

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

11TH SEPTEMBER - ISSUE 1

Headteacher's Welcome

What an excellent first full week! I am so proud of how the children have returned to school and are so keen to achieve in their learning. Reception pupils have been superstars in their first full week of school too!

This week we held our school ambassador elections and I was so impressed with the children who stood forward. Their speeches were well thought out and they spoke with confidence and clarity. I am delighted to announce that Amelia, Izzy and Teddy are our new School Ambassadors.

We also held our school council elections and have 2 representatives from each class. Not all of our pupils were present today so we will have a photograph next week.

Finally, I wanted to say a huge thank you to the parents, staff and children involved in supporting the Randonee refreshments last weekend. I know it is a big fundraiser for the school PTA and we are so proud of how our children interacted with the members of the public. I have received many comments on how well they spoke and supported the event.



Monday 14th September -
Peter Murray author visit.

Tuesday 15th - Peter Murray
book signings

Friday September 25th -
School Photographer taking
individual pupil photos

Inset Dates 26/27
Tues 1st Sept
Weds 2nd Sept
Thurs 15th Oct
Fri 16th Oct

Class Attendance - week ending 11 th September 26	
Reception Class	93.3 %
Year 1 Class	97.1 %
Year 2 Class	98.5 %
Year 3 Class	94.2 %
Year 4 Class	96.4 %
Year 5 Class	97.2 %
Year 6 Class	98.5 %
Whole School Attendance	97.2 %

Is my child well enough to attend school today?

You may find the following website useful to refer to, if you are concerned whether your child is well enough to attend.

[NHS UK](https://www.nhs.uk)



Visit our Facebook page for more pictures

Year 6

What a fantastic start to the new school year we have had in Year 6! Everyone has settled into school brilliantly and it has been wonderful to see so many happy and enthusiastic faces.

A huge well done to all the children who put themselves forward to become School Ambassadors. You all wrote and delivered wonderful speeches to the rest of the school. You showed great courage, confidence and passion, sharing some fantastic ideas about how we can make our school even better. You should all be very proud of yourselves!

In English, we have started our new book as part of the Barnabus Project. We have been developing our inference skills by looking carefully at pictures and using clues to make predictions. This has led to some fantastic discussions and thoughtful ideas.

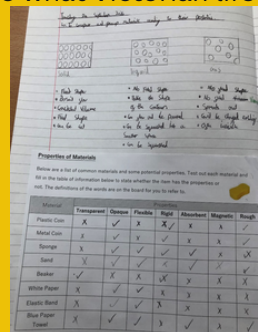
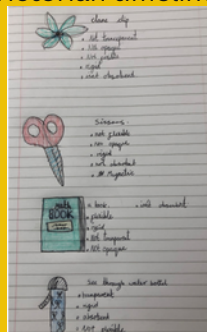
Well done, Year 6! You have made a brilliant start to the year.



Year 5

It has been a week full of hard work in Year 5 this week as we begin our opening learning topics for this half-term. In

Maths, we have been learning the place value of numbers up to a million, with lots of different concepts and strategies being explored. We have also started our first English book of the year: The Night Gardener by Terry Fan, which is a book about someone who uses trees to create topiaries. The children have enjoyed the opening pages of the book and are eager to find out what happens next week. In Science, we started 'Properties of Materials' where we learnt about solids, liquids and gases before exploring some of the properties of different materials. We learnt that not all metal is magnetic and some objects can be translucent or opaque, or rigid or flexible. In History, we looked at a Victorian timeline and started to look into what Victorian life was like.



Year 4

Year 4 have made a fantastic start to the new school year, settling into their new classroom so well. They have quickly learned where everything is and have adapted brilliantly to their new routines. We have been thinking carefully about our new targets for the year ahead, and it has been wonderful to see the children already showing greater independence and taking more responsibility for their learning. We are so proud of how confidently they have returned to school and are looking forward to all they will achieve this year!



Year 3

Year 3 thoroughly enjoyed bringing our English learning journey, How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth, to life this week! The children took part in a fun 'hot-seating' activity, where they acted out the different steps needed to wash a woolly mammoth. They then used this experience to develop and extend their instructions, adding descriptive adjectives to make their writing more detailed and engaging



Year 2

What a fantastic start to Year 2! This week we have enjoyed using atlases to revise some of our Year 1 Geography recapping the countries and seas of the UK. We have also been using base 10 to help us understand numbers to 100.



