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Queensgate Foundation Primary School

Summer Fair and Sports Days

Dear Families,

Staffing Update

Following on from our staffing news last week we have had the first of our interviews and have successfully appointed Mrs Indra Riches to the position of music teacher.

I'll let Mrs Riches introduce herself...

I have been Head of Music at several Secondary Schools both here on the Isle of Wight and in the Midlands. Three years ago, I moved to teaching primary school music and love it! I studied piano and voice at university, and work at Curtain Call as a vocal coach at the weekends. In the school holidays I work for the National Trust and love the nature that we care for here on the Isle of Wight. I am really excited to be a part of the Queensgate team and can't wait to get started in September.

Current Adverts

Please see our adverts for two vacancies on pages 5 and 6, please spread the word to anyone that you know who may be interested. Thank you.

Summer Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who has brought in tombola prizes and jars. Our Summer Fair is next **Friday 5th July** 3:00pm until 4:30pm. As well as the tombola's there will be an ice-cream van, bouncy castles and Year 6 fun and games. There is also a raffle with many fantastic prizes to be won. We hope you can all come along!



Sports Days



On **Thursday 4**th **July** we are holding Key Stage 1 Sports' Day from 9:15 until 12:00. Reception children will go in early once they have finished their track events. The children need to come to school in their Queensgate PE kit. Long hair needs to be tied back and no jewellery worn unless the earrings are new then they can be covered with tape. Please also make sure your child has a named water bottle and a sun hat. Please put their suntan lotion on before

they come to school. The children will be on one side of the track and we ask parents to stay on the other side of the track.

On **Friday 5th July** we are holding Key Stage 2 Sports' Day from 9:15 until 12:00. All details are the same as above.



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Cł	hartwells Schools	TUESDAY	VEEK 2	W/G: 22/04, 13/05, 10/06, 01/07, 22/	2/07, 16/09, 07/10
HOT SPECIALS	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Beef Bolognese n ♥ @ Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Butter Chicken Curry 👹 🤗 Served with Wholegrain Rice	Southern Fried Chicken Served with Chips
HOT SP	Vegetarian Bolognese 🖉 👹 🤗 Served with Wholewheat Pasta	Veggie Burrito 🍘 🐲 🤿	Quorn Roast Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Macaroni Cheese 🕢	Veggie Fingers Served with Chips
LACKET POTATO	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes ♥ with a choice of hot and cold filings, including Salmon Mayomaise ⊅	Jacket Potatoes ♥ with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potatoes ♥ ♥ with a choice of hot and cold fillings
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LSS BIRT	Chocolate Cookie	Au main m Carrot, Orange and Sultana Slice⊚ ❤	orange Jelly	Chocolate Shortbread with Fruit	Orange Drizzle

Year 3 Mini Recorder Concert

Both Year 3 classes will be showcasing a mini recorder concert for parents in the hall on **Wednesday 10th July** from 9.00 - 9.30am. It will be an opportunity for the children to show off the progress they have made during the year. Please do come along we've made it so you can drop the children off and then come straight into the hall. Invites to Year 3 parents will be sent out soon.



Turn on the Subtitles

This does not in anyway replace reading books, but there is a mounting body of research to suggest that having the subtitles turned on can really aid children's reading fluency. Have a look at this website. <u>https://www.turnonthesubtitles.org/</u>



Careers Week

For Queensgate's first dedicated careers week we have managed to get quite a lot in! Although only a four day week - Mrs Johnson made sure that all Out & About trips this week was job focused. We had Florence (5TS)'s mum in talking to our Year 4's and 5's about being a Biomedical Scientist. The children asked some great questions and were really engaged by the talk.





Coen's Mum, Rachel, came in to speak to us about her job. She owns Slab the fudge shop in East Cowes. We learnt about the ingredients you need to make fudge and why the temperature of it is so important. The children got to taste some fudge samples and came up with some suggestions of new flavours Rachel could make in the shop!







Reception were also visited by Mia-Rose (RBH)'s mum to talk about her jobs.

Miss Stone's brother 'flew' in on Zoom to talk to Year 1 about being a pilot.

Mr Chubb held an assembly for Year 2 to Year 6 about the 350+ jobs in the NHS, which the children were very engaged with.

Thank you to everyone for giving up their time to support this. We will definitely be running something similar but we are always keen to invite parents in to talk about their work, so please contact your child's teacher - it can be at any time not just careers week!

