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Queensgate Foundation
Primary School



Happy Holidays

Dear Parents and Carers,

Good-bye and Good Luck Year 6

It was brilliant to have our Year 6 parents join us for two assemblies this week. Our Year 6 children wrote their assembly themselves and both were very enjoyable to watch.

We have also had a **Clapping Corridor** today where the whole school came out together and clapped our Year 6 children as they received their hoodies and yearbooks.

Our Year 6 have been on an incredible journey. I remember them well in Reception! They have matured beautifully over the years and I know they are all ready for secondary school. Good-bye and good luck Year 6. It has been a pleasure having you at Queensgate. Please come back and visit when you can.

The PTFA Logo Competition

The PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) are a dedicated group of parents and teaching staff who work together to raise money to enhance the learning experience and environment of the children in tandem with the school.

We fundraise by having many events during the school year including Christmas and Summer Fayres, Easter cake sales, mufti days, discos, film nights, Year 6 Enterprise project and our ever growing Queensgate Fun Run.

The members have decided that it's time for a new identity and would like a separate Logo rather than using exactly the same logo as the school. Therefore, **all children** are invited to have a go at designing a brand new Logo for the PTFA over the summer holiday. Entries will need to be returned to school by Friday 3rd September, where the PTFA committee will have the tricky job of picking the winner.

The winners logo will then be displayed on the PTFA's page on the school website, on the PTFA's Facebook page and used in all fundraising and advertisements for the future. So get your designing hats on and let your creative juices flow!



LOGO COMPETITION!



Report Comments and Questionnaires

Thank you so much for taking the time to fill in the parent questionnaire on line. It's still not too late to complete it, you can do this by visiting this link - <https://surveyhero.com/c/e6416253>

Here are some of the comments received so far:

What are the strengths of the school?

"The learning curriculum",

"Supportive school for students and parents",

"Out and about and other subjects like cookery",

"My Son is developing a lot more in confidence and can now stand in front of class to discuss his family homework. The school helps him build his confidence and writing skills",

"Queensgate is a lovely school and my daughter loves going to school everyday which makes a parents life easier for sure",

"Staff and leadership, Communication through newsletters has been great too",

"Lovely out and about trips, lots of PE and different experiences provided",

"We as a family feel the variety of learning alongside the extra curriculum activities like out & about, the patch, cookery, swimming lessons and music, is a very strong benefit to the school",

"With the introduction of Benji we really feel he is a positive addition to the team, he is extremely well behaved on his morning routine greeting parents & children in to the school",

"Communication, organisation and the ability to be flexible to change (mainly due to Covid)"

"Community, creative, modern education, dedicated staff",

Thank you also for completing the parents comments from your child's report. We have thoroughly enjoyed reading them all.

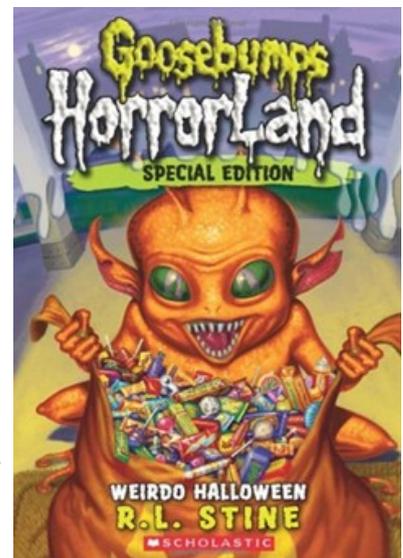
Love reading?

Then try this....

George in 5RA has been reading the books in the Goosebumps series. His favourite two are Slappy New Year and Weirdo Halloween. He loves these books because they're a bit scary and the characters have to solve mysteries.

George would recommend these books to Year 5 and 6, especially people that like to be spooked. We have lots of books in this series in our school library so get reading if you like a scare!

