



**ST HELENS PRIMARY**



Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you to all parents and carers for attending the parent evenings this week. The vast majority of parents were able to meet the teachers to share news about their children's first few weeks of the new academic year.

If you were unable to make it on this occasion, please make contact with the school to arrange a time to speak to the teachers. It is essential to stay in touch in order to make sure we help the children in every way we can.

Key messages included finding time to read with your children as often as possible, other ways to help with your children's learning and maintaining an open and positive contact between school and home.

I'm very impressed with the attendance of the two younger classes so far this term. Hopefully this will continue throughout the school year.

In the older classes attendance has also been impressive. Unfortunately a small number of children have been unfortunate to catch the odd bug. Hopefully they will be back to their best next week.

Assembly on Friday highlighted the great work and attitude we see on a day to day basis at school.

Jarryd loves his maths. This week he has excelled at division and multiplication. In fact in class, he was the only child to remember how to calculate  $72 + 48 \div 6$ . Most children would have opted for 20!

Alba is looking forward to studying the Jungle Book. Sami recalled the author Rudyard Kipling and Hannah described Raksha's protective character. I have to agree with Alba - it is a great book and the children should have some amazing lessons to look forward to.

Barnaby is another mathematician who has enjoyed solving word problems in maths. Discoverers have calculated the perimeter of lots of 2D shapes including regular hexagons and octagons, kites and rectangles.

Emily is enjoying football and Luke has enjoyed investigating insulators and conductors as part of his science work.

The Art and DT in Adventurers is always spectacular and the egg box dragons are no exception. Alena and Jude have their models on show in the hall. I know Miss Gorman and Mrs Rees are delighted with the outcomes and the children should be very proud of their achievements.

Explorers are still a little shy to share their ideas in assembly. However in class they are very active. I have seen some excellent model animals, phonic work and some very creative play. Arabella, Tilly, Alba and Isabella were very impressive and they balanced and moved throughout the outside plank and tyres in their outside environment.

I look forward to another great week on Monday.

Have a great weekend

Mr Wake

**Attendance week from: 25/09/2023 to 29/09/2023**

Class	Attendance	Late Arrivals	Minutes Lost Through Lateness	Unauthorised Absences	Authorised Absences
Explorers	98.4%	0	0	0	2
Adventurers	98.2%	0	0	0	5
Discoverers	94%	0	0	0	15
Pioneers	91.5%	0	0	0	22

Although we strive for 100%, our whole school attendance for this week was 95.2% which is **below** the national expectation of 96%

If your child is too unwell to attend school please contact us to let us know. You can phone on 872442 or email us on [admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk) If you let us know by phone please can you put the reason for your child's absence in writing when they return to school otherwise the absence will be marked as unauthorised. We are required to ask you for this in order to follow the Local Authority attendance procedures, and if we don't receive a letter or email we have to follow it up.



## THIS WEEKS AWARDS



<u>Class</u>	<u>Worker of the Week</u>	<u>Star of The Week</u>
Explorers	Isabella	Reggie
Adventurers	Luke	Miles
Adventurers	Alfred	Levi
Discoverers	Travis	Belle
Discoverers	Clara	Logan
Pioneers	George	Alex
Pioneers	Katy	Jarryd



We would like to wish a very 'Happy Birthday' to the following children who celebrate their special day this week:

Seb age 7  
Emily age 7  
Liam age 11



## Recipe of the Week

Each week we will share an easy to cook recipe which you may like to try cooking at home with your child. Please email your photos (and reviews) of our recipes to [admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk) and we will publish them in the newsletter! If you have any tasty, healthy recipes that you would like to share with the school community, please email them to the above address.

25/09/2023, 15:32

Courgette, potato & feta slice recipe | BBC Good Food

**bbc**  
**goodfood**

### Courgette, potato & feta slices

Prep: 25 mins  
 Cook: 1 hr



Easy



Serves 8



#### Ingredients

350g new potatoes, thinly sliced  
4 courgettes (about 900g), trimmed and thinly sliced  
3 tbsp olive oil  
200g block of feta, crumbled (vegetarian, if needed)  
small bunch of mint, leaves picked and chopped  
8 eggs, beaten

#### Method

- Step 1** Heat the oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6. Tip the potato and courgette slices into a large bowl and toss with the olive oil and some seasoning. Arrange in a single layer on two baking trays and roast for 25 mins until lightly golden, stirring halfway through to brown evenly.
- Step 2** Line a 20 x 30cm baking tin with a large sheet of baking parchment, ensuring there are no tears or cuts (where the egg might leak through). Layer the veg on the parchment, scattering most of the feta and all of the mint between the layers.
- Step 3** Season the egg, then pour this over the veg. Crumble over the rest of the feta. Bake for 25-30 mins until the egg is cooked and the top is golden. Leave to cool completely in the tin, then chill until needed. Will keep chilled for up to two days. Cut into squares and pack into a lunchbox or picnic hamper.

