



Dear Parents/Carers,

It is very important to please contact the office by email, or a phone call **everyday** if your child is absent.

You must include your child's symptoms and their reason for being absent.
Thank you.

Mr Snow & Mrs Morgan-Huws.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2025/2026

Spring Term 2026

5th January - 27th March 2026

Half-term 16th February -20th February 2026

Summer Term 2026

13th April—27th July 2026

Half-term 25th May—29th May 2026

DEVELOPMENT DAYS

The school will be closed for a Development day on the following dates:

5th June 2026

22nd June 2026

27th July 2026

TRIPS & OTHER INFORMATION.

23rd April 2026—Year 4 Naturezones Trip

29th April 2026 - Year 3 Naturezones Trip

15th May 2026 - Year 6 End of SATs Celebration

18th May 2026 - Year 6 Trip to UKSA

19th May 2026—Year 3 Royal IW County Show

3rd & 4th June 2026 - Year 6 Trip to London





Long hair in school

Please ensure that if your child has long hair, it is tied up for school every day. This applies to both girls and boys.

Parking Around the School

We are asking that you be considerate and mindful of our neighbours, who surround our school and parking at drop off, and pick up.

Jewellery

Earrings are not to be worn for PE, they need to be removed, either by the child at school, or at home in the morning. Stud earrings only are permitted to be worn in school. If for whatever reason the earrings cannot be removed then they must be covered with tape for PE lessons, which must be provided from home.

Coats in school

With the weather still so changeable at the moment, please ensure that your child brings a coat, named, into school every day.

School Uniform

In the main reception area, there is a second hand uniform rail now with summer dresses and shorts (hopefully the weather is now getting warmer!)

Mrs Groves has more items that cannot be displayed. If you are in need of certain items then please let us know, we will do our very best to try and accommodate you.

Contact Details

If you move house or update any contact details (phone numbers/emails) please remember to let us know via email to the office, to ensure that our records are correct.

Godshill Griffins Childcare

During the Easter holidays our baby unit opened and we have spent time during the last few weeks settling in our newest children to the setting.

We have also spent time over the Easter break revamping our preschool garden for the children which has seen the introduction of a new mud kitchen and a music wall. The children have had lots of fun during this week exploring these new resources.





Reception & Year 1

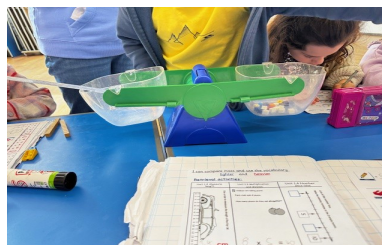
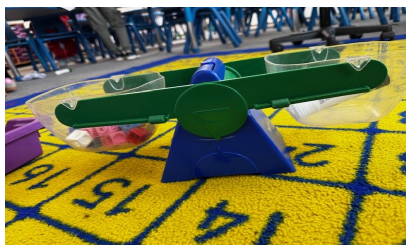
The children have settled back brilliantly after their break. We have started the term by exploring the story of 'Eddie's Garden'.

The children decided that we should have in our own garden and came up with ideas of what we should grow.



Year 1 & 2

Year 1 and 2 have had a fantastic week in Maths learning about measuring mass. We have looked at how to use both balancing scales and weighing scales to find an item's mass. We also set the children a challenge of looking at how mass is displayed on food items within their house and around supermarkets.



Year 3

It has been a great first week back after Easter and the children have got straight back into their learning really well.

In Maths we have been recapping the times tables they have learned so far. We have started our new book in English which is all about plastic pollution and the children have started to think about the different things they can do to help stop plastic from damaging our beautiful Island.

In Science we have started our new unit all about plants and have been remembering what they learned in Year 2.

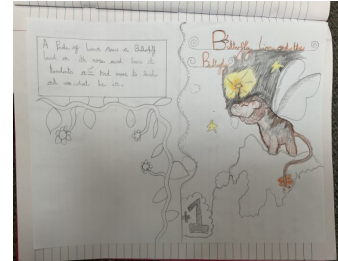
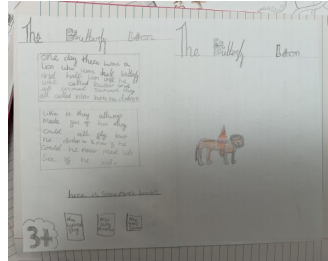
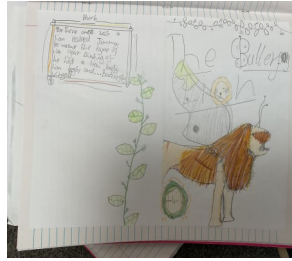
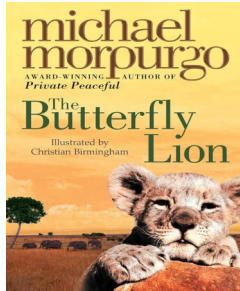




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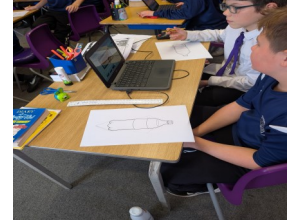
Year 4

The children have come back eager and ready to learn. This half term in English we are using 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo as our key text driver. The children have been making predictions about the book based solely on the name. We have then gone on to read the first three chapters - completely transfixed by this exciting story.