We'd love to know what you are reading at home. If you have any reading recommendations, please let us know so we can share it here. Don't forget to visit your local library!



Governors



School governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education.

How can you join Queensgate Governing Body?

Queensgate Foundation Primary School in East Cowes needs you on our governing board! Being a school governor is about overseeing how a school is run, making vital decisions about its future, and supporting our families in East Cowes and the surrounding area.

It's about giving something back and making sure our young people access the best opportunities, when it comes to education.

We meet about six times a year, plus some sessions in school. We get to join our teaching staff on site, supporting students' learning.

Accountant, builder, or cardiologist? It's as simple as ABC. Your skills can enhance our team and you don't need a background in education.

We have three vacancies to fill (two co-opted positions and one partnership role). We all have different skill sets and we know you have something to offer that will enhance our team. There are plenty of opportunities for training, plus, we will be here to support your journey.

For a friendly chat and more info email Co Chair Lucy Curran on: lcurran@queensgateprimary.co.uk

To apply, visit <https://www.queensgateprimary.co.uk/our-school/governor-vacancies> complete the application form and email it to the Clerk to Governors Angela Selle at: admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk.

Alternatively, if you know someone in the community who can contribute to the Governing Board please speak to them and nominate them.

We can't wait to see you in September!

Benji Blog



Benji would like to wish you all a safe and fun filled summer holiday. He is off to visit friends and family in Scotland, but will also be going to the beach and honing his paddle boarding skills on the Island!



Benji would also like to say a huge thank you for all of his gifts. Have a great summer everyone!



What's for dinner next term?

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



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Beef Bolognese	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
Bank Holiday	INSET Day	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Butternut Squash and Tomato Bake with Rice	Meat Free Nuggets and Chips
		Carrots Cabbage	Sweetcorn Broccoli	Baked Beans Peas
		Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Berry & Peach Oaty Crumble with Custard	Orange, Sultana & Carrot Cake Slice

Autumn Menus - from new provider Chartwells

WEEK 1		WEEK 2	
MONDAY		MONDAY	
<p>HOT SPECIALS...</p> <p>Macaroni Cheese ✓ Traditional Mac N Cheese, delicious macaroni in a creamy cheese sauce</p> <p>Vegetable Burrito Wrap ✓ A soft wrap filled with lightly spiced veggies and rice</p>	<p>DAILY FAVES...</p> <p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>	<p>HOT SPECIALS...</p> <p>Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Dough Balls ✓ Cheesy tomato topped pizza slice</p> <p>Veggie Bolognese ✓ Yummy veggie Bolognese with pasta</p>	<p>DAILY FAVES...</p> <p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>
<p>Allegra's Chicken Filo Pie with Mashed Potato A delicious light filo pastry topped chicken pie</p> <p>Allegra's BBQ Beans served with cornbread Tangy BBQ beans served with cornbread</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings including salmon mayo</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>	<p>Sausage and Mash with Gravy Sausage and mash with rich gravy</p> <p>Allegra's Oodles of Noodles Delicious noodles with tofu and veggies</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>
<p>Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Tender roast gammon served with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy</p> <p>Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy ✓ A chunky sweet potato and chickpea roast</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>	<p>Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Succulent roast chicken with fluffy roasties and tasty gravy</p> <p>Creamy Vegetable Pie with Roast Potatoes and Gravy ✓ Creamy vegetable pie with a cheesy shortcrust topper</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>
<p>Beef Bolognese A classic Italian Beef Bolognese in a yummy tomato sauce</p> <p>Butternut Squash and Tomato Bake with Rice ✓ A delicious butternut squash and tomato bake served with rice</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>	<p>Beef Lasagne with a Garlic & Herb Bread Wedge ✓ A classic Italian layered pasta dish with beef mince</p> <p>Mild Chickpea and Potato Curry ✓ A tasty mild chickpea and potato curry</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>
<p>Golden Fish Fingers and Chips Crispy fish fingers with scrummy chips</p> <p>Meat-free Nuggets and Chips ✓ Crispy Quorn nuggets with their fave sauce - ketchup</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>	<p>Golden Fish Fingers and Chips Crispy fish fingers with scrummy chips</p> <p>Tomato Veggie Burger and Chips ✓ A scrummy tomato veggie burger in a soft bap</p>	<p>Jacket Potato ✓ with a choice of fillings</p> <p>Tomato Pasta ✓ Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta</p>
<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Green Beans and Sweetcorn</p> <p>Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Peas and Broccoli</p> <p>Brownie</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Carrots and Cabbage</p> <p>Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Carrot Sticks and Cucumber Sticks</p> <p>Flapjack with Fruit Slices</p>
<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Broccoli and Sweetcorn</p> <p>Berry & Peach Oaty Crumble with Custard</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Broccoli and Peas</p> <p>Peach Shortbread Pudding & Custard</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Cabbage and Carrots</p> <p>Raspberry Yoghurt Cake</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Green Beans and Sweetcorn</p> <p>Fruity Chocolate Brownie</p>
<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Baked Beans and Peas</p> <p>Orange, Sultana & Carrot Cake Slice</p>	<p>SIDES... PICK A PUDD!</p> <p>Peas and Baked Beans</p> <p>Vanilla Ice Cream</p>	<p>Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit Available every day!</p>	

