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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,



School Disco

Next Thursday, the final Thursday of the half term, the PTA have organised our school discos. There are two discos:

Disco One: 4:30pm – 5:45pm – **For YR and KS1 children only.**

Disco Two: 6:00pm – 7:30pm – **For KS2 children only.**

Children are only permitted into the disco for the appropriate age / key stage slot. We appreciate that many families have children in both key stages but, there is now a need to split the disco sessions due to the growing popularity of the event. This enables the children in each key stage to enjoy the disco at an age appropriate level. Therefore, there can be no exceptions to these rules. Thank you in advance for your understanding. The disco is £1 entry per child, payable in cash on the night. There are also a range of food items for sale at the disco, such as hot dogs or pizza slices, crisps, drinks, sweets. The children may also have their face painted or have a glitter tattoo or hair braid. It is always really helpful if the children bring change to these events as we are limited in the change we have in exchange for notes. Thank you. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Pancakes

On the final day of term the PTA are going to be selling pancakes at break time for 50p each. This will include a range of toppings of the children's choice. Children will eat their pancake(s) at a table in the hall before going out to play. Shrove Tuesday falls in half term this year – which is why we are having this on the last day of term. Please send 50p or £1 into school in a clearly named envelope on the day if you would like your child to have a pancake on Friday 9th February. Thank you.



Stay & Share the Learning

Many, many thanks to all the parents, carers and family members that came along to Stay and Share the Learning afternoons from Y1 to Y6 during the week. This is a good opportunity to see your child(ren) in the classroom environment, participating in an aspect of the Curriculum (with a little help) and also being able to see the children's work through their books. We hope this creates a discussion point for you as families, about the work produced and the learning taking place. Please complete the evaluation that has been sent home today as this is helpful for us.

Stars of the Week

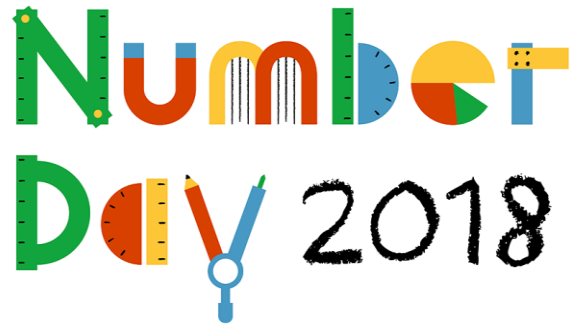
Stars of the week for this week – will be on the newsletter next week for presentation after half term, as in the coming week, we are having a mock SATs week and therefore the assembly will not be scheduled at 9am as usual. Thank you for your understanding. Look out for the Stars in next week's newsletter, for after half term. Thank you.

E-safety

We have had information into school this week alerting us again to some popular games (Roblox) and apps (Musical.ly) that put children at risk from predators. Please be really vigilant in supervising and monitoring your child's activity on electronic devices at all times. We will be covering this next week too during Safer Internet Day.

NSPCC – Number Day

We have all had a great day today taking part in the NSPCC Number Day. There have been so many maths related activities taking part in classrooms throughout the school. Thank you to all families for taking part and supporting the children with 'numbered' outfits. Please look out for us in the County Press soon. Money raised from Number Day will help many more children and young people to be kept safe and have a happier childhood.



Parent Governor

We are delighted to inform you, that following the application round, we have been successful in filling the position of parent Governor. Mrs Kirsty Ferrin, has accepted the role and will be joining the next meeting on 26th February.

Ryde School – Open Day (Y4 & Y5 pupils/families)

Ryde School has an open day this Saturday 3rd February for any pupils, parents/carers of children in Y5 or Y6. The open day is from 10am to 12.30pm.

Walk the Wight 2018.

This year the official Walk the Wight Event is on Sunday 13th May 2018. As part of the Schools Walk the Wight Event, schools can meet from 10am to complete the last section of the walk (4 miles) together. In advance of this there is the option to collect a map and stickers to record the walking you do between now and Walk the Wight, you can put a sticker onto your map for each mile walked. This is a fun engaging way to involve even the youngest of children in the event. Today, we have sent home the registration form. This must be completed and returned to school to register each child who would like to take part. We then pass all the information on. Please do try and involve yourselves. For fundraising in the form of sponsors to the event go to the IOW Hospice, a wonderful charity that benefits so many people on the IOW.

