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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break.

This week our Year 2 football team enjoyed a fantastic game of football in the sunshine against Arreton Primary on Wednesday afternoon. Both teams have improved greatly since the first match, back in the autumn term, and the game was very exciting to watch with over 15 goals! Mr Knight said, "It was great to see the children playing football again, and you can clearly see how much both teams have progressed. We look forward to maybe having another game against Arreton before the end of the school year."



School certificates

We have updated the school awards moving forward. There are now 'School values star of the week' and 'Skills builders' certificates, as well as the sports stars. These will be awarded as usual on a Monday morning in celebration assembly; please do have a look through to see if your child has been awarded one for the week. If they are you are very welcome to join us for celebration assembly at 08.45.

Walk the Wight update

Registrations for postal packs has now closed. This means that those who register from now will need to collect their walker numbers and additional items such as pre-ordered t-shirts or water bottles, will need to be collected from their chosen start line. Children will receive a digital fundraising pack and sponsor form, as well as a digital fundraising page.

Mr Shepherd is running the London marathon this weekend !!

Raising funds for Hospice UK—Good luck Mr Shepherd!

If you can spare a penny or two please pop online using the following link to his Justgiving page:

[robbie shepherd is fundraising for Hospice UK \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com/robbie-shepherd)

Many thanks!

Just a polite reminder re lateness and absences:

After 8.30am all children who arrive at school late need to be signed in via the school office.

For each day that your child is absent from school, please advise the office in writing.

Many thanks for your continued support with this.





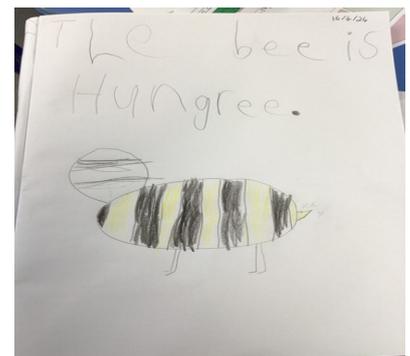
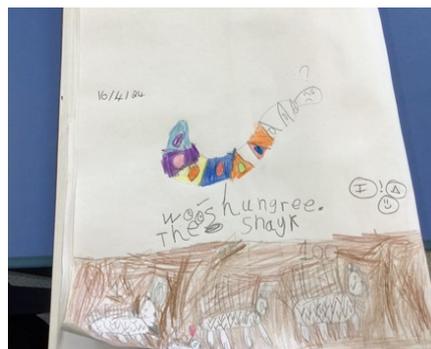
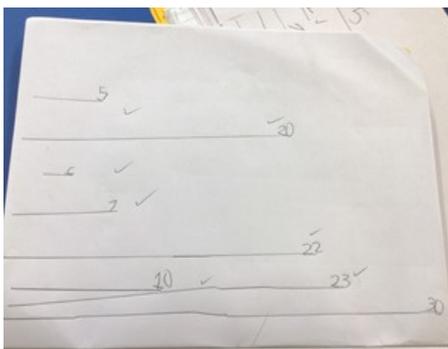
Pre-school

This week in Preschool the children have enjoyed being back after the Easter holidays. We have welcomed new friends and the children have been kind and caring towards them. We have been working on our fine motor skills. We have been using the large tweezers and have been completing puzzles.



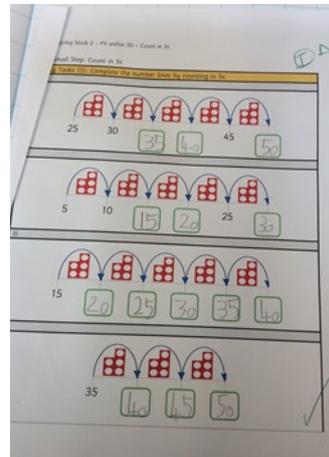
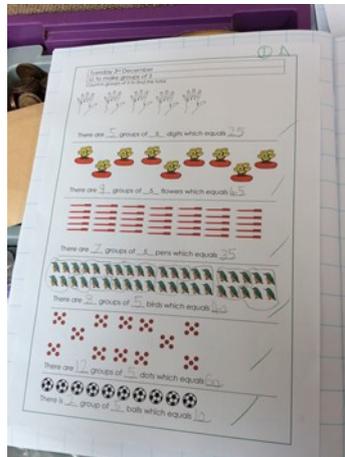
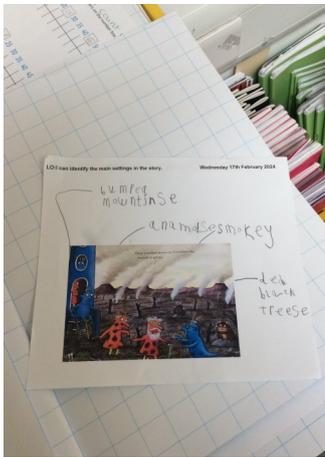
Reception

