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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Keeping Children Safe Online Event – Tuesday 5th February

The Isle of Wight Local Children’s Safeguarding Board run three workshops a year covering the issues of Keeping Children Safe online. Gatten and Lake have volunteered the hall as a venue and we are really lucky to offer the training at the school in the National Week of Internet Safety Awareness.

This is due to be held on **Tuesday 5th February from 6:30-8:30pm** in the school hall. Having an evening meeting has advantages and disadvantages. However, I really do hope you will see the benefits of it providing clarity over online safety for children of all ages, a local venue, and an experienced speaker – Simon Snell with the expertise of the Local Children’s Safeguarding Board. This is also an opportunity to come along when the children are snuggled up in bed to listen to how to keep them nurtured, safe and happy, whilst still being able to enjoy the benefits of having the technological world we have today. I know this may be difficult for some people due to childcare, and the cold evenings can prevent people coming out again in the evening. However I really do advise, if you can, to come along please do. We would really like to welcome you, grandparents, carers, aunts, uncles, friends, to the event. This is an event open to professionals and families across the Isle of Wight. The more the merrier! To gauge an idea of numbers please call the office to book a space if you would like to come – although this is not essential, we have plenty of room. (869910)



Supporting NSPCC Number Day – Friday 1st February 2019

Thank you for your excellent items of clothing to support Number Day today. The children have had a brilliant day in school exploring and problems solving and reasoning with number. The children in KS1 and Reception enjoyed a carousel of maths games and activities within their class. The children in KS2 enjoyed a rotation between classes, working with a different teacher and solved a variety of problems both with resources and on the computer. Games and challenges included number, shape and position and even a few quizzes such as ‘Who wants to be a Mathionnaire’ and ‘Countdown’!

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 4th February . This is an opportunity to share in your child’s achievement in school. 
Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Year Six	
Jack Welsh	Lana Gardner	Callum Fitzpatrick	Elena Nikolaeva	
Donovan Dunn	William Leal	Sienna Wood	Olivia Gurney	
Jessica Morris		Chloe Welsh	Coen Duff	

Weekly Science Award – Tyler Leheup

East dene Residential Trip – Y3 parents for Y4 next September!

Many thanks to everyone who came to the information event on Tuesday after school. A letter has now been sent to all parents regarding consent forms and deposits, which are payable via school money.

Pupil Premium Funding

It has come to our attention that some families are unaware of additional funding that the school can receive, to support you and your family if you are on a low income. All schools plan to use this money in different ways. At Gatten and Lake, we use the funding for support towards the financial aspects of school life, such as trips and visits and also for breakfast club provision, as well as for additional learning needs, to support or challenge children. If your employment ever changes – either temporarily or permanently, we may be able to support you in applying for this funding stream.

Wight Music Tuition:

There are many music lessons available to pupils in schools with a wide range of instruments or using the voice. Apply online at: www.iwmt.org.uk Enquires can be made to: caroline@iwmt.org.uk or 07785 778222



School Disco

Thursday 14th February the PTA have organised our school discos. There are two discos:

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

Disco Two: 5:45pm – 7:00pm – **For KS2 children.**

The discos are split into two events so that the children can enjoy the discos with children within their key stage. 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 faces painted, 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, especially as we are a cashless school now, with the exception of fundraising events. Thank you. We look forward to seeing you all there. If you can volunteer to help please see Anna, chair of the PTA, as we need as much support as possible for these events.

Ryde School – Open Day (Y4, Y5 & Y6 pupils/families)

Ryde School has an open day this Saturday 2nd February for any pupils, parents/carers of children in Y4, Y5 or Y6. The open day is from 10am to 12.30pm.

Children's cloakrooms – Key stage Two

We are continuing to monitor the cloakrooms and to support the children to respect and look after their own belongings. We thank you for your continuing support in this matter.

Long hair

Please ensure all long hair is tied up each day for school. This is to avoid long hair not only trailing into work books and distracting learning, but also to prevent the spread of headlice between class mates. Please ensure all long hair is appropriately tied back at all times. Thank you.

Water bottles

In light of the pledge to stop using single use plastic, we are no longer purchasing plastic cups for the water dispensers. We have an alternative - Gatten and Lake Water bottles - that the School Council purchased for sale last year. They are available to buy at the school office for £1. These can be purchased and named in permanent pen then refilled daily from the water dispensers. It is important to keep hydrated during the day so every child is strongly advised to have a water bottle in school. Keeping hydrated is also part of keeping healthy, which the school promotes for the children. It is also vital for good digestion and bowel care. Water is also kind to our teeth, whereas other drinks can lead to tooth decay if sipped regularly throughout the day – so please always stick to water in the water bottles. Thank you.

Children's lunchboxes

Please ensure that packed lunches are carefully considered, as many off the shelf items contain high amounts of sugar. We are seeing more tooth decay in even the youngest of children. Alongside this, please can I remind you that products containing nuts and nut products are not permitted in school at any time. This includes products such as Nutella chocolate spread which contains nuts. We have children with severe allergies in school and this is part of minimising risks to any child. There are lots of other alternatives that are good choices such as ham, cheese, tuna, spread, salad, marmite, etc... Thank you for your consideration.



School Menu for this week:

Day	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Monday	Hot Dogs with Tomato Sauce & Wedges, Coleslaw & Green Salad	Veggie Hot Dog with Tomato Sauce & Wedges, Coleslaw & Green Salad	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Chocolate Shortbread/ Yogurt/ Fruit Salad		
Tuesday	Chicken Curry with Rice Broccoli & Carrots	Lentil & Vegetable Curry with Rice, Broccoli & Carrots	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Banana Sponge & Custard/ Yogurt/ Fruit Salad		
Wednesday	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes Cabbage & Green Beans, Gravy	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes, Cabbage & Green Beans, Gravy	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Apple, Cheese & Biscuits / Yoghurt / Fruit Salad		
Thursday	Spaghetti Bolognese, Peppers & Sweetcorn	Macaroni Cheese Peppers & Sweetcorn	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Mixed Fruit Crumble with Custard/ Yoghurt / Fruit Salad		
Friday	Battered Fish with Chips & Tomato Sauce, Baked Beans & Garden Peas	Spinach & Tomato Quiche with New Potatoes, Baked Beans & Garden Peas	Jacket Potato with: Cheese Baked Beans or Tuna Mayonnaise.
	Dessert: Yoghurt / Fruit Station		

Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Week 5	
Monday 4 th February	KS2 Star of the Week Assembly
Tuesday 5 th February	Whole School Theatre Performance in school during the morning
Tuesday 5 th February	Keeping Children safe Online Information session 6:30-8:30pm in the school hall (see notice at the top of the newsletter)
Wednesday 6 th February	Internet Safety Day in school
Thursday 7 th February	Y5 swimming at the heights
Week 6	
Monday 11 th February	KS1 Star of the Week Assembly
Thursday 14 th February	Y5 swimming at the heights
Thursday 14 th February	PTA Disco – YR/KS1 = 4:30-5:30pm & KS2 5:45-7pm - £1 entry per child.
Friday 15 th February	Last day of half term
HALF TERM BREAK – Monday 18 th to Friday 22 nd February 2019	
Week 1	

Have an enjoyable weekend. Wrap up nice and warm during this cold snap. Hopefully it will blow away the coughs and cold germs that are around at the moment.

Mrs Rebecca Day