If you would like to take part please complete the following:

- Complete the registration form sent home in your child's book bag today - **one** registration form per child
- Ensure the registration forms are returned directly to the school, for processing, not to EMH
- The deadline for pupils to return the form to school is

1st March 2018

As this year is the 20th Anniversary of the event, there are 20 prizes to be given away – every child who raises £20 or more for the charity will be entered into the prize draw.

MOCK SATs week – Next week (Year 6)

Next week is mock SATs week in school. The purpose of this week is to prepare the children for the experience of SATs so they know what to expect when the statutory testing week comes round in May. The children are welcome into school from 8:15am, Monday to Thursday to enjoy a slice of toast and fruit juice with their friends. With full tummies, we then start by explaining the admin processes for tests (writing their full name correctly, school name, etc...) before we start the process of explaining the tests and sitting the tests in a really quiet school environment. It is good for all other classes to get used to the low level of noise needed during the week. Please check that your child is confident in writing their first, middle and surnames confidently and the school name, using capital letters correctly! Thank you.

Excellence for each child, each day



School Menu for this week:

Day	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Monday	Beef Burger in a Bun, Oven Baked New Potatoes, Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Vegetarian Burger in a Bun, Oven Baked New Potatoes, Broccoli, Sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Carrot & Sultana Cake with Custard		
Tuesday	Turkey & Vegetable Pie, Mashed Potato, Cauliflower, Green Beans	Mixed Bean Cassoulet, Mashed Potato, Cauliflower, Green Beans	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Tuti Fruity Tuesday!		
Wednesday	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots, Gravy	Vegetarian Wellington, Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Carrots,	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Peach Crumble & Custard		
Thursday	Beef Tortilla Stack, Rice, Garlic Slice, Roasted Vegetable Medley, Sweetcorn	Macaroni Cheese with Tomato Topping, Roasted Vegetable Medley, Sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Mandarin Jelly		
Friday	Salmon Fish Fingers, Chips, Tomato Sauce, Baked Beans, Peas	Cheese, Tomato & Spinach Frittata, Chips, Baked Beans, Peas	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Lemon Surprise Cake		

Dates for the Diary – More dates to follow next week

Date	Event
Sunday 4 th February	St Paul's Family Service 10:30am. Regent Street, Shanklin. All welcome.
Week 6	
ALL WEEK	Y6 MOCK SATs WEEK – Y6 to arrive from 8:15am for toast and juice!
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7 th February	Y2 & Y5 – Fire Safety Awareness
Thursday 8 th February	Y5 swimming at the heights
Thursday 8 th February	PTA DISCO £1 entry per child. Payable on the door. YR & KS1 4:30-5:45pm and KS2 6-7:30pm.
Friday 9 th February	YR Class Assembly 9am – all families & family members welcome to come along!
Friday 9 th February	Pancakes available in school today with a choice of a toppings. 50p each . Please on this occasion bring cash to school in a clearly named envelope to swap for a pancake (or two!) at break time. Thank you PTA.
Friday 9 th February	Last day of half term
HALF TERM BREAK – Monday 12th to Friday 16th February 2018	
Sunday 18 th February	Cross Country Championships at Smallbrook Stadium (see flyer sent home and on the school website)
Week 1	
Monday 19 th February	First day back to school after half term.
Thursday 22 nd February	Y5 swimming at the Heights
Friday 23 rd February	Y6 Class Assembly
Week 2	
Monday 26 th February	Inter-school Spelling Bee Competition – individual children have been informed.
Thursday 1 st March	All Walk the Wight Slips must be back by today if you are getting involved.
Thursday 1 st March	Y5 swimming at the Heights
Friday 2 nd March	World Book day – Dressing up day – Come to school dressed as a book character
Week 3	
Week 4	
Thursday 15 th March	Whole School Trip to Winchester Science Museum
Week 5	
Week 6	
Thursday 29 th March	Last day of Spring Term