**School Dinner Menu (£2.75) per day or free to Reception, Year 1 & 2 pupils)**

On **TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS only**, the children will be able to order baguettes - fillings cheese, tuna or ham.

**WEEK 3** W/C: 01/05, 22/05, 19/06, 10/07, 11/09, 02/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>HOT MAINS</b>	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Butter Chicken Curry</b> Served with Wholegrain Rice	<b>Roast Pork</b> Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Cottage Pie</b> Served with two vegetables	<b>Breaded Fish Fingers</b> Served with Chips
	<b>Vegetarian Bolognese</b> Served with Wholemeal Pasta	<b>Tomato Vegetable Burger</b> Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Cheesy Ploughman's Picnic Plate</b> Served with Bread	<b>Macaroni Cheese</b> Served with two vegetables	<b>Vegetarian Dippers</b> Served with Chips
<b>JACKET POTATO</b>	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> with a choice of hot and cold fillings
<b>Tomato Pasta</b> Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
<b>DESSERT</b>	<b>Berry Flapjack with Fruit</b>	<b>Shortbread</b>	<b>Chocolate Brownie with Fruit</b>	<b>Ice Cream</b>	<b>Pineapple Upside Down Cake</b>

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**THREE WEEK MENU**  
SPRING/SUMMER 2023

Chartwells Schools

OUR NEW MENU CHOSEN BY PARENTS AND CHILDREN

YOUR FAVOURITES AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Our menu is subject to change. Please be assured that all notified medical diets and allergy requirements will be safely catered for.

# WEEK 1

W/C: 17/04, 08/05, 05/06, 26/06, 17/07, 18/09, 09/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> 🌱 Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Pork Sausages</b> Served with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Roast Turkey</b> 🐔 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Beef Bolognese</b> 🍖 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Breaded Fish Fingers</b> Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	<b>Tomato Pasta</b> 🌱 served with two vegetables	<b>Cauliflower Macaroni Cheese</b> Served with two vegetables	<b>Roasted Vegetable Butterbean Crumble</b> 🌱 Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Vegetarian Bolognese</b> 🌱 Served with Wholemeal Pasta and Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Vegetarian Dippers</b> 🌱 Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings, including Salmon Mayonnaise 🐟	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 with a choice of hot and cold fillings	<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> 🌱 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	Vanilla Ice Cream	Strawberry Jelly with Fruit 🍓	Hot Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard	Lemon Slice with Fruit 🍋	Crispy Crackle Bar

# WEEK 2

W/C: 24/04, 15/05, 12/06, 03/07, 04/09, 25/09, 16/10

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
HOT MAINS	<b>Cheese and Tomato Pizza</b> 🌱 Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Chinese Chicken and Vegetable Rice</b> 🐔 🌱	<b>Roast Gammon</b> Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Beef Lasagne</b> 🍖 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Breaded Fish Fingers</b> Served with Chips
JACKET POTATO	<b>Vegetable Pastry Roll</b> 🌱 Served with Potato Wedges	<b>Macaroni Cheese</b> Served with two vegetables	<b>Sweet Potato and Chickpea Roast</b> Served with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	<b>Vegetable Lasagne</b> 🌱 Served with Garlic and Herb Bread	<b>Vegetarian Dippers</b> 🌱 Served with Chips
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Tomato Pasta Fresh, homemade tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta 🌱 🌱					
All main meals are served with two vegetables					
DESSERT	Oat Chocolate Cookie with Fruit 🌱	Orange Jelly	Chocolate and Banana Marble Cake	Flapjack with Fruit 🍓	Strawberry Ice Cream

## AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

Water, salad, freshly baked bread, yoghurt & fresh fruit

🌱 Vegetarian 🐟 Oily Fish 🍷 Wholegrain 🍓 Fruity! 🍖 Nutritionist's Choice

If your child would like the vegetarian option on a particular day, please can they let their teacher know so we can order enough portions from The Bay kitchen.



## St Helens Primary School

### **Midday Supervisor**

ST HELENS PRIMARY SCHOOL, BROOMLANDS CLOSE, ST HELENS]

[Tel: 872442 email [[admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk)]

**Headteacher: Mr Carl Wake NOR 92**

**Salary: £3028 p.a (FTE: £20812)**

**Hours: One hour and fifteen minutes per day 1145 - 1300**

**Fixed-term contract until 31 August 2024 in the first instance**

**Required for: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**The Governors of St Helens Primary School wish to appoint a Midday Supervisory Assistant.**

Due to an increase in pupil numbers we are seeking an enthusiastic, resourceful Midday Supervisory Assistant to help make lunchtimes a positive and happy experience for our children.