Year 1

What a great first week back Year 1 has had! We have focused a lot on the routines of the school day and the I have been impressed with how quickly they have learnt them. This week they have enjoyed counting in maths using objects and representing this in a tens frame. In science, they were investigating the objects around school and deciding if they were plants or not plants.



EYFS

Reception class have had a fantastic first full week at school. They have enjoyed exploring inside and outside and beginning to build trusting relationships with their peers and adults alike. We are really proud of how well they have settled in – they have even managed to do some challenge activities!



Best You can Be

Joey - For amazing participation in Phonics lessons and reading groups.

Vesper - For working hard in her lessons and for persevering with her work.

Apollo - For settling into Bembridge CE Primary and being so enthusiastic when participating in his learning.

Doug - For excellent effort and presentation in both English and Maths.

Belle - For her excellent effort in lessons and always listening well to instructions in class.

Summer - For having a fantastic start to Year 6. You start every day with a positive attitude and trying her best in every lesson.



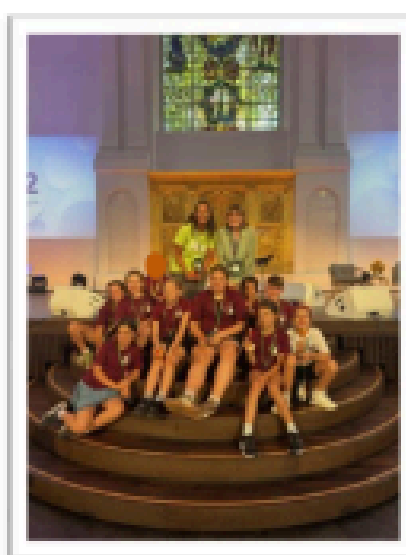
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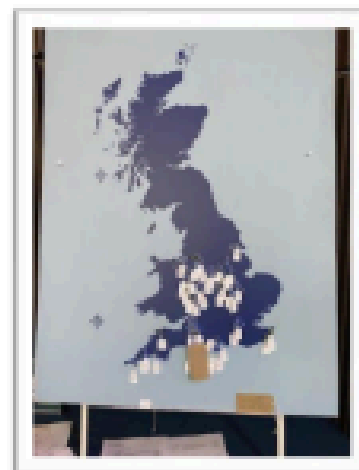
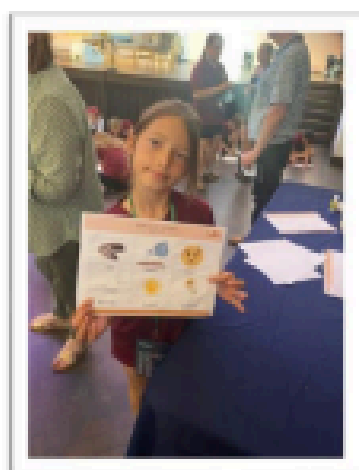
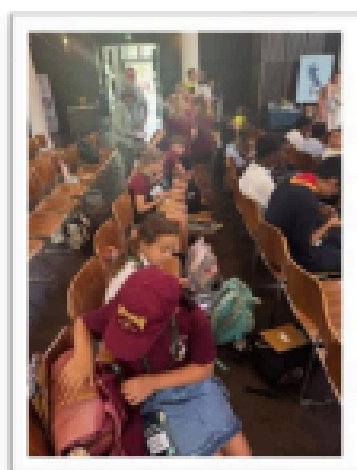