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Out & About

The **Year 5** children had an amazing final swimming lesson in the sun (with the roof open) on Tuesday. They enjoyed some fun time on the floats to celebrate the end of term too. They have all worked immensely hard each week in their lessons and we hope they will continue to develop their swimming skills over the Summer. The Waterside pool has 'casual swim' and 'fun sessions' available to book each day during the school holidays. See timetable on next page. Please note, they do need to be pre-booked.



On Tuesday afternoon the **3BM** Out and About team walked down to the seafront for a chill out and play in the play park. It was a very hot day so they enjoyed relaxing in the shade and practising their climbing skills!



To complete **Year 4s** topic on the Victorians, the final 4MC Out and About group visited Ventnor Botanical Gardens on Wednesday morning. The children learnt about the chest hospital that was sited there in Victorian times as they explored the gardens. Afterwards they walked down to Steephill Cove, which was also a popular beach and fishing bay in the Victorian era.



On Wednesday afternoon the second half of 6TS went to Ryde beach to enjoy their final Out and About trip. Some children enjoyed paddling in the sea, playing volleyball whilst others chose to keep cool in the shade.



A huge thank you to all parents and carers for supporting us this year by providing suitable clothing, equipment and footwear enabling your child/ children to enjoy their Out and About adventures.

WATERSIDE POOL

Tel: 01983 563656 Esplanade, Ryde, PO33 1JA www.watersidepool.co.uk

Pool Timetable ~ July / August 2021
Please remember to book in advance.

Timetable Key

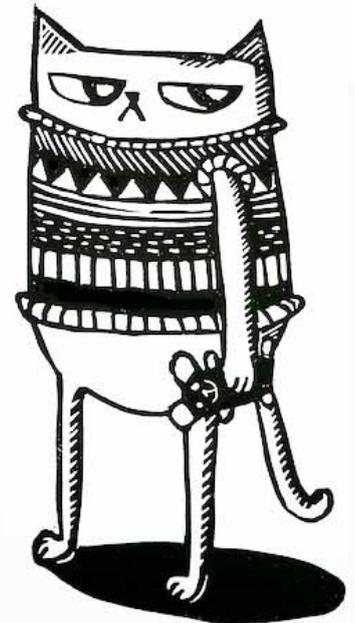
- Lane Swim
- Fun Session
- Squads (Swim Club)
- Private Hire
- Casual Swim
- Lessons
- Aqua Fit
- Inflatable Hire
- Underwater Hockey