Receptions adventures this week have been about exploring what is meant by the word 'Change'. The children have talked about how change can affect their lives, such as changing their home or school, how they can change, such as having a different hair cut or changing their clothes and how their emotions can change. They carried this on to look at how Christians believe that Jesus helped to change people for the better. The children have been applying their number skills to using a ruler to measure out the required length and their phonics skills to write their own sentences!



Year 1

Year 1 have had an amazing start to the term. We have started our new learning journey in English of 'The Smeds and the Smoos' where the children had to sequence the story; do some role play and describe the different planets in the story. In Maths we have done some work counting in 5's and have started doing some work on money. In Science we have started our unit on plants. The children went outside and looked for different plants and then did a little experiment to see which bean will grow the best. Well done Year 1's you have worked super hard this week.



Year 2

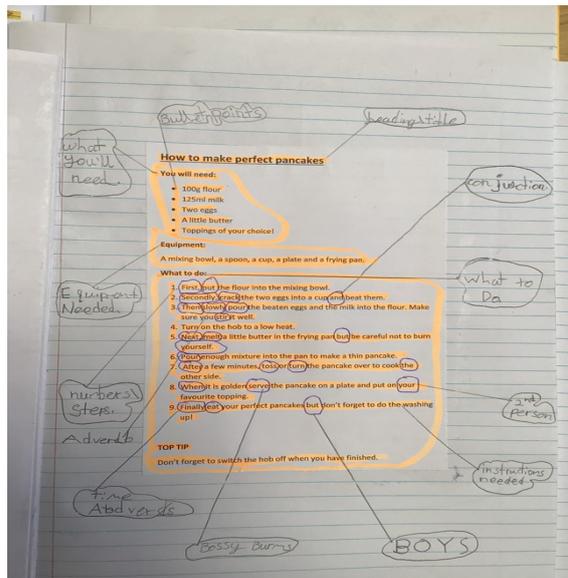
Year 2 had a fantastic first week back after half term. The children have settled back into school routines brilliantly and enjoyed our school trip to Bluebell Woods on Wednesday afternoon. After reading a new book in English which was all about a badger who wanted the forest to be neat and tidy for its other inhabitants, the children used litter picking devices to collect rubbish found in the woods and put it in bin liners, so that we could dispose of it. They also enjoyed tidying up many of the branches, twigs and sticks found on the forest floor. We look forward to writing, and then reading, their first person recount of the school trip in the coming weeks.