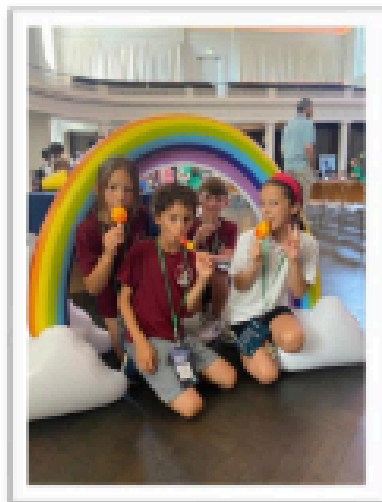
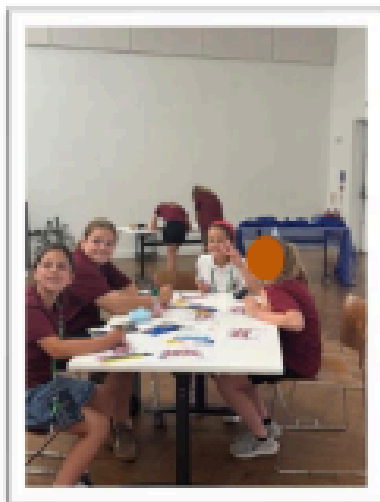
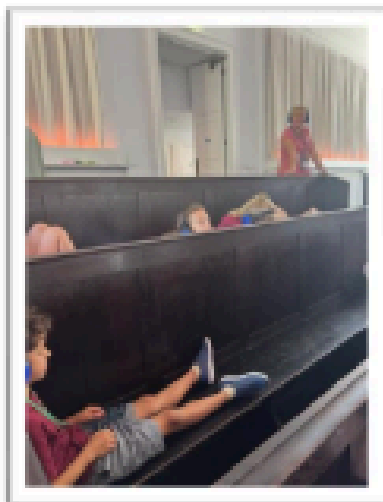
Your Next Flourish Event is 25th September 2026 and the theme will be Harvest and the Creation Story

**In the spirit of developing an 'Attitude of Gratitude',
we give thanks for our Summer Flourish Gathering in London!**



Despite the very hot day, the children enjoyed a GREAT TIME with creative activities based on the seasons, worship, relaxation with inspirational readings, making bead bracelets and lunch. There was also excitement around seeing the London sights enroute! The map shows how wide the Flourish net spread across the country, drawing school participation into the event. Needless to say, that our Bembridge Primary School children started to make additional friendships.





About Flourish Events at School

The Flourish Family Events are open to **every child** in school, KS1 and KS2. Children need to attend the events with a responsible adult and as long as the school and Heather are made aware, parents can coordinate together: 1 adult per 4 children. Siblings younger and older are all welcome. **Invitations go out the Friday before the Event, but you can book at any time. Please respond directly to Heather, via her school email:**

h.gray-newton@bembidgeprimary.co.uk

Please give the following information:

1. The name of your children attending (incl. siblings)
2. Their year group
3. The name and relationship of the adult(s) attending and

responsible for each child.

REMINDER: Parents are to collect their children from

school, as usual, and then come into the Flourish Event together, via the Main Reception. **Parents and children must come in together. NEW INFORMATION:** For when it is appropriate through the year, please know that it's absolutely fine for you and your child/children to arrive later after swimming. Please just come in quietly, register and take a seat! Thank you!

The children are coached in advance, so that they lead and participate as much as possible. Each event is **FREE** and this is what you can typically expect:

- * A Warm Welcome - with refreshments and snacks along with an initial activity for the children to enjoy!
- * An Interactive Story
- * 60second Sermon!



HOTBOX Pizzas!

- * Songs - that ALL the children that wish to, can participate
- * Choice of Creative Activities
- * Prayers and Blessing
- * Food! – Approx. 4.15pm start.

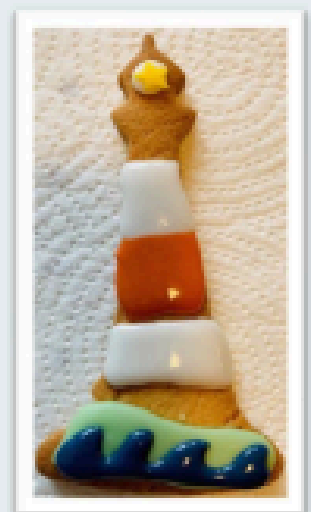
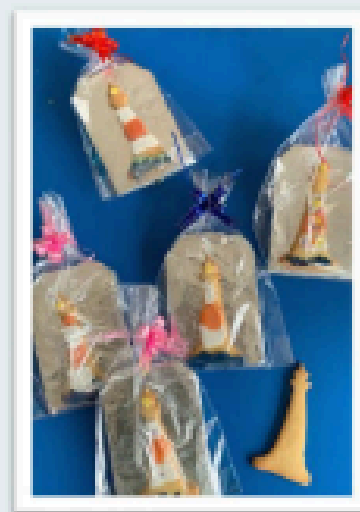
Other NEWS