- (1) Private Hire is not included on user card.
- (2) All sessions have limited capacities and are subject to Covid-19 restrictions to ensure your safety and the safety of others.
- (3) **ALL BOOKINGS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.**

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MONDAY	LANES 6.30am to 7.15am		LANES 7.30am to 8.15am		LANES 8.30am to 9.15am		CASUAL SWIM 9.30am to 10.30am		CASUAL SWIM 11am to 12pm		LANES 12.15pm to 1pm		FUN SESSIONS 1.15pm to 2pm		FUN SESSIONS 2.15pm to 3pm		LESSONS 3.30pm to 6pm						CASUAL SWIM 6.15pm to 7pm		LANES 7.15pm to 8pm																															
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SUNDAY	LANES 8am to 8.45am		LESSONS 9am to 11am				LANES 11.30am to 12.15pm		FUN SESSION 12.30pm to 1.15pm		CASUAL SWIM 1.30pm to 2.15pm		CASUAL SWIM 2.30pm to 3.15pm		SQUADS (Swim Club) 4pm to 6pm				UNDERWATER HOCKEY 6.15pm to 8.15pm																																					

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A Message from Miss Stone



Character Challenge! Create your own character

Over the summer holidays I will be doing an art residency in the Department (formally known as the department store Packs) in Ryde in association with Ryde Arts. I will be creating artwork in one of the big windows over four weeks.

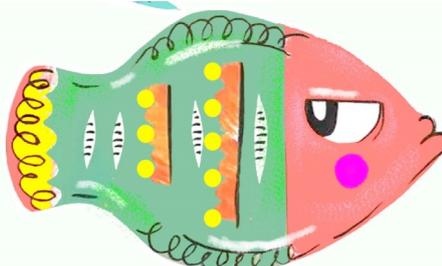
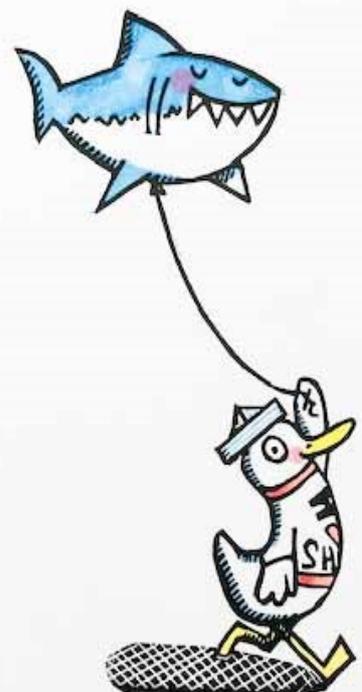
As you may know I love art, especially illustration. I will be working on some character designs in hopes to create a picture book in the future. You can see some of my characters on this page.

Why not create your own character over the summer holidays. I would love to see them! Bring your creations to school in September and we can make a display in the Art Area.

You can visit me at the Department, Cross Street, Ryde on Saturday mornings when the building will be open to the public or see my progress and me at work during the rest of the week. I will be there from Monday 26th July - Friday 20th August.

Have a wonderful, creative summer

Miss Stone



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Academic Year Dates 2021 / 2022

Tuesday 31st August - INSET Day 1 for staff (School closed for children)

Wednesday 1st September - First day of Autumn term for children

Sunday 12th September - Walk the Wight

Monday 20th September - INSET Day 2 for staff (School closed for children)

Friday 1st October - Harvest Festival Service

Monday 4th October - Sports for Champions (Issa Batrane) visit to school

Friday 15th October - Last day at school for Autumn Term 1

Monday 18th October to Friday 29th October - Half Term Holiday

Monday 1st November - First day of Autumn term 2

Thursday 11th November - Remembrance Day

Wednesday 24th November - No Pens Day Wednesday (Spoken Language Day)

Thursday 2nd December - Flu Immunization Day in school by NHS nurses

Wednesday 15th December - Nativity (Reception) to parents

Thursday 16th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 17th December - Carol Service at the Church

