

## Rainbow Raffle – wear your year group colour on Friday

Dear Parents and Carers,



### Wear your Year Group Colour

Next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October our PTFA are organising a rainbow raffle. Please could your child dress in the colour of their year group? Reception are **purple** Year 1 are **pink** Year 2 are **blue** Year 3 are **green** Year 4 are **yellow** Year 5 are **orange** Year 6 are **red**

The idea is that your child wears their year group colour and brings in an item of that colour too. Once the children have brought the items in, then the PTFA will take a coloured item from each year and make up hampers, which will be raffled. The rainbow raffle will be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Please do not bring in perishable items and if you are donating alcohol please bring it in yourselves and not with the children. If your child does not have the right colour clothes for their year group please don't worry. They can wear colourful non-school uniform of your choice. Please see page two of this newsletter for ideas.

### Healthy Lunch Boxes

Our Olympic visitor, Robert Mitchell reminded us about the importance of healthy eating this week. I would like to encourage you to encourage your children to eat the school dinners. I have one every day and can vouch for the fact that they are delicious as well as being well balanced and nutritious. If you choose to send your child with a packed lunch, please ensure they are healthy. Here are some ideas for you to keep your child's packed lunch healthy.



## LUNCHBOX IDEAS

with BBC Bitesize



Here's some inspiration if you want to make more than sandwiches for your child's lunch...

<p><b>Cheese and ham pancakes</b> with cucumber slices and chopped tomatoes</p> <p>Favourite fruit choice</p>	<p><b>Grated carrot and hummus wraps</b> with carrot sticks</p> <p>Yoghurt</p>	<p><b>Easy chow mein</b></p> <p>Cheese and crackers</p>	<p><b>Chicken goujons</b> with corn on the cob or tinned sweetcorn and a bread roll</p> <p>Plain scone with sliced strawberries</p>	<p><b>Tinned salmon roll ups</b> with sliced pepper sticks</p> <p>Oaty bar</p>
<p><b>Vegetable and egg fried rice</b></p> <p>Apple slices with fromage frais</p>	<p><b>Tuna and sweetcorn pasta</b></p> <p>Favourite fruit choice</p>	<p><b>Cheese sandwich</b> with cucumber sticks and a hummus dip</p> <p>Slice of fruit bread</p>	<p><b>Chicken and tomato pastry smiles</b> with carrot sticks and a pot of peas</p> <p>Melon fingers</p>	<p><b>Spicy tortilla nests</b> with chopped tomatoes</p> <p>Natural yoghurt topped with raisins and oats</p>
<p><b>Wholemeal pitta pizza</b> with toppings of your choice</p> <p>Tinned peaches with natural yoghurt</p>	<p><b>Meaty family frittata (omelette)</b></p> <p>Natural yoghurt</p>	<p><b>Mixed bean and melted cheese wrap</b> with tomatoes and a small pot of peas</p> <p>Scotch pancake with any chopped fruit</p>	<p><b>Easy kid's fishcakes</b> with lettuce leaves and celery</p> <p>Nut free energy balls</p>	<p><b>Lunchbox tapas:</b> Sliced pitta bread, hard-boiled egg, low fat cheddar sticks, pepper sticks and cream cheese dip</p> <p>Favourite fruit choice</p>

GF Gluten free  
V Vegetarian

Remember lunches with perishable items should be kept in a cool bag or in the fridge

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# RAINBOW RAFFLE

## DONATION IDEAS

These are just ideas... All donations are welcome!

YEAR 6  
RED

Red Wine, Malteser, Budwiser Beer, McVities Digestives, Ready Salted Crisps, Family Circle Biscuits, Kit Kats, Skittles, Pimms, Celebrations, Bournville Chocolate, Pombears, Munchies, Red toiletries, Red Candle.

YEAR 5  
ORANGE

Chocolate Orange, Orange Gin, Haribo Tangfastics, Fudge, Revels, Toffee Crisp, Orange Clubs, Mini Cheddars, Bucks Fizz, Orange Fanta, J20, Doritos, Orange Car Air Freshener, Orange Toiletries, Orange Candle, Orange Stationary, Orange Juice/Squash.

YEAR 4  
YELLOW

Lemon Gin, Cadbury Flakes, Cadbury Caramel, Toblerone, Skips, Custard Creams, Jelly Babies, Quavers, Lemon Fanta, Mr Kipling Lemon Slices, Jelly Tots, Yellow Candle, Yellow Toiletries, Yellow Toy Car, Yellow Book.

