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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

8th May 2026 - Year 6 Trip to UKSA

June 2026 - Year 6 Trip to London



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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.

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

The children have had a very busy week where we have seen glimpses of the sunshine and we hope this continues into the Easter break.

We have been very creative making lots of use of the junk modelling to build some interesting structures as well as building lots of extremely tall towers with the wooden bricks.

We would like to thank everyone at Godshill Primary School and the wider school community who have made us feel very welcome during this busy half term.

As we look forward our baby unit opens on the 30th March where we will introduce younger children into our school community.



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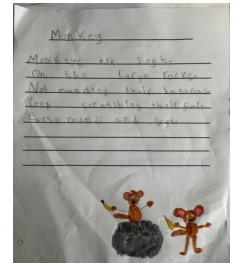
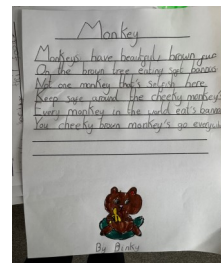
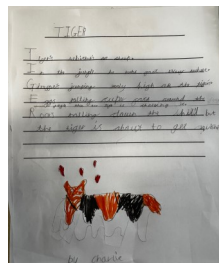
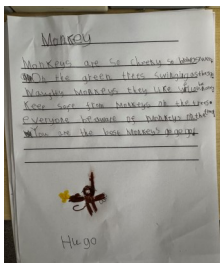
Reception & Year 1

The children enjoyed an afternoon of creative craft and maths which was focused around the Easter topic. They took part in an Easter egg hunt where they had to use clues from inside the eggs to fill the pom-pom jar. Afterwards, the children then were able to design their own Easter egg, which they have since taken home.



Year 1 & 2

Their poems are finished! Take a moment to read through some of the fantastic examples of the children's acrostic poems that they have enjoyed creating this week! A massive thank you must go to Mrs Whitewood and Miss Parkman who supported the children in editing their writing on Thursday.



Year 3

It has been a great last week before we break up for the Easter holidays. In English, the children have been busy writing their short narratives based on the book we have been reading. Their writing was focused on using paragraphs, direct speech and descriptive language. In Maths, we have been looking at the area of statistics and recapping pictograms and bar charts.

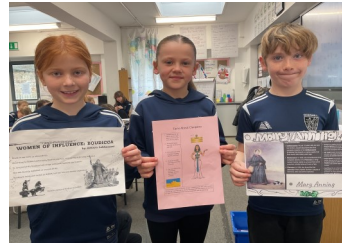
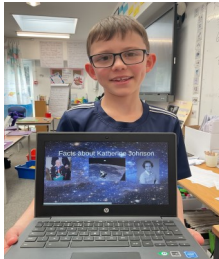




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Year 4

This week children have been bringing in their home learning projects based on our history topic 'Women of Influence: What makes a trailblazer?' Children have shown incredible research and presentation skills. They have loved sharing the facts that they have found, and explaining what they believe makes each woman of influence a trailblazer.



Year 5

Year 5 have had a truly fantastic time at PGL Osmington Bay! We were incredibly proud to watch them push their limits and cheer each other on as they conquered abseiling, the Big Swing, and the trapeze. They will be returning home a little exhausted but with memories that will last a lifetime.



Year 6

This week Year 6 have written a diary in role. We watched the animation 'Alma', discussed her changing emotions throughout her day and then wrote our diary entries. In Maths, we have been analysing, interpreting and drawing various graphs. We were also fortunate this week to spend some time with the new 'hatchlings' in Reception class.





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.

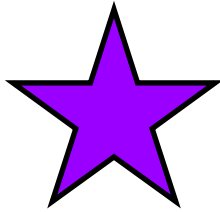
These include: **Early years and childcare**, **Support for families**, **Housing and finance**, **Learning and employment**, **Health and wellbeing**, **Young people**, **Leisure and much more...**



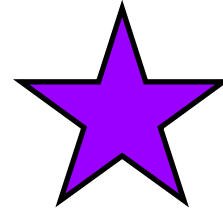


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Year group	Attendance %
R/1	88.82
1/2	98.28
3	96.00
4	94.62
5	95.00
6	89.62
Whole school	94.00
Whole school target	96.00



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

Sunday, 10 May 2026

Isle of Wight AWARDS by the **GOLD AWARD** BEST ISLAND EVENT 2023, 2024 & 2025

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Author Visit - Tim Walter - Island SOS book



We are delighted that local author Tim Walters will be coming to school on **Thursday 16 April** 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 will read the book and then talk with the children about the themes of sustainability, climate action, and what they could do to help.

You can view the book at www.islandsos.life

If you would like to purchase a copy of the book in advance at a reduced price of £4.75, please send the money in an envelope marked 'Island SOS' and your child's name. Your child will receive their copy on the visit day. Tim will also be in the school hall at the end of the day if you wish to purchase a copy (exact cash or card accepted).



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