The successful candidate will:

- Be reliable, trustworthy and patient.
- Enjoy working with children.
- Help supervise children when eating their lunch.
- Guide children to play together and develop positive relationships in the playground.
- Be able to work as part of a committed team.

### **Application Procedure**

Visits to the school are welcomed. Please contact Teresa Anderson on 01983 872442 or email us on [admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk).

Please contact St Helens Primary for further details regarding the role and responsibilities. Completed applications should be returned directly to the school.

St Helens Primary is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share in this commitment.

This School is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from all sections of the community

**Closing date Midday Friday 13th October 2023**

**Interviews to be held week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023**



## Dates for Your Diary

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – School closes at 3.00pm for half term  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November – School reopens at 08:45 for Autumn term 2  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Afternoon and evening performances of KS1 Nativity (details tbc)  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Party (a.m.) KS2 Party (p.m.)  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Santa visit (a.m.)  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas lunch  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – School closes at 3:00pm for Christmas break  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Staff Development Day – school closed to children  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Staff Development Day – school closed to children  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Staff Development Day – school closed to children

## This Week's Class Updates

### Explorers

This week in explorers we have looked at the sounds 'n, m, d and g' as well as the tricky word 'to'. Tricky words are those words which cannot be sounded out easily. The children have enjoyed a number of different phonics activities using their new sounds and practising their letter formation.



This morning we had a number of fine motor activities set up after assembly. The children particularly enjoyed drawing patterns in the coloured rice, making letters with the playdough and threading small beads.

Over the week we have read a number of books about autumn as a class and have discussed the different signs that autumn is happening around us. During circle time this week we enjoyed looking at horse chestnuts still in their husks. We also talked about how they got the name of 'conkers' and that the game of conkers using horse chestnuts was first played on the Isle of Wight in 1848!

We have also used them in a number of games and even to create some art! The children suggested we could make hedgehogs out of the spiky husks and so using clay we have made spiky hedgehogs and smooth snails, which all look amazing.

Have a lovely weekend!

### Adventurers

Adventurers have had a wonderful creative week. Filled with instruction writing, Eggbox Dragon making, coin counting, perspective sketching and starting our new story; The Eggbox Dragon.

We're also thrilled that EVERY CHILD had read enough to have their books changed this week!! Which is a fantastic achievement and they should all be very proud.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone again on Monday for another lovely week. Have a lovely weekend.





## Discoverers

This week in English we were using adverbs and imperative verbs to give instructions, for example 'stir the dough slowly'. In maths we have been learning about perimeters and length and last Monday we did number lines. We did body percussion in music. When we did art yesterday we used water colours and practised shading in styles to make the sky and sand and shadows. When we do PE, on Thursdays we do football and on Fridays we do cross country.



From Logan

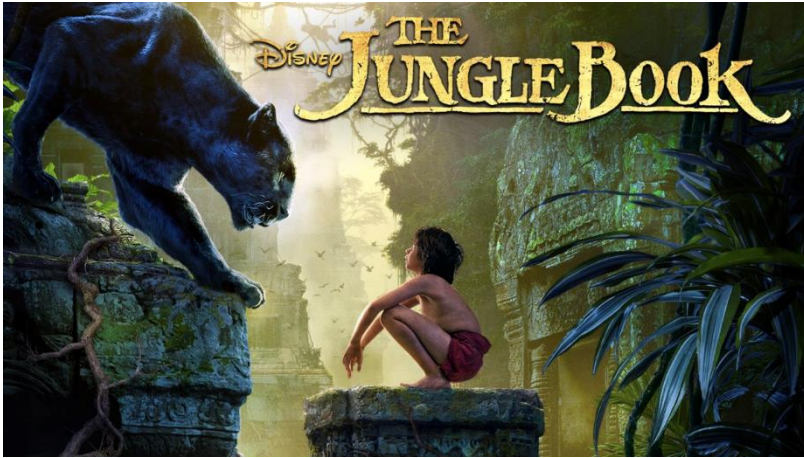
## Pioneers

Hello

It was lovely to see so many parents this week and to meet parents I had not met before. It was great to talk to you face to face about your children. I hope that you found it valuable too.

My central message is , as always, the best way you can support your children is to encourage them to read widely every single day : always checking that they are understanding the words and content of what they read.

This week we began a new learning journey in English which will lead to ( and inspire) a piece of narrative writing. The book we are focusing on is The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling. I have also shared with the children clips from the original Disney animation and the 2016 live action film . We are considering the different characteristics of the animals portrayed by Kipling which are emphasised in the film versions.



Thursday was National Poetry Day and we were looking at a poem from The Jungle Book also by Kipling. Kipling was only 29 when he wrote the Jungle Book and It really is a heritage, classic read. He has a local connection too. He lived in Southsea for several years as a child.