YEAR 3  
GREEN

Gordon's Gin, Heineken beer, Mint Chocolates, Mint Aero, Matchmakers, After Eights, Appetizer, Apple Juice, Fruit Pastilles, Sour Cream Pringles, Green Toiletries, Green Candle, Green Toy.

YEAR 2  
BLUE

Mermaid Gin, Roses Chocolates, Fosters Beer, Party Rings, Haribo, Oreos, Milky Bars, Chocolate Hobnobs, Doritos, Tetley Tea, Bounty, Cheese and Onion Crisps, Blue Car Air Freshener, Blue Football, Crispy M&M's

YEAR 1  
PINK

Pink Fizz, Rose Wine, Marshmallows, Pink Gin, Raspberry Laces, Pink Wafers, Strawberry Eucellas, Pink Bath Bomb, Nail Varnish, Loveheart Sweets, Pink Toiletries, Fruit Mentos

RECEPTION  
PURPLE

Quality Streets, Dairy Milk, Cadbury's Hot Chocolate, Chocolate Fingers, Ribena, Vimto, Parma Violet Sweets, Heroes Chocolates, Purple Candle, Purple Bath Bomb,

EXTRA IDEAS – Vouchers and gift cards in coloured envelopes, Novelty Accessories (Halloween or Christmas), Books for kids and grown ups, Small toys or teddies



## Reception Photos

In a change to the normal, schools were asked to submit their own photos for the County Press New Starters section. Luckily we have our own resident photographer, Mr Cox, who was able to take these photos of both classes. Prints can be obtained by contacting Mr Cox on [douglas.cox@sky.com](mailto:douglas.cox@sky.com) or 07801843830.



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## Out & About

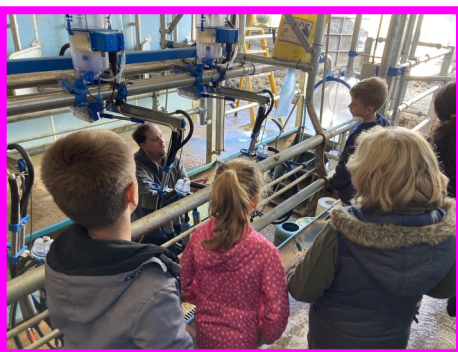
On Tuesday morning the **Year 1** Out and About group visited Borthwood Copse. They continued their learning on the senses as they listened to the trees and birds, hunted for leaves with different textures and looked for signs of Autumn. The children made their own beautiful Autumn wreaths using leaves they collected in the forest.



Next half term the children in **Year 3** will be learning about Pre-history and the Stone Age. In Out and About on Tuesday afternoon a group of Year 3s walked up to the Longstone at Mottistone, a Neolithic burial ground. We started thinking about what life would have been like on the Isle of Wight during the Stone Age and how people would have lived. The children had lots of energy and ran up the hill from Mottistone Manor!



Our last **Year 4** Out and About group had the opportunity to visit Briddlesford Farm on Wednesday morning. The children had a brilliant tour of the farm, learning about the running of the dairy farm and feeding the calves. They had a look at the brand new milking parlour and the farmer explained how it all worked. The children were even lucky enough to meet a newborn calf that had just been born.





As part of their Science work, the children in Year 2 have been learning about what living things need to survive and identifying whether objects are alive, dead or never been alive. On Wednesday afternoon the Out and About team from 2GC went to Firestone Copse. They enjoyed hunting for (living) mini beasts, finding dead leaves to create leaf rubbings and identifying objects and living things around the forest.



In Out and About after-school club the clan had fun at Carisbrooke Castle! They enjoyed walking up to the Keep, meeting the donkeys, learning about the past inhabitants and talking to a Gunman about the different canons that would have been used to defend the castle.



**Out and About next week...**

Please wear old play clothes (eg. leggings, joggers or jeans, long sleeved T-shirt and jumper or fleece) and bring a warm, waterproof coat with you.

**Year 1 - 1CE Tuesday am** *Visiting the forest - wear wellies*

Adeline, Esmee, Archie, Bayley, Bonnie, James, Riley, Maddie, Ella, Nimalan, Johnny and Annie.

