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NEWSFLASH

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

We're half way through the academic year!!

It is quite remarkable to think we are now half way through the academic year! What a milestone for many. The children are all enjoying their time in their new classes and the stay and share the learning evaluations we have had to date talk positively of parent/carer interactions within the classroom environment. Thank you for coming along and joining in with learning taking place – it is so important that children have the positive experience to motivate and challenge them and build the home school links. It is this time in the year that we really promote the further independence of the children including, coming into school independently, putting their own books away in the correct place, filling water bottles, responsibility for passing letters/ reply slips to the teacher. This is all part of the children maturing at different ages/stages. Please can you support your children in becoming independent by encouraging and ensuring the children enter school independently and say goodbye at the door. This is how the building was designed. It keeps everyone safe by ensuring there are limited bodies in the cloakroom; which I have had a few parents discuss with me as a cause for concern. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation. Children in YR may still need a little guidance into and out of school but over the next term, it would be good to encourage the children to take responsibility for a few more things.

YR Class Assembly

A HUGE well done to each and every YR child who today performed a super assembly in front of the school. The children's confidence at standing, performing and singing in front of such a large audience was excellent. Well done for an amazing show of Sleeping Beauty. It was enjoyed I am sure by everyone that saw it. Thank you all for coming to see the children's hard work.



School Disco / PTA Funds.

Many thanks for supporting the school disco. The PTA raised an amazing £398 which now means that the total raised by the PTA in just over 18months has risen to just over £10,000!!! That is truly amazing and each and every person should be amazed at the hard work, voluntary contribution of time and effort that has gone into making this such a success by the PTA. Also a huge thank you to all children and families that have taken part in many wonderful events that have been organised. Your support of these is much appreciated. I can't wait to see how many people participate in the grow a pound event and the wonderful things that grow from the £1... please take some pictures, write a report, draw a picture of the wonderful things and bring them in to show the school after the break.

Excellence for each child, each day

Parents Evenings

On Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th February we will be holding mid-year parent's evenings for Year one to Year 6 pupils. This is an opportunity to come along and meet with your child's class teacher, receive their mid-year report and discuss the next steps of learning. There are sign-up sheets on the classroom doors. Do please make this a priority.

MOCK SATs week – Next week (Year 6)




We are extremely proud of each and every Y6 pupil who worked so hard during this week in completing mock SATs. This was an opportunity to prepare the children in many ways for the formal SATs process in May. As parents, you will receive feedback on how well the children have been doing as well as ideas to support your child with, during the final ten weeks, before the statutory SATs tests take place. Meetings will take place after half term with your child's class teacher where you will discuss the outcomes of these.

AGAT Session – Bollywood Dance

Last Week we took another group of children to the AGAT session that we participate in alongside other schools across the Island. The girls all had a super time performing with other children whilst learning the Bollywood dances. This is such an opportunity for the children of Gatten and Lake.



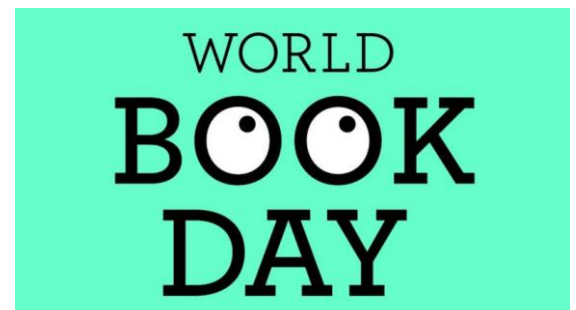
Stars of the Week

	This weeks "Stars"		We do hope you will be available to come and celebrate the children's work with us from 9-9.30am on Monday 19 th February. This is an opportunity to share in your child's achievement in school. 
Reception	Austin Renshaw	Layla-Mai Dennis	
Year One	Rebecca Moralee		
Year Two	Freddie Marjoram	Oliwia Adamczyk	
Year Three	William Leal		
Year Four	Ronnie Lawrence		
Year Five	Tyler Mooney		
Year Six	Sharnay Cook		