## Hunting-Song of the Seeonee Pack

As the dawn was breaking the Sambhur belled  
 Once, twice and again!  
 And a doe leaped up, and a doe leaped up  
 From the pond in the wood, where the wild deer sup.  
 This I, scouting alone, beheld,  
 Once, twice and again!

As the dawn was breaking the Sambhur belled  
 Once, twice and again!  
 And a wolf stole back, and a wolf stole back  
 To carry the word to the waiting pack,  
 And we sought and we found and we bayed on his track  
 Once, twice and again!

As the dawn was breaking the Wolf Pack yelled  
 Once, twice and again!  
 Feet in the jungle that leave no mark!

Eyes that can see in the dark--the dark!  
 Tongue, give tongue to it! Hark! O hark!  
 Once, twice and again!



## FOSH (Friends of St Helens Primary) News

### FOSH meeting

On Thursday 12th October FOSH are holding their next committee meeting. We will be planning the upcoming Winter Ball and the Christmas Fayre and everyone is welcome to join us at 1pm at school.

### Textile Bank

Don't forget that we have a textile bank where you can donate unwanted **clothes, belts, paired shoes, bags, hats, (in a tied bag)**. The donated items will be collected and weighed fortnightly and the school will receive 20p per kilo towards our funds. **Donated items (bagged please) should be left near to the front entrance of the school. Please let the office know you have left items!** **Please do not donate duvets, pillows, cushions, household textiles, soiled rags, curtains, blankets as the recycling company will deduct the cost of disposing of these items from our overall total raised.**

Remember to look at the school website for the latest school updates and information at [www.sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk](http://www.sthelenspri.iow.sch.uk)

**Short Story Writing Competition**  
**2023**

**Sight for Wight**

**THE FUTURE**

Enter our competition, with a futuristic theme, for a chance to have your story published and recorded by a celebrity, plus other great prizes to be won!

**ENTRY FEE (per story)**

- £8.00 Adults (1500 - 2000 words)
- £2.00 12 - 17s (up to 750 words)
- £2.00 8 - 11s (up to 500 words)
- £2.00 Under 8s (up to 250 words with pictures)

**ENTRY FORMS FROM**

- Waterstones, Newport
- Sight for Wight, Newport
- Dress for Less, 57 Pyle Street, Newport
- Email: [admin@iwsb.org.uk](mailto:admin@iwsb.org.uk)

**For more information visit: [sightforwight.org.uk](http://sightforwight.org.uk)**

Award Ceremony on Friday 8th December 2023  
Riverside Centre, Newport @ 7pm

**ENTRIES MUST BE RETURNED BY 5PM ON FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER**

Sight for Wight is the working name for Isle of Wight Society for the Blind  
Registered charity number 1149415 Company limited by guarantee 6240404

There's still time to enter our short story writing competition. The closing date is Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The theme is 'the future' so this gives young people the ideal opportunity to let their imaginations run wild!

There are also some great prizes to be won. See our website for more information.

<https://www.iwsb.org.uk/news/short-story-writing-competition-2023/>





# ENTRY FORM

## Short Story Writing Competition 2023

'The Future'

Name:							
Address:							
Please tick your age category below as at 3.11.2023							
18+ years	<input type="checkbox"/>	12 – 17 Years	<input type="checkbox"/>	8 - 11 Years	<input type="checkbox"/>	Under 8 Years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telephone number:							
Email address:							
School attending:							
How did you hear about this competition?							

**Fees: £8.00 per adult story & £2.00 if under 18.** I enclose the following stories:

Story 1 title & word count	Story 2 title & word count	Story 3 title & word count

I enclose £ ..... for my entries. Please put money in a sealed envelope attached to your entry and make cheques payable to **Sight for Wight** or you can phone the office on 522205 to make a card payment.

**Deliver entries with fee by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023 to:**

Short Story Writing Competition -

Waterstones, 118 High Street, Newport, IW PO30 1TP

Dress for Less, 57 Pyle Street, Newport, IW PO30 1UL

Millbrooke House, 137 Carisbrooke Road, Newport, Isle of Wight PO30 1DD

Chris Cane: [admin@iwsb.org.uk](mailto:admin@iwsb.org.uk)

I declare that the material is my own work and has not been previously published and I accept the terms and conditions overleaf.