The PTFA team are busily organising the Summer Fair and we are currently looking for RAFFLE PRIZES.

So far the following has been very kindly donated to us:

- Isle of Wight Steam Railway 🌉 has given a Family Travel Ticket.

- Dinosaur Isle 🐄 has given a Family Ticket.
- Amazon World 鐌 has given a Family Ticket.
- Riverside Pool has given 2 Adult and 2 Children Tickets.
- IOW Deer Farm 🦌 has given a Walking Family Tour.
- IOW Reptilarium 🐜 has given a Family Ticket.
- Ventnor Botanic Garden 鱦 has given a Family Membership Pass.
- Donkey Sanctuary Adoption 🐂
- Island Riding Centre voucher 🐲
- Tapnell Farm Pass 🐂
- Be Calmed products 🛓
- Shaniece's Personalised Pieces voucher >
- Slab Artisan Fudge 🛷

More prizes coming soon!

Vacancies at Queensgate

Interested in working at Queensgate? We have two position for September. Please see adverts.





Queensgate Foundation Primary School



Queensgate Foundation Primary School is a thriving two-form entry primary school in East Cowes. The school has had three consecutive "Good" Ofsted inspections since opening.

We are so excited to announce an expansion to our staff This is your opportunity to join our team and help make a difference to our children's lives. Grow your career – Grow yourself

> We are looking for a Teaching Assistant in the first instance 30 hours per week Scale point 5 – actual salary £16,448.73 This is position is permanent with a start date of 1st September 2024

We are looking for someone who:

- who has a belief that all children can succeed
- is reliable with a track record of excellent attendance
- has a child centred ethos
- has the ability to build great relationships
- is self-motivated and able to use own initiative

We can offer:

- > a very supportive, cheerful and positive staff team
- a leadership team, which keeps children at the heart of their decision making
- > wonderful children!
- support with CPD opportunities to help you grow and become the person you dreamed of

Sound like you? We can't wait to meet you!

You are warmly welcome to visit the school. Please phone us on 01983 292872 to visit the school and meet the Headteacher, Mrs. Sillito

To apply please check the Vacancies section on our school website: <u>www.queensgateprimary.co.uk</u> and send your application to: <u>admin@queensgateprimary.co.uk</u>

> Closing date: July 5th 2024 - Noon Interview date: July 11th 2024

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children. The successful applicant will require an enhanced DBS clearance. The school is committed to equal opportunities.

Working Together for a Successful Future

Out & About

To celebrate the diverse range of career opportunities the Island has to offer, our Out and About groups have explored a variety of different jobs and volunteer roles during this week's sessions.

Our **Reception** Out and About team visited the Bembridge Lifeboat Station. The children learnt all about the different roles within the RNLI (mainly voluntary but some paid positions) and their job in helping people at sea. The children enjoyed listening to a story about a lifeboat rescue, finding out about how to keep safe at the seaside and meeting a crew member. They had a very rare opportunity to board the lifeboat too!

"We went to see the boats. They were orange. When someone is in trouble in the sea, they rescue people. We went on the lifeboat but we didn't get to go in the sea." Reggie RBH

"We went Out and About to see a lifeboat. We put on the yellow suit and tried on the helmets and we put on life jackets. We saw a little lifeboat too. I saw where the lifeboat crew go. We stood on the big lifeboat and we met a lifeboat man." Chloe RSD



On Tuesday afternoon the **Year 5** Out and About group visited the Wight Aviation Museum at Sandown Airport. The children were able to see the model of the Black Arrow rocket that was designed in 1960s, built and tested (unfortunately not launched) on the Island. They learnt about manned space missions and what is needed for survival as well as experimenting with water and air fuelled rocket launching. The team at the museum are all volunteers, from a variety of career backgrounds and have a wealth of knowledge about engineering, aircrafts and rockets. It was great to have the opportunity for them to share their passion and understanding with the children.

