



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.

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

20th May & 1st July 2026 - YR5 Sailing at Seaview

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

25th June 2026 - Sports Day (more info to follow nearer the time)





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 this week the preschool children have been busy in the garden hunting bugs, fascinated by all the creatures they have found. We've then been linking books and stories to the different insects we have found.

Our younger children have been exploring tuff trays with different coloured cereal hoops and mark making on the newly painted chalk board with the different coloured chalks.





Reception & Year 1

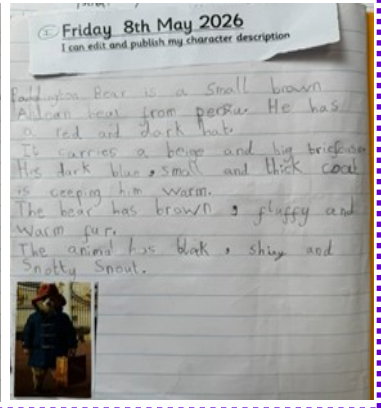
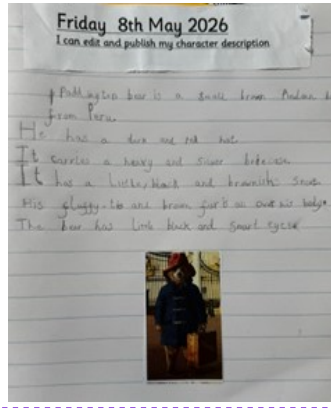
We have had a wonderful week exploring and constructing in our outside area. The children have been working together and solving problems to make their creations just how they wanted them.



Year 1 & 2

This week the children have worked incredibly hard to use and apply all of the writing skills we have been learning over the past half term.

We have done this within a character description of Paddington Bear. Each and every child has produced a fantastic piece of writing and from the examples below you will see the quality that we are now producing.



Year 3

It has been a busy week in Year 3 with lots of learning happening. In Maths, we have been recapping different types of line and shapes, really trying to make sure that we remember key terms of parallel and perpendicular.

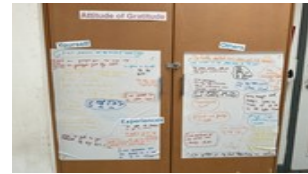
In Science we have been continuing our investigations into plants and this week it was all around water transportation.





Year 4

After our most recent My Happy Mind session, we have been considering how we can make gratitude a part of our daily lives. Children decided how to incorporate it into our day at school. They each identified where they could talk about what they were grateful for with adults, and family members, at home everyday too. Children have learnt that making an effort to identify what you are grateful for each day rewires the neural pathways in your brain, so that it will start to happen automatically and can lead to a more positive interpretation of the world around them.



Year 5

Year 5 had an exhilarating week balancing adventure on the water with creativity in the classroom! After mastering the waves during their **sailing sessions**, the children returned to land to craft atmospheric setting descriptions inspired by *Boy in the Tower*. They've done a brilliant job using sensory details to bring the eerie, crumbling world of Ade's London to life.



Year 6

Year 6 have been very busy reading and analysing poetry, practising various spelling rules and learning aspects of algebra and ratio to help us next week. We have started to write a leaflet about how to care for a dragon, using various sentence structures and including explanations - not just a set of instructions.





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.

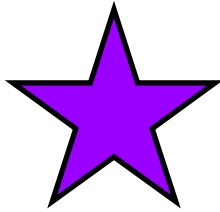
These include: **Early years and childcare**, **Support for families**, **Housing and finance**, **Learning and employment**, **Health and wellbeing**, **Young people**, **Leisure and much more...**



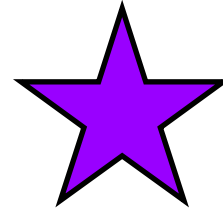


NEWSLETTER

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Year group	Attendance %
R/1	95.59
1/2	99.14
3	98.75
4	98.56
5	92.86
6	89.42
Whole school	95.77
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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1st	Newchurch Primary	£1088.75
2nd	Carisbrooke CE Primary	£920.00
3rd	Lanesend Primary	£866.00
4th	Godshill Primary	£788.75
5th	Nine Acres Primary	£656.25

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