Signature	
Signature of parent/guardian if under 18	
Printed name of parent/guardian	

1. All stories must be original, unpublished and the sole work of the author.
2. Write your name at the top of each story.
3. Word count is 1500 – 2000 words for adults, up to 750 words for 12 – 17s, up to 500 words for 8 – 11s, up to 250 words (with pictures) for under 8s.
4. Make sure you have ticked the relevant age category box and entered the word count for each story.
5. Please type your story if possible, and make sure you use a 12 font (minimum), line spacing 2.0.
6. All entries must have a title and be unbound with no illustrations (apart from Under 8s category).
7. Entries to be emailed if possible or submitted to Waterstones, Dress for Less or Sight for Wight.
8. Entries by email or people with sight loss to: [admin@iwsb.org.uk](mailto:admin@iwsb.org.uk)
9. Closing date for entries is Friday 3rd November 2023 at 5pm.
10. Winners will be announced on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at our Award Ceremony.
11. All stories must be accompanied by the entry fee of £8.00 per story for adults and £2.00 for under 18s. Cheques to be made payable to: 'Sight for Wight'.
12. Entries will not be returned so please keep a copy.
13. The judge's decision is final. No communication will be entered into.
14. Entrants agree to grant Sight for Wight a non-exclusive irrevocable licence to reproduce, record, publish and share for any purpose related to the competition in any medium, including print, audio and digital. This includes, but is not restricted to use in press, radio and on websites.
15. Disclaimer - The information given in these Terms & Conditions is correct, but Sight for Wight reserves the right to change any of it without prior notice. By entering the competition, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these Terms & Conditions. Any breach of these Terms by an entrant will void their entry. If a breach has occurred, but is discovered after the award of a prize, then the organisers may require the return of that prize.
16. By entering, you also agree that, if selected as a winner of any prize, Sight for Wight may share your name with local media for the purpose of publishing the details of all winners.
17. By entering this competition you consent to Sight for Wight retaining your personal details for the administration and promotion of this competition and to receive correspondence regarding future competitions. Further information can be found in the Sight for Wight Privacy Policy on the Sight for Wight website: [www.sightforwight.org.uk](http://www.sightforwight.org.uk)
18. Sight for Wight respects your privacy and never sells data to any third party.

## **Catch-up Flu Clinic**

The School Aged Immunisation Service has been in school for nasal flu vaccinations. If your child missed this and you would like them to receive it **the Team will be returning on**

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Please use the previously sent link or QR code to access the consent form.

There are also community clinics available through until the end of January.

Clinics available are:

<b>Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	09:30 – 12:30	West Wight Family Centre, Freshwater
<b>Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	15:00 – 17:00	East Newport Family Centre
<b>Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	09:30 – 12:30	Sandown Family Centre
<b>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b>	15:00 – 17:00	Cowes Family Centre
<b>Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	TBC	Ryde area TBC
<b>Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	15:00 – 17:00	West Wight Family Centre, Freshwater
<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	09:30 – 12:30	Enterprise House, Newport

**If you do not wish your child to be vaccinated and do not want to receive any further reminders, please use the link or QR code for the no consent form so that your child's record can be updated.**

Please contact the school Aged Immunisation Service if you need any help or advice.

Email: [snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-iow@nhs.net](mailto:snhs.schoolagedimmunisations-iow@nhs.net) or Tel: 0300 123 5074



**ISLE OF WIGHT POTTERY**

## OCTOBER HALF TERM HALLOWEEN POTTERY

Join us for our Halloween Pottery Workshop where kids can unleash their creativity by crafting eerie and enchanting Halloween models. Let their imaginations run wild as they sculpt, paint, and wheel throw their very own creepy creations. Don't miss out on the ghostly fun this half-term!

**MONDAY 23RD & 30TH OCTOBER**  
10AM - 12PM | 2PM - 4PM

**£25 PER PERSON**

For more information or to book visit:  
[www.isleofwightpottery.com](http://www.isleofwightpottery.com)

THAT'S RIGHT, IT'S BACK!!

**JJ's Parties & Events**

## HALLOWEEN INFLATE-A-DAY

OCTOBER 23RD - 24TH - 25TH  
REW VALLEY SPORTS CENTRE

BOOK ONLINE AT  
[WWW.JJSIOW.CO.UK/INFLATE-A-DAY](http://WWW.JJSIOW.CO.UK/INFLATE-A-DAY)

LIMITED SPACES - AUTISM FRIENDLY SESSIONS - FREE PARKING

**WESTOVER FARM PUMPKINS**

Westover Farm,  
Calbourne,  
PO30 4JW

## Pumpkin Patch

Different varieties, sizes and colours of pumpkins and squashes set over several acres of beautiful West Wight countryside.

Pick your own pumpkins

Opening Days  
Oct 7 & 8  
Oct 14 & 15  
Oct 21 & 22  
Oct 25 to 31

@westoverfarmiw info@westover-farm.co.uk

**TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> OCT**

## HALLOWEEN PARTY AT THE VINE

4:30pm - 6:30pm

Pop in to Book!

or Call 872337



**ALL WEATHER**

**TAPNELL FARM**  
ISLE OF WIGHT

**PUMPKIN FESTIVAL**

Weekends 7th - 8th and 14th - 15th October  
Half Term 21st - 31st October




LIVE MUSIC  
PUMPKIN CARVING  
AXE THROWING!  
DRINKS & TREATS!  
PICK YOUR OWN PUMPKIN PATCH!

