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Queensgate Foundation
Primary School



Mufti Day on Friday

Dear Families,

Year 4 School Journey

Here are some pictures from our Year 4 team. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed their time at Kingswood.



Mufti Day on Friday

The School Council usually does three lots of fundraising each year: one for Queensgate, one for a local or national charity and one for an international cause. Next **Friday 3rd May** the School Council has decided to raise funds for Ukraine. Ideally, School Council Reps would like the children to wear their pyjamas to school. If not yellow and blue are the colours of the Ukrainian flag and that would be good too. Please send in at least £1, but as much as you can spare to go to Ukraine.



Friday 3rd May

Minimum Donation:

£1.00

All the money raised will be donated to families in Ukraine to help them buy food, clothing and other essentials they may not have due to the war.

Designed by Lily Hailley-Dixon

PTFA Plant Sale



On **Friday 24th May** the PTFA will be holding a plant sale on the front lawn. Please could you bear this in mind as we enter the growing season and if you have any spare plants or vegetable plants please let the PTFA have them on the morning of **Friday 24th May**. Don't worry I will send reminders!

School Reorganisation

As you are probably aware the Isle of Wight has too many schools for the number of children and some schools need to close. We find out which schools this affects on 12th September. I have put all the information from the Local Authority on our website. You can find it at this link:

[School Place Planning | Queensgate Foundation Primary \(queensgateprimary.co.uk\)](http://queensgateprimary.co.uk)

Sports Leaders

If your child is a sports leader be sure to ask them about assemblies next week, which they are leading.

Coaching for Year 6 Students

Next **Tuesday 30th April** I have employed a coach, called Aaron Francis, to work with our Year 6 children about growth mindset and believing that they can, in preparation for their exams in May.

5RA Parents' Evenings

When we had our spring term parents' evenings Mrs Adams was off school recovering from an operation. We would now like to offer families with children in 5RA a chance to catch up with how your child is getting on at school. Mrs Adams will be available after school on **Tuesday 30th April, Thursday 2nd May** and **Friday 3rd May**. Please book your time slot on Scopay in the normal way; bookings are open now and close Monday 29th April at 12:00 noon.

Year 1 Trip to Osborne House

On **Thursday 2nd May** Year 1 will be visiting Osborne House as part of their science studies. They are looking at how things grow.

PTFA Meeting

On **Friday 3rd May** there will be a PTFA meeting at 1:30pm in the school Dining Room. Please come along if you can and help plan the summer term fund-raising events.

Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that **Monday 6th May** is a Bank Holiday and Queensgate will be shut that day.

Advance Warning

A couple of dates for your diary for the following week.

On **Tuesday 7th May**, Year 5 will be going to the Science Museum in Winchester. The trip is being run as part of the children's Out and About programme.

On **Thursday 9th May** we have a special visitor in school called Jamie Knight. He is a free-style footballer. Jamie will be selling footballs after school on 9th May between 3pm and 3:25pm.

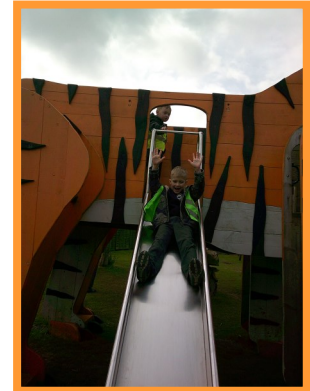
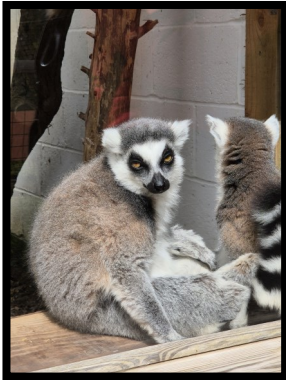
A bird sitting on a tree
is never afraid of the branch
breaking, because her trust is
not on the branch but on it's
own wings. Always believe
in yourself.



Year 2 trip to Wildheart Animal Sanctuary

Yesterday we visited Wildheart Trust Animal Sanctuary. I was so excited to go there because I'd never gone there before! First Emma told us about a black code and it was really funny because we were doing "freeze". Then after I felt curious and we went to see the meerkats. I was delighted to see them. After that we went to see the tigers and lions. The tigers jumped up to get their food. It was really fun watching them! We also saw workers taking a goat out on a walk.

By Poppy G-K (2KG)



Working together for a successful future

Out and About

The second **Reception** Out and About group had the opportunity to ride on the train on Tuesday! The children loved the adventure, boarding the train at Ryde Esplanade (after watching the hovercraft come into Ryde), then hopping off at Brading for a snack and some stories on the platform, before heading back. Not many of the children had been on the electric train before and they really enjoyed the experience. We were chaperoned by Matt, the guard, who explained how the train works, important features of the train and how we need to stay safe when travelling.