**Year 3 - 3PT Tuesday pm** *Walking at Mottistone - wear wellies or walking boots*

Connor, Eliana, Matthew, Abigail, Florence, Emily H, Tyson, Elsie-May, Logan, Sophia-Leigh, Jack Puzey, Leon, Archie and Léon.

**Year 4 - 4AH Wednesday am** *Beach sand sculptures - wear wellies*

Su, Harrison, Sophie, Max, Mason, Jacob, Vincent, Maya, Zoe, Sarah, Tommy, Amelia, Sadie, Jude and Grace.

**Year 2 - 2GC Wednesday pm** *Woodland walk - wear wellies*

Emily-May, Ben, Mia-Rose, Oscar G, Harry G, Oscar H, Cooper, Ruben, Jacob, Paloma, Harvey, Fletcher, Tula, River and Rhys.

**Year 2 - 2KA Wednesday** *PE activities during PPA. Please come to school in PE kit*

Christopher, Tyler, Lily, Caiden, Dylan, Malaika, Logan E, Logan F, Tilly, Katelyn, Ella R, Freddie, Ella S, Alfie and Keian-Lee.



# What's for dinner next week?

(Remember all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children are entitled to Free School dinners.)



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni Cheese	Allegra's Chicken Filo Pie with Mashed Potato	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Bolognese	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips
Vegetable Burrito Wrap	Allegra's BBQ Beans served with Cornbread	Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Butternut Squash and Tomato Bake with Rice	Meat-free Nuggets and Chips
Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Peas and Broccoli	Carrots and Cabbage	Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Baked Beans and Peas
Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream	Brownie	Shortbread Biscuit with Fruit Slices	Berry & Peach Oaty Crumble with Custard	Orange, Sultana & Carrot Cake Slice

Please note that all meals are subject to change due to availability of produce.

## Nut Free School

Please can I remind you that we have some children with severe nut allergies so please ensure there are no products containing nuts in lunch boxes. Many thanks

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th October - Scopay online booking opens for Parents and Carers consultation evenings

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October break up for the half term holiday at 3 pm

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November children return to school at 8.40 am

Monday 1st November Scopay online booking for Parents and Carers consultation evening closes at 12 noon

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 3:15 – 5:00 Parents and carers consultation evening

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November 3:30 – 7.00 Parents and carers consultation evening

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November No Pens Day – spoken language only

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9:30 Reception Nativity show to parents

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December Christmas dinner day

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Carol Service in St James Church (tbc)

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Party day – children off timetable and in mufti

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December break up the Christmas holiday at 3 pm

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December INSET day

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December day off for all in lieu of the Queen's birthday

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 INSET day

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 children return to school at 8.40 am



Earlier in the week, the school welcomed Olympic Athlete (high jumper) Robert Mitchell into school. He led each class through a series of physical exercises before conducting two exciting assemblies about his career, his resilience and determination. He was a real source of inspiration and he engaged with both the children and the staff really well.



What do you do when you're calm corner display falls down?

Get a 6ft 5inch Olympic high jumper to put it back up of course!



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## Benji Blog

Benji's area is developing well and he continues to look forward to working with the children.

Benji has been a little busier recently but is looking forward to Mrs Jeffers starting after half term when he will get his timetable up and running again.



## QUEENSGATE SPORT ROUNDUP



Ten teams took part in the regional group of the IOW Tag Rugby competition on Thursday.



Queensgate were in group one. They started with a 2-2 draw against Gurnard before beating Holy Cross 3-1, Northwood 4-0, Bembridge B 4-1 and Lanesend 3-1. This meant the team won their group by scoring more tries. In the semi-final, the team beat Wootton 4-2. So to the final against Bembridge; in a very close game, the team were just pipped 2-1, thanks to a wonderful solo try. However, both Bembridge and Queensgate qualify for the IOW final later in the term. Well done too to Miss Radcliffe for coaching this team so well

and quickly this term and to the parents who came to support.

Under 11 Girls football; the team played two matches with varying results. Firstly, the team took on Lanesend in the league and gained a narrow but deserved 1-0 win. However, in the cup, they came up against a very good Oakfield team and lost 0-4 but it was no disgrace and the team kept playing right to the end.