Standalone event in Event Barn - Small additional charges for some activities - Full details online

[www.tapnellfarm.com/events](http://www.tapnellfarm.com/events)

Christmas at  
**Tapnell**  
Santa's Missing Mail

**1st - 24th December**  
(on selected dates)



Get ready for another immersive experience - a new story and new adventures filled with wonderment for the whole family!

*Buy Tickets Now*

**TAPNELL FARM & PARK** [www.tapnellfarm.com/christmas](http://www.tapnellfarm.com/christmas)

**ON SALE NOW!**

**JUST £30 PER PERSON!**  
Under 2's FREE

**Winter Season Passes**  
ALL WEATHER FUN!  
Indoor and Outdoor Play

Valid from 9th November 2023 - 22nd March 2024  
Unlimited FREE ENTRY - See winter opening times on website

Transferable adult season pass when accompanying a child season pass holder

**Family Hub**

**Newport open day**

**Wednesday 25 October 10am to 3pm to launch the Newport Family Hub.**

This event is open to members of the public and is a great opportunity for those who would like to find out about the services Family Hubs offer.

To **book and secure your place** please visit [familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk](http://familyinfohub.iow.gov.uk) and click on the article link **Newport Family Hub open day**.

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## What is Short Breaks?

Short Breaks aims to increase activity opportunities for children and young people with disabilities. It provides a break for parents/carers while their child takes part in a safe, fun, and enjoyable activity. The Short Breaks programme is for children and young people who:

- have a disability or additional needs and may require support to participate in leisure and recreational activities
- are aged between zero and 18 years old
- live on the Isle of Wight or attend a school on the Isle of Wight.

**SHORT BREAKS PROGRAMME** **WINTER 2023**

**FREE TO JOIN\***

**FUN ACTIVITIES**  
FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
WITH DISABILITIES AND/OR ADDITIONAL NEEDS  
*\*There is a small charge for most activities.*

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**WELCOME TO YOUR SHORT BREAKS PROGRAMME** **WINTER PROGRAMME**

**What's new for winter 2023?**  
It's that time of year to put on your warm coat and wellies, and enjoy the cooler days and dark starry nights.  
Once again we have plenty of specially selected Short Breaks activities - including regular favourites - for you to enjoy, for all ages (up to 19).  
The activities in this programme are listed in alphabetical order, plus there is a handy schedule on page six so you can see what is available on each day of the week. Please check activity details for eligibility, accessibility and prices. It is advisable to book for each activity.  
Please let us know what you think, or tell the young inspectors. Remember, it's **YOUR** programme!  
The Short Breaks team

**What is the Short Breaks programme?**  
With the support of local businesses, the Isle of Wight Council's Short Breaks team has curated lots of fun activities specifically for young people on the Isle of Wight, with disabilities and/or additional needs. If you want to participate - and are eligible (see below) - you will need to complete a simple form to take part.

**Can I do Short Breaks activities?**  
If you answer 'yes' to the following you are eligible to join in Short Breaks activities.

- I am eighteen years old or younger.
- I have a disability and/or additional need that means I need support to join in leisure and recreational activities.
- I live on the lovely Isle of Wight and/or go to school here.

**Are there any other benefits?**  
Yes, if you are eligible for Short Breaks, you and your family can also use the caravan at Shanklin, which is equipped for people with disabilities. Find out more on page twenty.

**SHORT BREAKS MEMBERSHIP CARD**  
**FUN ACTIVITIES**  
For children and young people

**Sounds fab! How do I join?**  
It's simple and free to join\*. Visit [low.gov.uk/shortbreaks](http://low.gov.uk/shortbreaks) to complete an application form. You will also need to provide a passport size photograph.

**2** *\*There is a small charge for most activities.*

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## DON'T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT - TRUST THE YOUNG INSPECTORS!



### Who are the young inspectors?

The young inspectors are young people who use the services of Short Breaks. Any service user can apply to be a Young Inspector.

### What do the young inspectors do?

The young inspectors work together to check out and rate the activities in this programme. They do this by joining in, watching how others participate and filling out a questionnaire with their findings. There is help to do this - and there is also a reward! For each event or activity they inspect they receive a £5 voucher stamp, which will be awarded to them at the young inspectors party at the end of the year.

### How do young inspectors help?

It's important that the voices and opinions of young people are listened to. The inspectors' feedback is used to improve the Short Breaks service and help others choose which activities they want to do.