“We went on a train and got to push the buttons to open and close the doors.” Leo RSD

“We went on the train to Brading from Ryde and we went past my nana’s house.” Dylan RSD

On Tuesday afternoon the **Year 5** Out and About team visited Bonchurch to take part in the solar system trail. The group walked along the seafront, towards Ventnor, reading information about each planet. Using sports balls, the children discussed the comparative size of each planet and recalled the planets in order and shared key facts.

“We went to Ventnor to look at the Solar System display boards. We went from Bonchurch towards Ventnor learning about all the planets. We held different balls to show how big the planets would be compared to each other. My favourite part was when everyone took it in turns to read about the planets and line up in order of closest to the sun.” Tyson 5TS



This half term, our **Year 4** children will be studying the book *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba. To tie in with their work on wind power, the Out and About group visited the 300 year old windmill at Bembridge. The children learnt about the history of the windmill and had a go at sketching it. The group then used compasses and OS maps to navigate a short walk around the area, looking at key symbols on the map.

“We drew the windmill and then walked down a massive path. We went through the woods- we heard a cockerel. I led the group, we had to use compasses and maps. My best but was drawing the windmill.” Jesse 4MC



This week our **6TM** Out and About group went orienteering in Firestone Copse. The group challenged themselves to locate orienteering markers in the northern half of the forest first, deciding on their route together. They were keen to get muddy and (unsurprisingly) discovered some very muddy paths that they just had to cross, with Sarah getting her welly stuck in the mud! The children managed to find 11 markers before having to head back to school. Huge well done to Joe, Su, Archie, Zoe and Sarah who were all eagerly hunting for the markers. Great teamwork 6TM.

"We had a fun time, running, walking and actually searching for the orienteering markers. I really enjoyed it." Archie 6TM

"In Out and About we went to Firestone. We ran around orienteering and used compasses and maps to find our way." Zoe 6TM



Out and About next week...

Please ensure your child wears suitable play-clothes and they bring a waterproof coat.

Tuesday am - Reception Train ride

Clayton, Antonia, Emily S, Felicity, Nova, Riley, Quinn, Remi-Rose, Amelia, Jovi, Kaden, Theo T and Theo WF.

Tuesday pm - Year 5 Bonchurch Solar System Trail

Matthew, Florence, Evie H, Brody, Leon S, Liam, Tom, Elvis, Teddy, Amelia, Emily H, Halle, Hayley and Amy.

Wednesday am - Year 4 Bembridge Windmill

Benjamin, Harry G, Mia-Rose, Oscar G, Oscar H, Ruben, Jacob, Paloma, Harvey R, River, Fletcher, Rhys, Lily, Vincent and Adhvik.

*Please bring wellies or old trainers that can get muddy.

Wednesday pm - Year 6 Orienteering

Sophie, Jude, Toby B, Wynter, Su, Felicity, Jack M, Elsie, Harrison, Sadie, Jacob, Alayna, Olivia and Amelia.

*Please bring wellies or old trainers that can get muddy.

Cookery next week

Your child in **Year 4** has cookery next **Wednesday**. Please can they bring in a container suitable to bring home Banana Oat Pancakes: Harley B, Zayn, Tayla, Joshua, Harvey, Scarlett, Maisy, Toby, Harley T, Flynn, James, Mirabelle, Georgia, Logan and Tula.

Your child in **Year 3** has cookery next **Thursday**. Please can they bring in a container for Romaine Cheese Bread: Riley H, Henley, Arlo, Max, Mia, Ellie, Kamahlie, Leo, Samuel, Corey, Daisy, Esmae, Luna and Darcie.



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
SPRING/SUMMER 2024	HOT SPECIALS				
	Cheese and Tomato Pizza 🍕 Served with Potato Wedges	Pork Sausages Served with Mashed Potato and Beans	Roast Chicken 🍗 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake 🍝🍗	Fish Fingers Served with Chips
	Tomato and Herb Lentil Pasta 🍝🌱🍷	Vegetarian Sausage 🍝🌱 Served with Mashed Potato and Beans	Cheese and Onion Pasty 🍝🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Meatless Balls in Tomato Sauce 🍝🌱 Served with Rainbow Rice	Quorn Dippers 🍝🌱 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO					
	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	Jacket Potatoes 🍷🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings
Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🍝🌱🍷					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT					
	Chocolate Brownie with Fruit 🍫🍌	Strawberry Jelly	Banana Cake 🍌	Lemon Sicilian Cookie	Chocolate Ice Cream

Year 5 boys football

On Thursday 18th July, a team of boys from Year 5 travelled over to Hunnyhill to play a friendly football match. Both teams were equally matched, which made it a close game, ending in a score of 1 - 1. All of the children had a brilliant afternoon, showing great sportsmanship and teamwork.