Sunday Club at Church (weekly 10:30 to approx. 11:30)

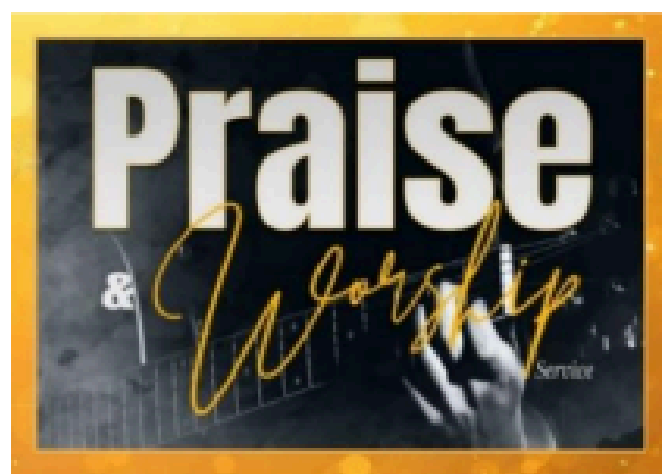
Currently we are making 'Story Boxes' at Sunday Club, with a seasonal Harvest theme!

At the end of the summer, as we approached returning to school, we considered Jesus as being the light to our path, guiding us through life embracing the lighthouse as metaphor. Using royal icing, the children iced shortbread lighthouses!

EVERY SUNDAY, we meet in church at 10.30am, where the children stay for the opening hymn before making their way to the 'Mouse Hole' in the Cloisters. Each week we enjoy: • Bible stories and discussions • Crafts and creative activities • Worship songs • Games and snacks • Lots of fun together! Sunday Club finishes at 11.30am. You can drop in on any Sunday! Should you wish to find out more, please speak to Heather – we'd love to welcome you! Thank you!



The Next Contemporary Service: Sunday, 20th September.



Curious about faith, or just wondering if there's more to life?

**Join us for praise and worship
4pm - 5pm on Sunday, 20th September.**

Everyone is welcome at our new relaxed, modern service at Holy Trinity Bembridge.

There will be coffee, live modern music and a short thought provoking talk about life and hope.

It could be exactly what you have been looking for.

With kind regards, Heather (Flourish Lead).

A Prayer for Goodbyes and New Beginnings

Dear God,

As we say our goodbyes, bless all those who are moving on to new places and new adventures.

Thank you for the memories we have shared, the friendships we have built, and the moments that have shaped us.

Give us courage for the new beginnings ahead, and help us to carry kindness, hope and confidence into everything we do.

May we stay connected to one another in love, and may each new step be guided by joy and strength.

Amen.



Extra-Curricular Sports Information Guide

At Bembridge CE Primary School, we believe that sport should be enjoyable, inclusive, and accessible to every child. Our extra-curricular programme offers a wide range of opportunities for pupils to stay active, learn new skills, and represent the school with pride.

After-School Sports Clubs

We offer a variety of after-school clubs throughout the year, giving children the chance to explore different sports and develop their confidence. Activities range from football and tag rugby to skateboarding and other exciting options.

- Clubs change each term
- New information is shared ahead of each half term
- All children are welcome to join, regardless of experience

These clubs focus on enjoyment, skill-building, and encouraging children to try something new.



Competitive Sports Opportunities

Mr Collings, supported by Mrs Howells, organises a wide range of competitive fixtures with schools across the Island—and occasionally on the mainland. These events give children the chance to challenge themselves, work as a team, and experience the excitement of representing Bembridge.

How team selection works

- Children who have shown interest in a particular sport may be invited to take part
- Selection depends on the competitiveness of the match
- Teams are often organised with Island sports coordinators to ensure fair and balanced games
- The school is committed to providing equal opportunities for girls and boys

This approach helps ensure that matches are enjoyable, well-matched, and positive experiences for all involved.

