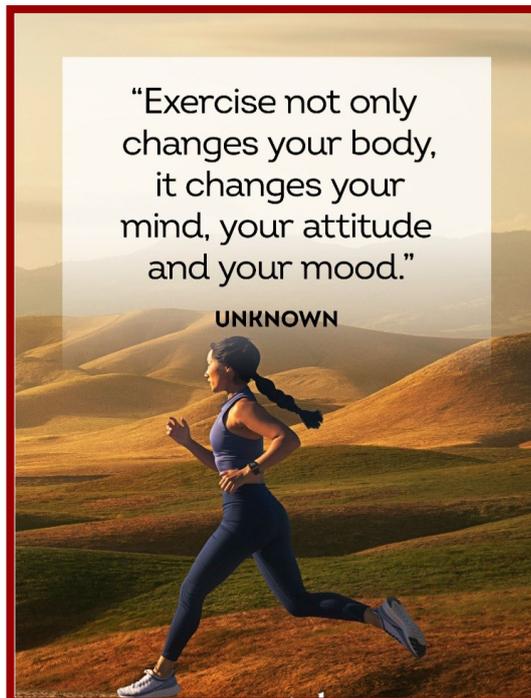
Please sign up on Scopay. The Scopay booking system will be closing on Sunday 5th November at 6pm.

Please make sure you sign up before then.



### And Finally...

Have a fantastic half term break - remember it is two weeks this year. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 6th November.



Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher



# INVITATION



THE DARKER  
SIDE OF

## WIGET

BEMBRIDGE  
SPECIAL

Featuring Peter J Murray and Kath with a K.  
Bembridge Village Hall

**Saturday 28th October, 2023**

6.30pm for 7pm

Entrance £5.00 - payable at the door.

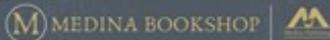
Cash or debit card.

Refreshments will be served.

Donations if desired to  
Dementia UK Admiral Nurse, IW  
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## TRAINS RETURN TO WHITWELL IN 2023!

THE ISLE OF WIGHT GROUP of the N GAUGE SOCIETY

# MODEL RAILWAY OPEN DAY

Saturday 28th October

10.00am to 4.00pm

Whitwell Village Hall, Ventnor Road

Whitwell PO38 2PU



Trains will be running on the group's modular layout together with members' individual model railway layouts

There will also be a variety of micro layouts - not to be missed!

Admission £3.00 Children under 16 free (accompanied by an adult) Cash Only

Disabled access and limited parking at the hall. No restrictions to parking along the main road outside the hall. Whitwell Village Hall is on bus route 6

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- 10am to 2.30pm
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- Friday 3 November

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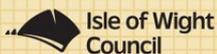
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