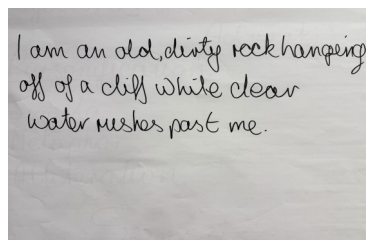
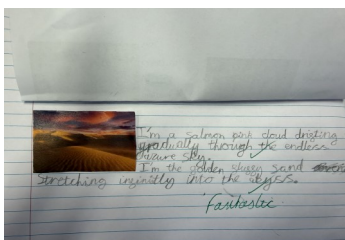
Year 5

This week, Year 5 explored the stars by learning all about NASA's Artemis 2 mission to the Moon! Inspired by the astronauts, the children have become aerospace engineers and started designing their own rockets. Next week, we will bring these blueprints to life and build our designs. Keep an eye out for photos of our finished spacecraft soon!



Year 6

In Year 6 we have watched an animation called 'Taxi-Ride of Passage'. We have used this to inspire both a diary and a settings description. We have been finding out more about 'the heart' in Science and its role within the circulatory system. In Maths we have started revision, beginning with the 4 miles and decimal numbers.





Nut Allergies

Please can we remind you that we are a nut aware school, as we have children with serious 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 you co-operation & support.

PE Days

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

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

Good news from the inclusion team...

Recently the Supporting Families Team have launched a new website

IW Family Information Hub (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**, **Leisure and much more...**



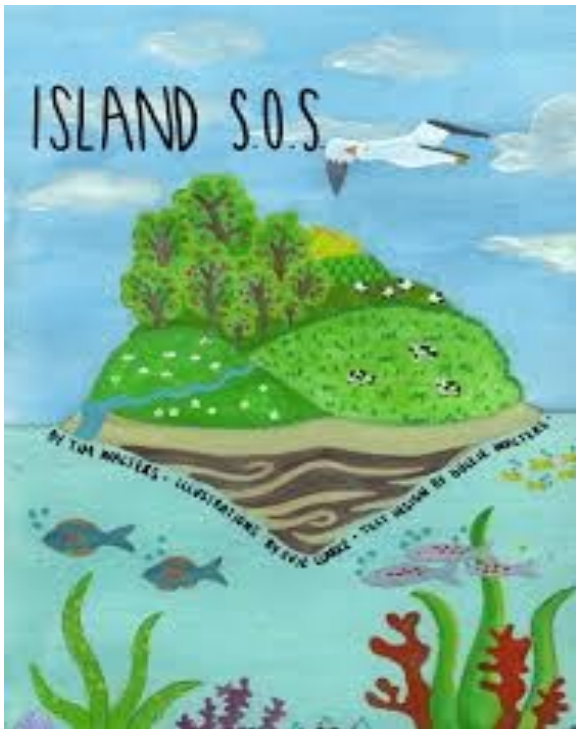


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We had a great visit from local author Tim Walters on Thursday to share his new children's book 'Island SOS' with us. The book theme is 'Two islands on opposite sides of the world. What happens to each of them when humans arrive?'

Tim read the book and then talked with the children about the themes of sustainability, climate action, and what they could do to help.

Each child has the chance to think of actions they will take to help the environment, and help with sustainability and climate change. Remember each of us can make a difference!

Tim shared some ideas with the children, and has explained that children will need to speak with you about any actions they may wish to take. There are some examples of action on the website at www.islandsos.life.

Tim and the school would love to hear what action your child is going to take! Please send any photos or ideas to us and we will pass them on.

If you pre-purchased a copy of the book your child will have brought it home. We hope you enjoy reading it, and discussing the book with them.

If you wish to buy a copy please use the QR code and order a copy.



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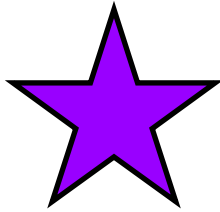
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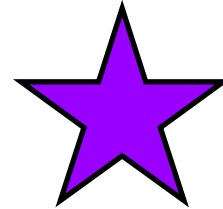


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Year group	Attendance %
R/1	100.00
1/2	96.21
3	96.50
4	96.15
5	93.81
6	92.31
Whole school	95.61
Whole school target	96.00



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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Walk the Wight 2026 - Schools Walk

This year, team Godshill would love to get as many children as possible completing the schools section of Walk the Wight (the final four miles). Mr. Knight has registered to do the entire walk and endeavours to meet the children for the school start point for the final section.

For more information and a direct link to how to register your child for FREE please see the link below.

<https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/SchoolsWalktheWight2026>

Let's get as many children, parents, four legged friends and family members as possible taking apart in such a fantastic event for CHARITY.

Founded by Sir Bradley and Frank Stevens

Walk the Wight with Mountbatten

Sponsored by: RED FUNNEL, sky, BRIGHT FUTURE FOUNDATION

Isle of Wight AWARDS 2025 GOLD AWARD BEST ISLAND EVENT

Sunday, 10 May 2026

Sign-up now: mountbatten.org.uk

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