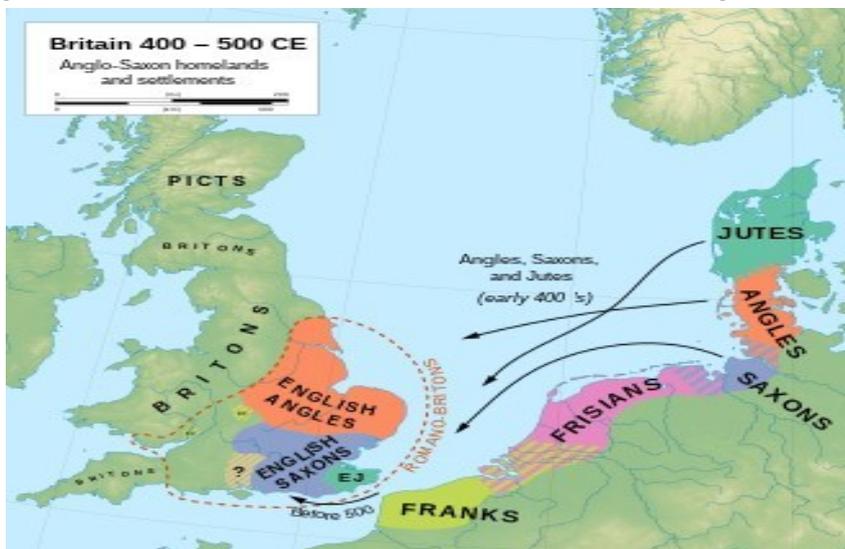
Year 3

It has been a great start back for Year 3, as we head into the Summer term. In Maths, we have been learning the 4 times tables and the children have been brilliant in their desire to learn these and practice them in different ways. In English, we have started to learn about instruction writing and remembering some of the features that need to be included. In History we have started to learn about the Anglo-Saxon period and remembering our learning around the Roman period that preceded it.



Year 4

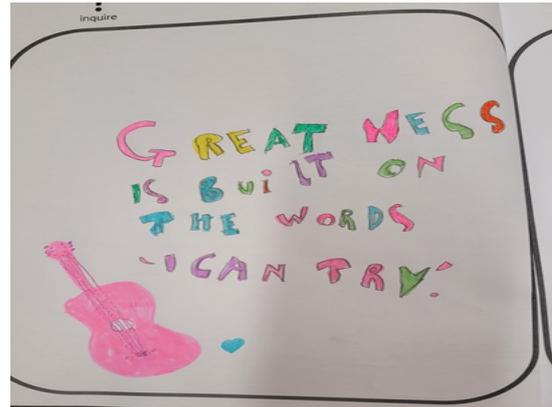
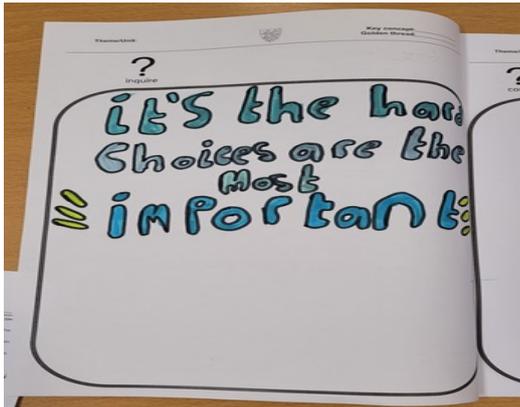
This week Year 4 have started their new History topics - The Anglo-Saxons. They spent the afternoon researching why the Anglo-Saxons invaded Britain and where they came from. They explored the avenues of farming, new homes and the relationships between the Romans and the Anglo-Saxons. This has put us in good stead to look at their settlements in the coming weeks.





Year 5

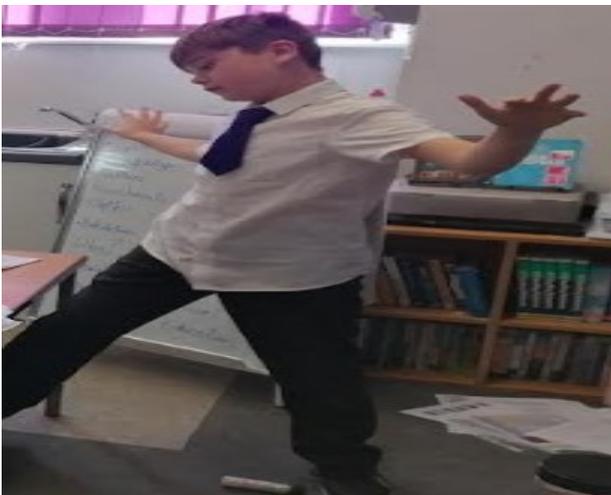
Year 5 have returned from the Easter holidays ready and raring to go. We have started looking at a new book in English and written a piece of dialogue based on the text. In RE we have started looking at the concept of wisdom and created a poster for a piece of wisdom.



Year 6

In Year 6 this week we are looking at how we can enhance our descriptive writing to include atmosphere in a setting. First we analysed some texts and discovered that all of our senses could be used to describe a setting. We then used a drama technique of 'freeze frame' to write some descriptive sentences of our own. Mrs Shepherd asked us to become something in the image, we had to freeze in position and then describe what we were. It was fun and we came up with some fantastic descriptive sentences. Here are some:

- 1) I am a wonderful, vibrant, enchanted flower that lives in the magical forest, feeding the golden little buzzy bees as they zoom around.
- 2) I am a luscious, verdant tree: I provide oxygen and homes for birds.
- 3) I am a colossal, beautiful, majestic castle, which towers above the forest, gleaming in the sun and seeing myself in the mirror-like river. Impressed? I was!! Mrs Shepherd.





