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Dear Parents/Carers,

From September 2025, eligible working parents will be able to access 30 hours of funded childcare a week, for 38 weeks of the year, starting from the term after their child turns 9 months old until they begin school.

On Monday 12 May, all eligible working parents of children who will be at least nine months old on or before 31 August will now be able to apply for their 30 hours childcare.



To promote the working entitlements parents are reminded to get their code and to visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to find out more about the support available to them.

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Hats and sunscreen

With the ongoing warm weather, can we please ask that you send your child to school with a hat and long lasting sun cream (applied before school).

Many thanks.

Upcoming diary dates:

Thursday 22nd May-FROGS disco

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd June—Year 6 Residential

Tuesday 5th June — Swimming lessons start for Year 5 & 6

Friday 6th June Someone Special shop (Father's Day)

Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th June—Year 5 Residential trip







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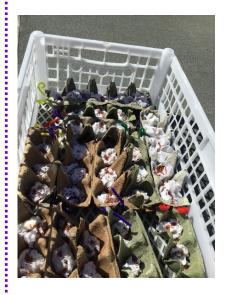


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Pre-school

This week in preschool the children have been busy planting seeds and taking care of our flowers. We have planted cress seeds for the children to take home in the coming weeks. Our sunflowers have started to grow.









Reception

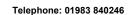
We have loved sharing the story of Jack and the Beanstalk this week. The children have had a great time creating a classroom beanstalk and also creating their own beanstalks with the resources in the classroom.











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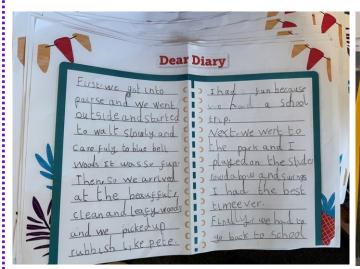


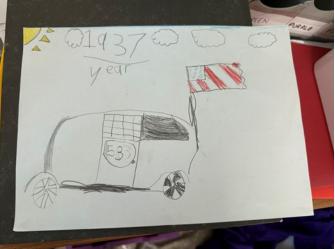
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Year 1 & 2

Year 1 and 2 have worked really hard this week. They have looked at time connectives and have written their final write of their recount of our trip to the woods. Year 1's have been looking at their number bonds in maths and how they can use them while working out how much different objects cost. Year 2 has been looking at fractions of different amounts.

In History Year 1 and 2 have looked at the timeline of automobiles and made their own timeline. In Science we have looked at different plants and that plants are not just flowers. The children then did a plant hunt around the school and looked at the different features. Well done Year 1 and 2 you all have been superstars!!













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Year 3



It has been a great week in Year 3, with some amazing weather to accompany our learning. In Maths, we have been looking at 3-D shapes and their properties, making sure we understand the vocabulary of faces, edges and vertices. In English, the children have been finishing their pet care guide based on our book "The Barnabas Project," making sure they use paragraphs for the different sections. In Science, the children have been carefully observing their plants each day to check to see what is happening to the parts that are not exposed to the air.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have mummified tomatoes in History. They have removed the tomatoes 'organs', filled them with a salt mixture and wrapped them in bandages. Each week we will check to see if they need more salt to further dry them out.









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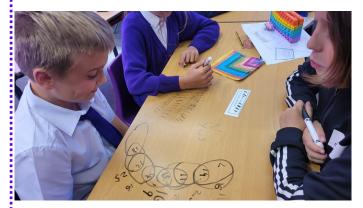
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Year 5

It has been a busy week in Year 5 this week and they have shown great responsibility and great etiquette when working in the hall to support Year 6 SATs. In History, we looked at evacuees during WW2 and how they were evacuated through operation Pied Piper.





Year 6

Year 6 have been absolutely amazing this week. They have all done themselves, and you, proud, tackling a variety of questions and doing it without complaint - I do think the breakfast helped though!!!!! We have decided on our school production and have begun to allocate and audition for parts. We also had a lovely Thursday afternoon where we painted our sunset cityscapes. But most importantly, we are really looking forward to our pub breakfast and then bowling.















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Stars of the week



Stars of the week			
Arielle F	For trying new foods and for preserving with challenges.		
Mia R	Mia has shown real focus this week in all her work. She has been a kind friend and has been a special ray of sunshine in the class.		
Eric J	For trying really hard with his sentences in English and preserving even when he found it a bit tricky. Well done Eric.		
Theo P	For being amazing and helping in computing. Well done Theo!		
Henry C	Henry is a great member of the class who is always putting his best effort into his work. He has amazing manners and is such a great ambassador for Year 3 - well done and keep it up.		
Lily M-L	Lily has been working really hard on her timestables and is making some fantastic progress. Well done Lily!		
Alden V	Created a fantastic vocal composition in music through considered instruction of his group.		
Lola M	Lola this week has been a real pleasure to have in class. Her hilarious sense of humour, alongside her excellent attitude and focus in learning, has resulted in her being our star of the week.		

🕏 Sports Stars of the Week:

KS1 Eden—Year 1 - fantastic throwing and jumping skills in PE.

KS2 Esme W—Year 6 - brilliant fielding and batting skills in cricket.









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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 you coperation & 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

Dates for your diary			
Frogs Summer Disco	Thursday 22nd May		
Year 6 Residential trip	Monday 2nd & Tues- day 3rd June		
Someone Special shop (Father's Day)	Friday 6th June		
Year 5 Residential trip	Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th June		
Development Day	Monday 23rd June		
Development Day	Friday 11th July		
Sports day	Wednesday 23rd July		
Development Day	Monday 28th July		
Development Day	Tuesday 29th July		

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.

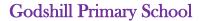
There are lists of organisations, services and activities available to you, that you can access either in person or online.

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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Attendance



Year group	Attendance %
R	98.75
1	91.58
2	93.16
3	99.29
4	92.96
5	95.38
6	99.26
Whole school	95.93
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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SENDIASS

Isle of Wight Drop in Sessions

- Free impartial and confidential advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- · Peer support, talking to others who may be experiencing a similar journey
- Free beverages and biscuits

12:30 - 14:30 **Newport Family Centre** PO30 2AX

16:00 - 18:00 Cowes Family Centre **PO31 7ET**

25 JUNE

09:30 - 11:30 Ryde Family Centre PO33 2JF

12:30 - 14:30 East Cowes Family Centre **PO32 6PA**

JULY

12:30 - 14:30 **Newport Family Centre** PO30 2AX

16:00 - 18:00 West Wight Family Centre PO40 9XH

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09:30 - 11:30 Sandown Family Centre PO36 9EO

11:30 - 14:30 Ventnor Family Centre **PO38 1EX**

No booking required

Any questions email: info@iowsendiass.org.uk

A huge thank you to Barnardo's Family Hubs for the use of their family centres for our in-person sessions across the island.





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