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### About young inspectors star ratings

If an activity has been inspected by the young inspectors then it will have a star rating. This will be shown on the activity page as a magnifying glass with one, two or three stars, plus the year it was rated. If there is no rating, it means that an inspection is due to happen.

### How can I become a young inspector?

If you are aged between four- and eighteen-years-old you may be able to join the young inspectors skilled workforce.

If you are interested in becoming a young inspector email [younginspectors@low.gov.uk](mailto:younginspectors@low.gov.uk)

### Where can I find out more?

View the young inspectors reports by visiting: [low.gov.uk/shortbreaksyounginspectors](http://low.gov.uk/shortbreaksyounginspectors)



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## PLAN YOUR WEEK



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Some activities aren't on every week. Check activity page for full details.

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## ACCESS INFORMATION

To find out if a particular activity is suitable for your child's needs, check the symbols on each activity page (see key below). For further information, contact the activity provider in the first instance. They will be happy to answer any questions you have. Contact details are on each activity page.

### SYMBOL KEY

	Wheelchair accessible		Siblings welcome
	Accessible toilet		Family friendly
	Hoist available		Accessible changing facilities

If you have a question about Short Breaks, including eligibility criteria and how to get involved, please contact the team on 01983 823 168 or visit [www.low.gov.uk/shortbreaks](http://www.low.gov.uk/shortbreaks)

"Gives us as parents a few hours to ourselves, and we know that our daughter is in a safe and friendly environment whilst she can socialise with others and help her confidence."

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## BODSTER



Fun activities where learners interact with ponies on the ground. Learners help devise activities, for example, leading a pony and working loose in the round pen.

AGES	5 to 18 years
DAY	Saturday
TIME	10am to 11.45am
ADDRESS	Sandford Farm, Shanklin Road, Sandford, PO38 3EX
PRICE	Saturday session (45 minutes) £7.50 1:1 session (half hour) £7.50
CONTACT	Jo and Giles
PHONE	07887 876138
EMAIL	<a href="mailto:joandgiles@gmail.com">joandgiles@gmail.com</a>
PROVIDER	Bodster - Equine Assisted Learning CIC
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.eaqbodster.co.uk">www.eaqbodster.co.uk</a>



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## DOODLES



Sensory arts and crafts sessions. Seasonal crafts and sensory spaces in a fun and safe environment.

AGES	5 to 13
DAY	Saturday
TIME	9.30am to 12pm 1pm to 4pm
ADDRESS	7 Bowling Green Lane, Newport, PO30 1L
PRICE	£7.50
CONTACT	Jenny Barker
PHONE	07875 949584
EMAIL	<a href="mailto:connectiow@gmail.com">connectiow@gmail.com</a>
PROVIDER	Connect iow
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.connectiow.com">www.connectiow.com</a>



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## DUNGEONS & DRAGONS



*Dungeons and Dragons is a fantasy role-playing game. This new activity welcomes players from beginners upwards.*

AGES	13 to 19 years
DAY	Monday
TIME	4.30pm to 6.30pm
ADDRESS	Autism Zone, 3 St James Street, Newport, PO305HE
PRICE	£4.50
CONTACT	Claire Collins
TEXT ONLY	07948 500607
EMAIL	support@aimslifeofwight.co.uk
BOOKING	bookwhen.com/aimslifeofwight
PROVIDER	AIM (Autism Inclusion Matters)



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## LITTLE WILDHEARTS FOREST SCHOOL



*Forest School activities for the early years.*

AGES	1 to 4 years
DAY	Thursday
TIME	1pm to 2.30pm
ADDRESS	Haylands Farm, Salters Road, Ryde, PO33 3HU
PRICE	£5
CONTACT	Lizzie
PHONE	07738 287408
EMAIL	lizzieboynston@hotmail.co.uk
BOOKING	foreverwildatheart.co.uk/book
PROVIDER	Forever Wild at Heart



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## SCALLYWAGS FUN CLUB



*Play and meet new friends at Scallywags holiday club. Activities including cookery, art and crafts, bouncy castle, toys and music. Extra staff provide 1:2/1:5/1:7 additional support.*

AGES	3 to 18 years
DAY	School holidays
TIME	Flexible hours to suit you. Sessions between 8am and 6pm
ADDRESS	Winchester House, Sandown Road, Shanklin, PO37 6HU
PRICE	£10
CONTACT	Sarah Wherry
PHONE	01983 530433 or 07977 709088
EMAIL	scallywags0@btinternet.com
PROVIDER	Scallywags Fun Club