Year 5/6 girls football tournament

Last week, a team from Year 5 and 6 participated in a football tournament, held at Smallbrooke Astro. They played four matches against various schools across the island, pushing harder with each game and fighting until the final whistle. The girls were unfamiliar with the playing surface at Smallbrooke, however this did not dampen their spirit.

Tag rugby Island finals

After qualifying in the top two teams of our cluster competition in October, our Year 6 boys tag rugby team finally got to play in the finals tournament. This competition has been cancelled three times due to bad weather so all teams were keen to get playing. Being an Island final, the level of competition was extremely high and the boys had to dig deep. They improved with each game and most games were won or lost with only a one point difference between the teams. All boys showed improved skills during the competition with some very good tries scored.



Bike ability

On Wednesday and Thursday a group of our Year 6 pupils completed their bike ability level two training. At the end of the course, the instructor told us that all the children were very well behaved and a pleasure to work with.

Well done to all who took part.

Attendance

Whole School Attendance since September is 95.01%

Whole School Attendance this week is 96.16%

KS1 Class with best attendance this week is RSD with 99.11%

KS2 Class with best attendance this week is 5TS with 100%

And Finally...

Have a lovely weekend and remember to Read, Chat and Play with your children!

Best wishes,

Samantha Sillito

Headteacher




Diary Dates

Tuesday 30th April	1.15 - 2 Belief coaching with 6LR 2.05 - 2.50 Belief coaching with 6TM
Friday 3rd May	PJ / MUFTI day for Ukraine
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY—school is closed
Tuesday 7 th May	Year 5 trip to Winchester Science Museum
Thursday 9th May	Freestyle footballer in
Sunday 12th May	Walk the Wight
Monday 13th May	Year 6 SATS Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling Paper 1 Spelling SATs test
Tuesday 14th May	Year 6 SATs Reading paper
Wednesday 15th May	Year 6 SATS Mathematics Paper 1, Year 6 SATS Mathematics Paper 2
Thursday 16 th May	Year 6 SATS Mathematics Paper 3
Monday 20 th May	Year 6 UKSA Sailing session all day 2.15 Eco-Committee Meeting
Tuesday 21st May	Year 6 Skateboarding workshop
Friday 24 th May	Last Day of term Mrs Heng last day ECO Dress Up day (MUFTI) 3pm Plant sale PTFA at front of school
	Half Term Monday 27th May to 31st May
Monday 3rd June	Year 4 multiplication check week Year 1 phonics check begins
Tuesday 4th June	Proposed Year 4 trip to Winchester Science Museum (Sounds)
Wednesday 5 th June	Year 6 Residential to Runways End, Aldershot
Thursday 6 th June	Year 6 Residential to Runways End, Aldershot
Friday 7th June	Year 6 Residential to Runways End, Aldershot am - 3PT trip to Newport Roman Villa
Monday 10 th June	9.30 - 11.30 Year 6 Sea Swim session 2.15 - 4.15 Yr 5 / 6 Quad kids @ The Bay
Wednesday 12th June	JS photography in for groups and leavers photos
Monday 17 th June	2.15 Eco-Committee Meeting
Wednesday 19th June	OPEN MORNING - New reception parents
Monday 24th June	INSET DAY – School closed
Friday 28 th June	Dream Big Day - whole school assembly - 'we can be heroes'. 10 – 2 Yr 3 / 4 PEACH Games at West Wight Sports Centre
Monday 1 st July	2.15 Eco-Committee Meeting – Green Flag Submission
Thursday 4th July	KS1 SPORTS DAY (9.15 - 12.00) 3.15 - 7 Vocal festival prom at Carisbrooke Castle

Friday 5th July	KS2 SPORTS DAY (9.15 - 12.15) School summer fair
Monday 8th July	2.15 - 4.15 Year 5 / 6 Quad kids B Team @ The Bay
Tuesday 9th July	Move Up Morning (Queensgate) Yr 6 Transition Day to Secondary schools
Wednesday 10th July	The Island free School Transition Day SHOWCASE evening: Open school 5:00 - 6:00pm
Thursday 11th July	Reserve Sports Day (am - KS2 - pm KS1)
Friday 12th July	INSET day School Closed
Monday 15 th July	1.30 Dress rehearsal Y6 to rest of the school Year 6 show to parents 6:00pm
Tuesday 16th July	1.30 Year 6 play to parents
Wednesday 17th July	3.15 - 3.45 Reception Disco 4pm - 5.15 Y1, 2 & 3 Disco 5.30 - 6.45 Y4, 5 & 6 Disco (Year 6 free)
Thursday 18th July	Cookery Masterclass for both Year 6 classes
Friday 19th July	Reports out to parents
Monday 22nd July	Year 6 Waterfight Art day
Wednesday 24th July	1.15 Whole school assembly for Kezzi Kindness
Thursday 25th July	Attendance trip day to Appley Park and Beach
Friday 26th July	1.30pm Year 6 Leavers assembly and clapping corridor