"We were learning about the Black Arrow and rocket travel. We went to the Wight Aviation Museum. We got to look at a model of the satellite that was in the Black Arrow and where it is in space now, orbiting earth. The best bit was probably testing the foam rockets and water rockets, to see how high they would go." Acacia 5RA

"We went to the rocket museum and we saw the life sized model of the Black Arrow. We did some experiments of rocket launching with air and water. Then we looked at the satellite from the Black Arrow in space on a tracker, it lost a leg that it is still orbiting the earth! We learnt about what you need to survive if you are going to travel in space. My favourite bit was launching the rockets with compressed air!" Xachary 5TS



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The **Year 4** Out and About group took part in a careers trail around East Cowes town. The children were astounded at how many different jobs, businesses and industries there are within their local community. The children popped in and asked questions to some employees in different sectors, learning about skills and attributes, career pathways and why different people enjoy their jobs. The children particularly liked speaking to the owners at Artisan Cafe about running their own business and talking to estate agents about what their job entails. We visited the East Cowes Curve and learnt about all the different jobs within the Town Hall and library. Miss Matthews spoke about her voluntary work as a library assistant as well as her career in teaching. She gave the group an inspiring talk about how important it is to try hard and be the best that you can be. Miss Matthews told the children that gaining qualifications can give you choices about your life and support you within a range of careers. Miss Matthews also explained that how being part of sports team or representing your class as a School Councillor can help to give you important skills that are all transferable in the world of work.

"We were learning about different jobs. We walked from Queensgate into East Cowes. We went to the library and saw Miss Matthews, she told us about her career as a teacher and her volunteer work at the library. She spoke to us about her childhood, her favourite books and why she likes helping people and reading books." Toby G 4MC

"We were learning about jobs and all the different jobs you can do in East Cowes. My favourite bit was going to the library. We had an ice cream!" Jesse 4MC



On Wednesday afternoon the **6TM** Out and About group walked to the RNLI boat building factory on Clarence Road. The children were given an in-depth tour, learning about the different stages of building lifeboats and how the factory is run. They met employees carrying out various roles throughout the factory from building the rigid hull of the boats, wiring the electrics to cutting out the fabric to create the sponsons (inflatable tubes). It was fascinating to see all the different jobs roles within the factory. I wonder if any of our pupils will follow a career in boat building?





If you or your employer would be interested in supporting the school with our Career Related Learning we'd love to hear from you! We are always keen to welcome you into school or visit your place of work within Out and About.

Out and About next week...

Please ensure your child has suncream applied before school, wears suitable play clothes, comfortable shoes and they bring a sunhat and water bottle.

Tuesday am - Reception

Bembridge Lifeboat Station

Alfie, Coen, Eliza, Hunter, Jason, Romeo, Yazan, Dylan, Jacob, Leo, Layton, Ronney and Leo. *Please could you bring a small donation, if possible, for the RNLI for your child to put in their collection pot.

Tuesday pm - Year 5

Wight Aviation Museum Artem, Maizy, Arthur, Bradley, Archie, Skyla, Rosie, Tyson, Levi, Evelyn, Elsie-Mai, Jake, Elanor and Emmie.

Wednesday am - Year 4

Osborne House

Benjamin, Mia-Rose, Oscar G, Harry G, Oscar H, Ruben, Jacob, Paloma, Harvey, Fletcher, River, Rhys, Adhvika, Lily and Vincent.

Wednesday pm - Year 6 (6TM)

Beach James D, Archie, James M, Tommy, Joe, Zoe, Rochelle, Sarah, Charlotte, Chloe Sh, Keira, Bella TR, Chyna, Evie and Bongeka.

Attendance

Whole School Attendance since September is 95.06%

Whole School Attendance this week is 90.43%

KS1 Class with best attendance this week is 2KG with 95.85%

KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 6TM with 97.7%

And Finally...

Have a lovely weekend and remember to chat, read and play with your children!



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ABOUT US

The IOW Wellbeing Service has been commissioned by The Hampshire and Isle of Wight Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The aim of the service is to support parents and carers of children and young people living on the Isle of Wight who are experiencing distressing or challenging behaviours.

Our information sessions have been designed to support families by implementing strategies at an early intervention capacity to support the emotional

wellbeing of the parent/carer and child. All of our information sessions are free and can be booked without a referral.