## Love reading?

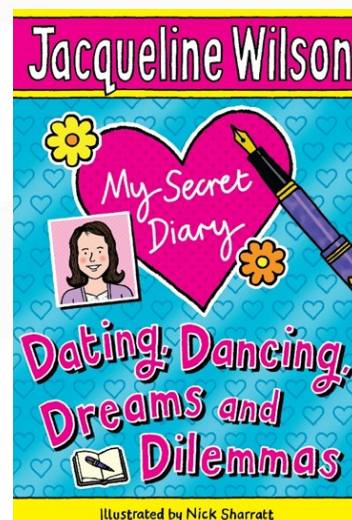
## Then try this....

Layla in 6TS absolutely loves reading and she reads all of the time! Lately she has been reading *My Secret Diary – Dating, Dancing, Dreams and Dilemmas* by Jacqueline Wilson and she thinks it's a fantastic book.

This book is the diary of the well-known author of Tracy Beaker, Jacqueline Wilson. It describes her life at school and how much reading meant to her as she grew up. It's a really interesting book as it's mostly non-fiction. However, the author has added a few bits of story in because she's such a good story teller.

Layla found out lots of fun facts about Jacqueline Wilson. Did you know that she had three best friends at school? We won't give any more away – you will need to read this fabulous book to find out more!

We'd love to know what you are reading at home. If you have any reading recommendations, please let us know so we can share it here.





## Parents and Carers Evenings

We are holding parents and carers' evenings face to face this time round. We are very much looking forward to seeing you all. The dates are Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November between 3:10 pm and 4:50 pm and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November between 3:30 pm and 6:50 pm. Please note that 5 RA have slightly different times and will be offering some extra slots on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November too.

Booking will go live on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 6pm and will close on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November at midday. You book through your Scopay account. If you are unable to attend, please arrange an alternative meeting with your child's class teacher through their class email. We aim to see every child's parents or carers, as we believe that working together is very important to your child's education. Please remember to **chat, play and read** with your child daily.

## Be Kind Programme

Your child may start talking about the Be Kind Programme. It is a project we are running encouraging the children to be kind through working with Benji. Have a look.

<https://wildatheartfoundation.org/be-kind-resources/>

## School Council

Our newly formed School Council will be meeting for the first time next Wednesday and they will be thinking about developing a sensory area and shed within school.

## London Marathon

Mr Graeme Wood, father of Grace in 3PT, entered the London Marathon. He finished in the very impressive time of 3:23:46.



## Halloween Sweet Treat



A stall will be run by the PTFA on the **last day of term** - hopefully outside at the bottom of the main path out to Beatrice Avenue, however, if it is wet then it will be held in mobile on the back playground.

Remember to bring some pennies to buy some goodies and help support the school!

## Book Bags

Please remember that book bags should be brought into school every day now, but particularly on home work days. Thanks for your support.

**Whole school attendance 94.58%.**

Remember that good attendance will help your child to succeed at school.

**This week 5RA achieved 97.2% attendance! Well done.**

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher

**Starlit Trail**

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**Friday, 15 October, 6pm-8pm**  
**Ventnor Botanic Garden**

Join us for an illuminated walk through the beautiful botanic gardens with live entertainment and some surprises along the way!

Adult: £15 | Child: £10 | Family of four: £35

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## WTW FAMILY EMPLOYMENT ADVICE SERVICE

This project is part funded by the  
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Are you a lone parent or from a troubled family, aged 18 years+ and are considering your options of returning to paid or unpaid work but don't know where to start?

Our FEAS Employment Advisor will deliver a person centred 1-1 support service in a friendly environment at Tidal Family Support Centre in Ryde, to help you identify the best pathway for you in returning to paid/unpaid work, to seek voluntary placements, or advice on training opportunities.

This free service will be delivered in an holistic manner, taking into account all the logistics that need to be put in to place before even leaving your home. We even offer free childcare at Tidal Family Support for the duration of your appointment with your Employment Advisor!

For more information please e-mail:  
[FEAS@oseliow.org.uk](mailto:FEAS@oseliow.org.uk) where we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

The West Wight Mission Community  
are pleased to present ...  
at St Mary's Church, Brighstone PO30 4QH  
On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 2.00pm

**ST MARY'S-IOW**  
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**FLORENCE**  
AND THE MERMAID'S TEARS

TUE 26TH OCT 14:00

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The Adventures of Florence and the Mermaid's Tears is a mini Musical, written specially for Portsmouth, family-friendly and climate relevant

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