Monday 20th December - Party Day for the children (Last day of Autumn Term 2)

Tuesday 21st December - INSET Day 3

Tuesday 21st December to Monday 3rd January - Christmas Holiday

Wednesday 22nd December - Extra Bank Holiday for Queens Jubilee Celebrations

Tuesday 4th January 2022 - INSET Day 4

Wednesday 5th January 2022 - First Day of Spring Term 1

For Isle of Wight Term Dates for 2021 / 22 click [here](#)

Have a lovely Holiday

Thank you for your support this year. We look forward to welcoming your child back on Wednesday 1st September at 8:40. School will finish at 3 pm for all children. Have a lovely holiday everyone.

Whole school attendance 96.73%.

Remember that good attendance will help your child to succeed at school.

This week 2GC achieved 99.22% attendance! Well done.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,



**Samantha Sillito
Headteacher**

COME AND JOIN US
Girls age 5-10

Your nearest Rainbow/Brownie unit is

1st East Coves Rainbows: Charlotte
1st East Coves Brownies: Katie

Register your interest by visiting www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus or you can ring Girlguiding on 0800 169 5901

Do you want to learn new skills?

Do you want to have lots of fun?

You can make friends and have adventures

Come join us this summer at our hockey camp!

LET'S PLAY HOCKEY!

The Isle of Wight Hockey Club will run 4 summer camp days at Smallbrook Stadium. Sessions are aimed at all abilities, from new starts to those who have played before. Children attending must bring a gum shield and shin pads. Equipment provided for those that need it.

FREE SESSIONS RUN 10AM-12PM 23RD-26TH AUGUST AGES 8+

Check out the program and register your interest on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/iowhc
For more information on the Isle of Wight Hockey Club, visit our main page: www.iowhc.co.uk

connect4 communities

FREE fun activities for Children and young people who are **free school meal eligible** in East Coves!

As part of the Department of Education's Holiday Activity Food Programme, we are happy to announce FREE places for children and young people who live in East Coves and who receive **free school meals** during term time.

We will be delivering two weeks of Sports based games and activities for ages 8-11, then two weeks of Drama and Singing for confidence for ages 11 to 16 with qualified professionals and the Parkside Pavilion Youth Cafe Team.

WHERE? East Coves Scout Hut , 40B Adelaide Grove, East Coves PO32 6DB
WHEN? Monday to Thursday in August, 10am to 2pm

SPORT For AGES 8 to 11 Weeks Commencing 2nd and 9th August

DRAMA For AGES 11 to 16 Weeks commencing 16th and 23rd August

COOK & EAT For all ages— parents welcome to join in too!

We will be offering a healthy lunch every day, recipe cards to take home and lots of opportunities to learn new cooking skills!

To book a place for your child/young person, email HAF@actioniw.org.uk.

Supported by

SOCCER CAMP

27 - 30TH JULY
3RD - 6TH AUGUST
10TH - 13TH AUGUST
18TH - 20TH AUGUST

FOR 4-11 YEARS
£10 A DAY
10AM UNTIL 2:45PM
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ALL OF OUR COACHES ARE FA LEVEL 2 QUALIFIED AND HAVE ALL BEEN CRB CHECKED.

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ARTS JAYDENE-LEE SUMMER WORKSHOPS!

Family Aerial, Circus and Dance classes

Thursdays between 29th July – 26th August | 10-11am @ Northwood WI Hall | Ages 1-5

Musical Dance Workshops with special guest! AMY DENHAM

Friday 6th August | Ages 5-8 10am-11:30am | Ages 9+ 11:30am-1pm
@ Cowes Primary School | £8

Contemporary Dance Workshops

Monday 9th August | Ages 5-8 10am-11:30am | Ages 9+ 11:30am-1pm

@ Cowes Primary School | £7

THE ISLANDS FIRST!! Aerial & Circus FUN DAYS!