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## SENSORY SESSIONS



*Multi-sensory sessions with free play in a small friendly group.*

AGES	0 to 18 years
DAY	Sunday
TIME	10am to 12pm
ADDRESS	Beechgrove House, Upton Road Haylands, Ryde, PO33 3LE
PRICE	£4
CONTACT	Clara
PHONE	07773 570505
EMAIL	clareanne21@btinternet.com
PROVIDER	Sensory Space CIC
BOOKING	bookwhen.com/sensoryspacecic
FACEBOOK	Sensory Space CIC



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## SENSORY SWIMMING



*Fun sensory swimming lessons. A parent/carer must accompany their child in the pool for the duration of the lesson.*

AGES	4 to 12 years
DAY	Saturday
TIME	8.30am to 9am 11.30am to 12 noon
ADDRESS	Waterside Pool, Esplanade, Ryde, PO33 1LE
PRICE	£3
CONTACT	Genevieve Joliffe
PHONE	07710 527907
EMAIL	info@sensoryswim.org
PROVIDER	Waterside Pool
WEBSITE	www.sensoryswim.org



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## SKATEBOARDING



*Learn to skateboard in a fun, safe and structured environment with professional skate coach John Cattle and his team.*

AGES	5 to 19 years
DAY	Sunday
TIME	10am and 11am
ADDRESS	St Marks Church Hall, Station Road, Wootton, PO33 4RA
PRICE	£5
CONTACT	John Cattle
PHONE	07917 891555
EMAIL	johncattleskateclub@gmx.com
PROVIDER	John Cattle's Skate Club



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## SOCIAL CLUB



Fun, stimulating and safe opportunity for young people to socialise and make friends outside of school hours.

AGES	11 to 19 years
DAY	Monday
TIME	3.30pm to 5.45pm
ADDRESS	Riverside, The Quay, Newport, PO30 2QR
PRICE	£5
CONTACT	Laura Reid
EMAIL	lr@idpactioniw.org.uk
PROVIDER	Community Action IW



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## SWIMMING



Fun, friendly and fully accessible swimming lessons, centred around learning through play with plenty of imagination thrown in.

AGES	3 to 18
DAY	Tuesday
TIME	3.45pm/4.15pm/5.15pm
ADDRESS	Medina House School, School Lane, Newport, PO30 2HS
PRICE	£5 per session (must be booked in blocks of six)
CONTACT	Emma Robinson
PHONE	07891 003297
EMAIL	swimming@emmasotters.co.uk
PROVIDER	Emma's Otters
WEBSITE	www.emmasotters.co.uk



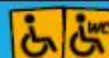
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## VECTIS RADIO



Gain confidence and communication skills while learning presenting, producing, promoting and podcasting in the fun environment of live radio.

AGES	11 to 19 years
DAY	Saturday
TIME	10am to 1pm
ADDRESS	Vectis Radio, The Quay, Newport, PO30 2QR
PRICE	£5
CONTACT	Kelvin
PHONE	07925 712084
EMAIL	kelvin.currie@vectisradio.fm
PROVIDER	Vectis Radio
WEBSITE	www.vectisradio.com



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## YOUTH CLUB



Youth club session with arts and crafts, wii, xbox, board games.

AGES	11 to 16 years
DAY	Thursday
TIME	6pm to 8pm
ADDRESS	@147, 147 High Street, Ryde, PO33 2RE
PRICE	Free
CONTACT	Bea Swan
PHONE	01983 300128
EMAIL	rebecca.swan@networkryde.org
PROVIDER	Network Ryde
WEBSITE	www.networkryde.co.uk



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## SHORT BREAKS

### CARAVAN

Have a Short Break in the popular resort of Lower Hyde, Shanklin. Our large wheelchair-accessible caravan sleeps up to six people.



The caravan is close to the beach, town centre, transport links and local entertainment.



For more information about the Short Breaks caravan visit [low.gov.uk](http://low.gov.uk)

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## LANDEEZ

### ALL-TERRAIN WHEELCHAIR

Rides easily over sand, snow and gravel - perfect for the island's beaches and accessible countryside paths.

### WHERE WILL IT TAKE YOU?



On the beach?

Down to the woods?

AVAILABLE TO HIRE!

Great for the beach and woodland, the Landeez marine-grade stainless steel frame will not rust or corrode, even in salt water, and the ballistic nylon seating is removable and washable.

The Landeez can be adjusted to fit a small child or large adult, plus the wheelchair can be disassembled in seconds making it highly transportable and easy to store.

Landeez wheelchairs can be hired up to one day per family, per week, from the following locations. Booking is essential.

ADDRESS	Dinosaur Isle, Culver Parade, Sandown, PO36 8QA
PHONE	01983 404344
ADDRESS	Sandown Lifeguard Station, Esplanade, Sandown, PO36 8AE

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01983 821000

"The club has provided us with the first non-school activity that my child is happy to attend."



If you have difficulty understanding this leaflet, please contact us on 01983 821000 and we will do our best to help you.