NEW: Weekly Science Award – Caitlin Birtwistle – Y5

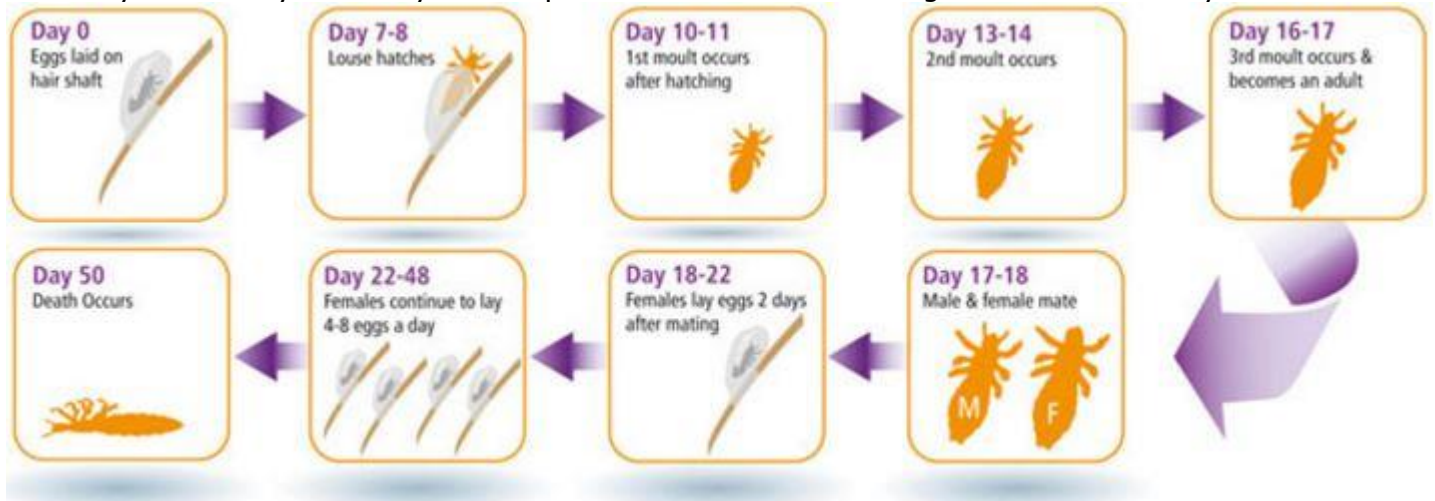
World Book Day

Friday 2nd March will be the school's chosen day for dressing up as part of the World Book Day celebrations. We ask that the children come to school dressed as a book character for the day. They may bring the book into school that indicates the character they represent. The children will bring home a £1 book voucher on that day. This can be taken to a bookshop, such as Waterstones, to pay for a World Book day £1 book or it can be used at the school book fair which is due to take place in the next term.



Head Lice

There has been an increase in the number of head lice reported to the school office in the last couple of weeks. Please can everyone please ensure they check their child's hair over half term and treat as necessary. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this necessary matter.



School Menu for this week:

Day	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Monday	Chicken Chow Mein, Sweetcorn, Green Beans	Potato & Courgette Layer Bake, Sweetcorn, Green Beans	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Fruit Yoghurt & Shortbread		
Tuesday	Chicken & Red Pepper Pizza, Baked Potato, Roasted Vegetables	Lentil & Vegetable Curry, Rice, Roasted Vegetables	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Apple & Mixed Berry Crumble & Custard		
Wednesday	Roast, Roast Potatoes, Carrot, Swede, Gravy	Cheese & Pepper Whirl, Roast Potatoes, Carrots & Swede	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Banana Sponge		
Thursday	Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce, Rice, Sweetcorn, Mixed Peppers	BBQ Quorn, Rice, Sweetcorn, Mixed Peppers	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Pineapple Upside down Cake with Custard		
Friday	Breaded Fish, Chips, Tomato sauce, Baked Beans & Peas	Glamorgan Sausage, Chips, Baked Beans & Peas	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Pear & Ginger Muffin		

Enjoy the half term break. Finger's crossed for some weather that enables us all to get out and about to enjoy some of the natural environments across the Isle of Wight at this time of year. It is a time to rest, refresh and recharge batteries now we are half way through the academic year. An opportunity to take stock and think about the goals we have all set ourselves in and out of school through the unit of work on 'Going for goals'. To think about the positive aspects of learning and achievement we have both achieved and aim to achieve as we look ahead to our next focus on 'Good to be me'.

Have a great half term.

Mrs Day

Dates for the Diary – More dates to follow after half term...

Date	Event
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.
Monday 26 th February	Y2, Y3, Y4, Y6 Parents Evenings
Tuesday 27 th February	Y1, Y2, Y3, Y5, Y4, Y6 Parents Evenings
Wednesday 28 th February	Y1, Y2, Y3, Y5, Y4, Y6 Parents Evenings
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	
Thursday 8 th March	Y5 swimming at the Heights
Friday 9 th March	Y4 Class Assembly
Week 4	
Thursday 15 th March	Whole School Trip to Winchester Science Museum
Week 5	
Tuesday 20 th March	School Council Shop
Wednesday 21 st March	Y1 Class Assembly
Thursday 22 nd March	Y5 swimming at the Heights
Friday 23 rd March	Y3 Class Assembly
Week 6	
Tuesday 27 th March	Y2 Class Assembly
Thursday 29 th March	Last day of Spring Term
Thursday 29 th March	Easter Raffle and Work exhibition – from 2pm