20th August & 24th August | 10am-3pm @ Cowes Primary School | for ages 6+ | £25

Please bring packed lunch (full days only) and plenty of water

Wear suitable comfortable clothing and no jewellery.

To book: Contact Jaydene for more information – 07715450640 / on her social medias @ Jaydene Lee Arts / click on the link below to book:
<https://bookwhen.com/jaydeneleearts>



SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION 2021

DO YOU ENJOY WRITING STORIES?

This August we launch our competition and will be looking for the best short story of 2021.

Could you be one of this year's winners?

Look out for further details coming soon!

www.sightforwight.org.uk

Sight for Wight is the working name for Isle of Wight Society for the Blind

Registered charity number 114941

Company limited by guarantee 6240404

Play Junior Rugby with **Vectis Rugby Club**

New players welcome in September 2021

Boys and Girls

New Under-6s (Year 1) starting in September 2021

Under 6's/Under 7's/Under 8's are all non-contact tag rugby. Sessions are all delivered by experienced coaches with first aid qualifications and DBS checks.

Teamwork

Respect

Enjoyment

Discipline

Sportsmanship

Teams and age groups

Under 6s (Year 1) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 7s (Year 2) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 9s (Year 4) - Venue SSRFC (Sandown) Fridays 16:15-17:30

Under 8s (Year 3) - Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 10:00-11:00

Under 10s (Year 5)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 11:15-12.15

Under 11s (Year 6)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 11:15-12.15

Under 12s (Year 7)- Venue IWRFC (Wootton) Sundays 11:15-12.15

Contact

For more details go to vectisrugby.co.uk

Additionally register your child's interest:

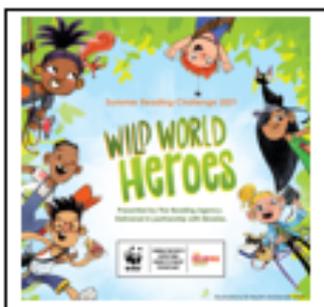
For Under 8/7s & Under 6s contact Steve via WhatsApp (07368527330)

For Under 9s contact Paul (07782 238752) or Sam (07932 045367)



Visit www.vectisrugby.co.uk - Volunteers always welcome!

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East Cowes Community Library

East Cowes Town Hall

01983 718662

eastcoweslibrary@gmail.com

Be a Wild World Hero!

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

<https://youtu.be/f7lvva-LwMU>

*Get a starter Pack with fold out poster

* Get stickers and a bookmark after 2 books

*Get stickers and a fridge magnet after 4 books

* Get stickers, a medal and certificate after 6 books

Dear Parents and Carers,

The **Summer Reading Challenge** is here! A fantastic, fun and **free** way to support your child's learning and avoid the 'summer skills dip'. This year the theme is **Wild World Heroes** and the reading agency is working with WWF (World Wide Fund for Nature) and aims to inspire children to protect our planet. There are rewards shown in the box above. Schools may ask children to show their medals or certificates after the holiday. **It starts nationally on July 19th 2021.**

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING YOUR CHILD'S LIBRARY CARD OR THE COMPLETED FORM BELOW

Although our library is currently closed for the exciting development of a new library and community hub, we have been running an order, collect and return system from the Town Hall. This will continue but we have managed to move most of our children's stock onto mobile units in the hall, so children will be able to choose books to borrow and join in the summer reading challenge. We are hoping to include story times and book talk opportunities during the Tuesday session, depending on numbers and current advice. Please see our ~~Summer~~ opening times below.

Monday 10.00am to 1.00pm

Tuesday 4.00pm to 6.00pm

Thursday 9.30am to 12.30pm

On arrival, we are asking adults to check their temperature and use the hand sanitiser in the foyer. Either use the QR scan code or leave track and trace contact details at the front desk. Returns and collection of requested books will continue here. There will be a separate staffed table for children to visit and for staff to record any returned and borrowed books and provide summer reading challenge materials. Please exit via the side door. Masks are optional.