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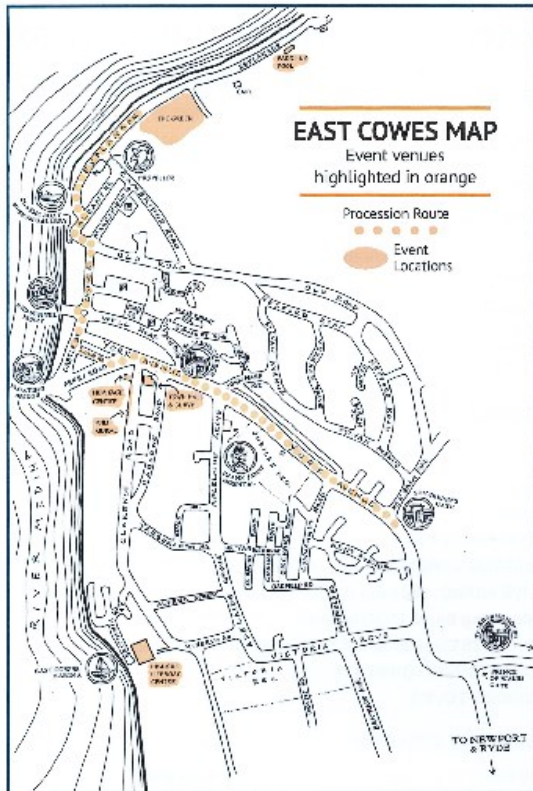


CONTEMPORARY DANCE • AERIAL SILKS SHOW

SUNDAY 30th JUNE | 2PM

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East Cowes Programme of Events

CELEBRATING THE 200th ANNIVERSARY of the formation of the R.N.L.I. AND THE 100th ANNIVERSARY of the East Cowes Esplanade

MAY 2024



Organised by:
East Cowes Town Council,
East Cowes Heritage Centre
and the Inshore Lifeboat Centre.



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Programme of Events

Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May 2024

FRIDAY 24th MAY

12.30pm SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING at the EAST COWES INSHORE LIFEBOAT CENTRE. INVITATION ONLY.

2.30pm OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE RNLi MURAL painted by the artist DAEV WALSH. *Clarence Road.*

6.30pm RECEPTION to launch the East Cowes Heritage Exhibition at the TOWN HALL. INVITATION ONLY.

SATURDAY 25th MAY

10.00am EXHIBITION OPENS TO THE PUBLIC. *Town Hall.*
Showing the importance of the boatyards on the River Medina that built lifeboats for the RNLi for many years. Photographs and artifacts gathered from collections at the Heritage Centre and the County Archives. A film about building lifeboats on the IOW will be shown. Closes 4.00pm.

12.00 PROCESSION THROUGH EAST COWES
Procession of Marching Bands and an RNLi Lifeboat. The Coastguard, decorated floats, vintage cars, fancy dress entrants and the mascots Stormy Stan and Ted Funnel.
Starts at Sovereign Gate, York Avenue, Ends on The Green at the Esplanade.

1.00pm to 5.00pm. EVENTS ON THE ESPLANADE
LOCAL BAND CORNERSTONE and MAGICIAN RANDINI on the stage. MAD-AID Horsebox bar. RNLi Stand. Food and drink stands. Bring a picnic and enjoy the afternoon by the sea.

1.30pm UNVEILING OF THE ESPLANADE INFORMATION BOARD
To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the opening of the Esplanade to the public.

SATURDAY 3.00pm GIANT HOOK-A-DUCK GAME
The paddling pool will be filled with plastic ducks and a large duck will hook lucky ones to win prizes for the crowds.

TIME TBA: RNLi SEA RESCUE DEMONSTRATION
The RNLi will demonstrate a 'man overboard' rescue in the waters along the Esplanade using an Inshore Lifeboat made at the centre in East Cowes.

7.00pm EVENING SHOWING OF 'BUILDING LIFEBOATS ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT'. *Town Hall.*
A film highlighting the working lives of the boatbuilders who worked on the RNLi lifeboats. Refreshments available.

SUNDAY 26th MAY

10.00am to 4.00pm EXHIBITION OPEN. *Town Hall.*

EVENTS AT THE INSHORE LIFEBOAT CENTRE *Clarence Road.*

Starts at 10.30am

NAMING CEREMONY of a D-CLASS Lifeboat
LIVE MUSIC: Slipshod Singers, Cowes Concert Band, Medina Marching Band, Ukelele Band.
D-CLASS Capsize and Righting drill in The Marina
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MONDAY 27th MAY

10.00am to 4.00pm EXHIBITION OPEN. *Town Hall.*

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