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Stars of the week



Mia R	Mia for your amazing writing and willingness to learn
Hugo P	Hugo has shown such interest in the Roald Dahl stories and is always able to remember what happened with such lovely expressions!
Ava W	For working extra hard in Maths this week counting in 5's. For being resilient even when finding it tricky. Well done Ava.
Freddy C	During our Science lessons this week, Freddie used fantastic scientific vocabulary to describe what he had predicted would happen to a seed when one of its needs were not met (no water, sunlight, air or temperature).
Leo B	Leo has really started back brilliantly after the Easter break and has particularly impressed me in Maths this week. He has listened carefully and really challenged himself, making sure he reads questions carefully and puts his best effort into his work. Well done, Leo.
Alden V	This week Alden impressed Mrs Felis with his research skills. He was able to use a search engine to find information about the Anglo-Saxons and why they invaded Britain. He identified the key words he needed and was able to summarise articles and provide a range of interesting facts. Well done Alden!
Lyra D-B	Lyra wrote a fantastic piece of dialogue this week and has shown real enjoyment for her English work this year.
Emma C	This week Emma has shown total commitment to improving her understanding of mathematical concepts that she finds quite challenging. She has asked for extra guidance and has welcomed the support - acting on it and practising the skills needed to solve the problem. Well done and keep it up.



Sports Stars of the Week:

- ★ Freddy C - For hockey and tennis skills—fantastic athletic skills!
- ★ Andreas Z— For hockey and tennis skills—fantastic athletic skills!





Skills builder awards

Listening Skills Builders certificates

Pre School	Luna B
Reception	Nellie N
Yr 1	Penny B
Yr 2	Isabella C
Yr 3	Andreas Z
Yr 4	Jabril A
Yr 5	Carla D
Yr 6	Lucia M-P





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'Preparing children for life in modern Britain'

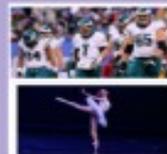
<https://no-outsiders.com/>

Godshill Primary School delivers the No Outsiders assemblies and lessons to help provide an inclusive education, promoting community cohesion to prepare young people and adults for life as global citizens.

Term 5 - Summer 1

Below are the photographs which will inspire the assembly content

KS1 - Years R,1,2



Ideas covered

Elderly, Inclusion, Care, Equality, Friendship, Kindness, British Values

Equality, Individuality, Judgement, Kindness, Inclusion

At Godshill our assemblies are:

Monday - Celebration Assembly (open to parents) - please check newsletter to see if your child has an award

Tuesday - KS1 No outsiders assembly

Wednesday - Whole school singing assembly

Thursday - Headteachers assembly

Friday - KS2 No outsiders assembly

For any more information on the assembly content please come and have a chat at the Reception or make an appointment to see Mrs Smith (PSHE lead)





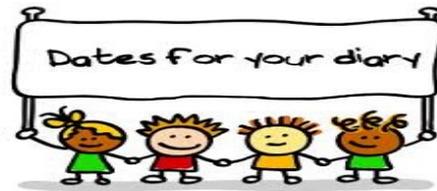
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Nut allergies

Please can we remind you that we are a nut aware school, as we have children with nut allergies & ask that you do **not** send your child in with any foods containing nuts, for example— Peanut Butter, Nutella, Nutty Cereal Bars, Bakewell tart etc. We thank you for your co-operation & support.