The team at East Cowes Community Library wishes you and your family a happy summer break!

PS. We are **NOT** charging for overdue books until ~~Autumn~~. Please return any outstanding books you may still have.

I would like my child to join the library

Name of child:

Child's date of birth:

Address:

Post Code:

Phone numbers:

Name of parent/carer:

Signature of parent/carer:

Parent/carer's library card number (if you have one):

Parent/carer's email (optional for overdue reminders etc.):

Privacy statement: Your child's data will be entered onto the library computer system so we can issue them with a library card. We will not share this data with any other organisation. This form will be destroyed after card issue.



LOCAL HELP IS AT HAND

HELP!

I'm worried about COVID-19

Take regular rapid response LFT tests even if you don't have symptoms. You can pick up tests to take at home or get tested in a local pharmacy. Find your nearest pharmacy at: [maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk](https://www.maps.test-and-trace.nhs.uk) You can also order home test kits online from: [gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests)

HELP!

I have COVID-19 symptoms

Most people with COVID-19 have at least one of these symptoms:

- A high temperature. This means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back.
- A new, continuous cough.
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.

If you have symptoms, you need to self-isolate and take a PCR test. You can only leave home to have a test. Book a test online [gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test](https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test) or phone **119**

HELP!

My child or I are required to self-isolate

If you or your child are told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by the school or you have COVID-19 symptoms, you must not leave your home or garden. If you test positive or NHS Test and Trace ask you to self-isolate, you must do so by law. Self-isolation rules are changing on 16 August 2021. You can find out more here [keeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation](https://www.keeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation)

HELP!

I can't afford to self-isolate

You could get £500 support grant if you need to self-isolate and are on a low income, cannot work from home and will lose income as a result. You can also apply for the support grant if you have to stay at home to look after a child who is required to self-isolate. You do not need to repay the money. [io.gov.uk/IWtestandtracesupport](https://www.io.gov.uk/IWtestandtracesupport)

HELP!

I'm worried about my work if I have to self-isolate

If you are worried about money or work because you have to self-isolate, please ask for help. [keeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation](https://www.keeptheislandsafe.org/self-isolation) or phone **01983 823600**

HELP!

I'm feeling worried

It's okay not to be okay. Get help at [iwmentalhealth.co.uk](https://www.iwmentalhealth.co.uk) or phone **111**
The COVID-19 helpline may also be able to help **01983 823600**

[keeptheislandsafe.org](https://www.keeptheislandsafe.org)

0800 077122



FREE ICE-CREAM

BRING YOUR FAMILY

COME AND MEET OTHER FAMILIES

SAY HELLO TO THE IW SEN TEAM

WED 4TH AUGUST
11 AM

SEACLOSE, FAIRLEE ROAD, NEWPORT, PO30 2EL

ARE YOU A PARENT/CARER FOR A CHILD WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES?

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG, MEET OTHER FAMILIES AND OUR LOCAL SEN TEAM ALONG WITH ENJOYING FREE ICE-CREAM.



PARENTS VOICE IW

The Isle of Wight's Parent Carer Forum

parentsvoice@peoplematteriw.org

07707 601122



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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

Working together for a successful future



Isle of Wight Family Centres

Our Family Centres offer information, advice and support to families on the Isle of Wight with children aged 0-19 years. We recognise being a parent is rewarding but also brings its challenges as every child is unique. To help you understand your child and their needs we offer a range of parenting programmes and services to cover all ages and stages including online courses and workshops. Please explore the site at this link <https://www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk/>

A Message from Sovereign Housing

HOUSING association, Sovereign, is inviting Isle of Wight residents to submit project ideas for creating great outdoor spaces in their community. Take a look at this link for more information.



<https://www.sovereign.org.uk/your-community-your-choice>

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