By providing early, targeted support through a child-centred approach, the Isle of Wight Wellbeing Service aims to:

Support families to hep their children self manage an maintain good emotional wellbeing

Promote a healthy home environment and improve famil dynamics

support parents and caregivers to evaluate their child's needs, behaviour and emotional wellbeing

Support familied in respect of crisis management a

Support parents and caregivers to learn strategies to enable their child to self-regulate, build emotional resilience



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IOW Wellbeing Service

A guide to:

Workshop and Information

sessions

Delivered by the Isle of Wight Wellbeing Service.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Partnership of Clinical Commissioning Groups

BEHIND THE BEHAVIOUR

A 60 minute information session which explores the emotional and sensory reasons for different types of behaviour that is demonstrated in the home. We offer a brief overview of different ways to understand and explore behaviour and provide a range of strategies that can be implemented to support your child in the home.

BOUNDARIES & EXPECTATIONS

This 60 minute information session aims to support parents and caregivers in understanding different types of boundaries and why implementing boundaries and expectations is important. A step by step action plan is provided to guide you through the process of setting out your individual goals.

SUPPORTING THE ANXIOUS CHILD

An early intervention, 60 minute information session providing strategies to support the wellbeing of children who are demonstrating anxious behaviours in the home. (This session is designed at an early intervention level only and you may be signposted to other services depending on your individual circumstances).

NAVIGATING NEURODIVERGENCE **

** A 60 minute information session aims to provide an insight into different behaviours and tendencies commonly

demonstrated by those who have received a neurodivergent diagnosis. It aims to inform parents and caregivers of support services that are available and offers an insight into strategies that may help in managing expectations or family routines to support your child. Please note that this workshop is only available

through a PSA referral.

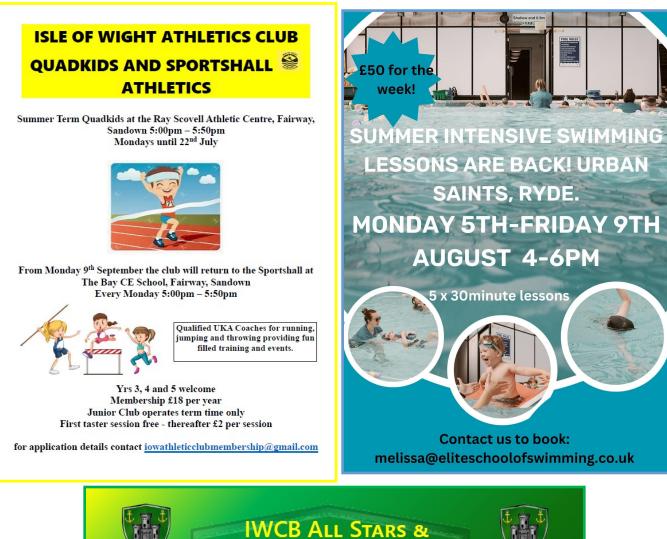
CHILD TO PARENT VIOLENCE AND AGGRESSION

This 90 minute information session is designed to support parents and caregivers who are experiencing physical and verbal violence, aggression and abuse in the home from children. By providing an insight into patterns of behaviour that are developed from an early age we will demonstrate how simple interventions can help to improve family dynamics and reduce conflict.

SEASONAL SENSORY INSIGHTS

This 60 minute session highlights and explains why events such as Halloween, Bonfire night, birthdays and Christmas can often be overwhelming for children who have sensory sensitivities. It provides strategies and approaches to hosting your celebrations in a sensory friendly way to help you and your family enjoy the festive season.







Newclose County Cricket Ground Monday 29th & Tuesday 30th July Shanklin & Godshill Cricket Club Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th August

Cowes Cricket Club Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th August **Brighstone** Recreation Ground Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28thAugust **St Helens Cricket Club** Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th August

Spaces limited to 16 All sessions FREE All equipment provided All Stars - Ages 5-8 Dynamos - Ages 8-11

All camps 10am-3pm and run by DBS checked ECB Qualified Coaches To sign up, email Alex at wgdo@isleofwightcricket.co.uk

Aspire and The Family Hub Parent Survey

It's Rosie from Aspire alongside the Family Hubs again with a new Parents & Carers Together (PACT) survey.

The theme is Bonding With Bump & Baby which is all about mental wellbeing during pregnancy and parenthood, which we can all agree is a huge subject.

The link for the survey is <u>https://forms.office.com/e/DD2Xtcu9Ek</u>

Slimming World



Every Wednesday evening at Queensgate Foundation Primary, Beatrice Avenue, East Cowes PO32 6PA

New Consultant please call Helen on 07771 641951.