Dates for your diary	
Bank Holiday	Mon 6th May
Schools Walk The Wight	Sun 12th May
Year 5 Residential trip	Thu 6-Fri 7th June
Half Term	Mon 27th May—Fri 31st May
Development Day	Mon 24th June
Year 6 Residential	Wed 3rd-Thu 4th July
Inset day	Fri 5th July
Sports Day	Wed 24th July
School summer fayre	
Sports Day reserve date	Thu 25th July

School Meals

All children in Yr. R, 1 & 2 are entitled to free school meals under the Universal Free School Meal scheme. For all other children in Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6 the cost will be **£2.75** per meal (unless your child has Free School Meals) & then they are free. Also from Monday, for Pre-School the cost will be **£2.75**

PE Days

Please send your child into school wearing the correct school PE kit on the following days (unless specifically mentioned otherwise):

- Year R** - Friday
- Year 1** - Monday & Tuesday
- Year 2** - Monday & Tuesday
- Year 3** - Monday & Tuesday
- Year 4** - Monday & Wednesday
- Year 5** - Monday & Tuesday
- Year 6** - Tuesday & Wednesday

Godshill Primary School
Nursery Class

Toddler Sessions

Wednesday Morning
9:00am to 10:30am

Free (parents to stay with their child)

Meet the EYFS staff and enjoy taking part in a wide range of activities as well as sharing our nursery snack time.
Please feel free to show up on the day, or call the school office on : (01983) 840246 to express your interest

Godshill Primary School, School Road, Isle of Wight, PO36 3JL, Tel: 01983 840246, Email: godshill@primaryeducation.co.uk



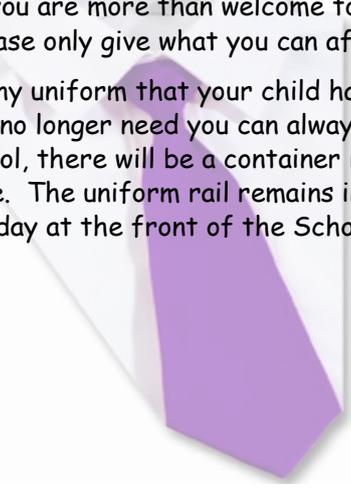


School Uniform

The uniform shop rail has an assortment of short-sleeved shirts, t-shirts, shorts and summer dresses. Please come and take a look. There is no cost involved but you are more than welcome to make a donation. Please only give what you can afford.

If you have any uniform that your child has grown out of or you no longer need you can always donate it to the school, there will be a container in the main entrance. The uniform rail remains in place all day every day at the front of the School office.

Thank you
Mrs Groves



Good news from the inclusion team...

Recently the Supporting Families Team have launched a new website

[IW Family Information Hub \(iow.gov.uk\)](http://iow.gov.uk)

This website will help keep you up to date with the information, support and advice available in your area.

There are lists of organisations, services and activities available to you, that you can access either in person or online.

These include: **Early years and childcare**, **Support for families**, **Housing and finance**, **Learning and employment**, **Health and wellbeing**, **Young people**,



Your Speak out. Stay safe. certificate

Awarded to:
Godshill Primary School

A massive thank you and a big well done to all pupils for being such great listeners and taking part in *Speak out*. Stay safe. with Buddy.

Peter Wanless
Peter Wanless
Chief Executive

Date: June 2023

Thank you for helping to keep more children safe!

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Attendance

Year group	Attendance %
R	97.65
1	96.25
2	98.08
3	97.62
4	95.42
5	98.89
6	94.23
Whole school	96.88
Whole school target	96.00

Why high attendance is important for education

As a parent/carer you want the best for your children. Having a good education is an important factor in opening up more opportunities in adult life. Did you know that:

- a child who is absent a day of school per week misses an equivalent of two years of their school life
- 90% of young people with absence rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades of GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all
- poor examination results limit young people's options and poor attendance suggests to colleges and employers that these students are unreliable

All absence at any stage leads to gaps in your child's learning. This in turn can:

- mean that they fall behind in work
- affect their motivation
- affect their enjoyment of learning
- lead to poor behaviour
- affect their ability to have or keep friendships.

Supporting your child's school attendance

Good school attendance habits are best started early. Children learn from those around them and you as parents/carers set the standards and expectations for your child.

For hints, tips and advice on how you can support your child with their school attendance, check out the website: www.iow.gov.uk/schoolattendance





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Isle of Wight family information hub

Helping families keep up to date with the information, support and advice that is available to them.

- Early years and childcare
- Health and wellbeing
- Housing and finance
- Learning and employment
- Leisure
- SEND Local Offer
- Start for Life and family hubs
- Support for families
- Young people

To find out more visit:
familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk



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