Friendly Matches

For friendlies, a wider range of children may be invited to participate. These fixtures are ideal for pupils who want to gain experience, try out a new sport, or simply enjoy being part of a team.

Because of the number of children interested, not everyone will play in every match. However, our aim is that as many children as possible have the chance to represent the school by the end of the year.

Sport for Fun: Festivals & Events

Not all sport has to be competitive. For children who prefer a more relaxed, fun-focused approach, we offer:

- Change for Life Festivals
- The Peach Games

These events celebrate participation, teamwork, and enjoyment, making them perfect for children who want to be active without the pressure of competition.

Getting Involved

Children who are interested in representing the school—whether competitively or in friendly festivals—are encouraged to speak to:

- Mr Collings
- Mrs Howells, during PE
- Putting their name on the 'Who is interested?' sheet with their class teacher.

We welcome enthusiasm at every level and love seeing pupils take pride in their sporting journey.



Safeguarding Information

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child, please phone the school office 01983 872668 and ask to speak to the Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs Wall or the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads: Mrs Lingard-Lane, Mrs King or Mrs Swinscoe.

If your concern is URGENT, please contact:
Children's Service MASH telephone number - 01983 823435

You can also find details on how to report a concern about a child and other support at <https://www.iowscp.org.uk/>

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads:



Mrs Chambers



Mrs King



Mrs Swinscoe

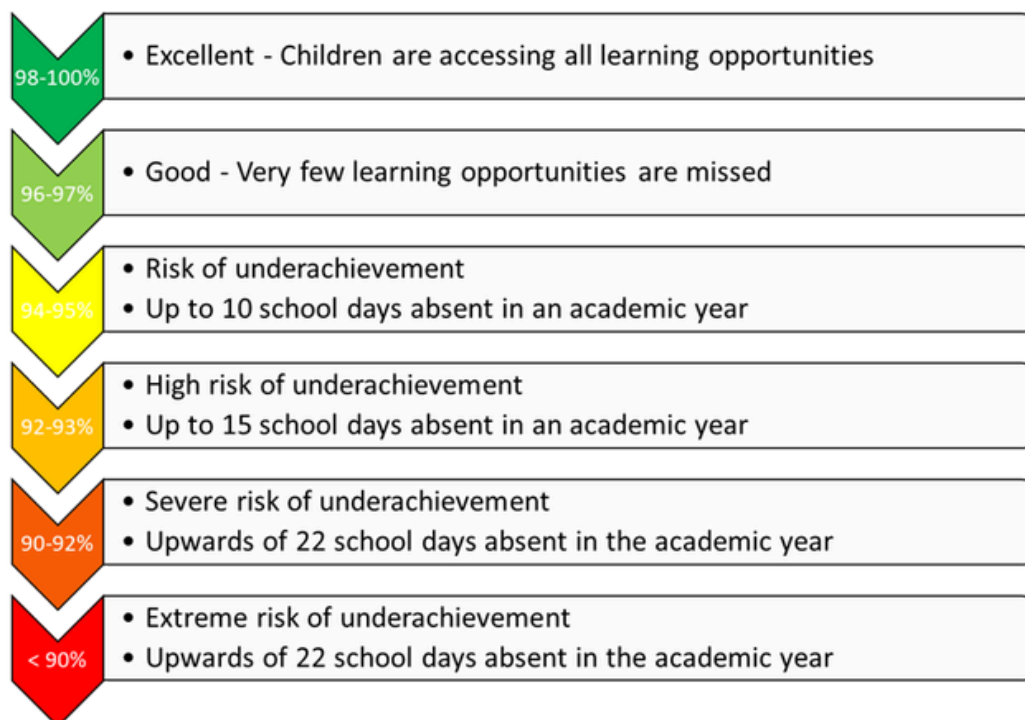


Attendance Policy Quick Guide for Parents

We expect pupils to attend school for 100% of the academic year.

- You can support your child to have excellent attendance by taking these steps:
- Ensure your child arrives on time for school every day between 8:20am and 8:30am and is ready to learn. Arriving after registration is recorded as an unauthorised absence. Pupils must be in school by 8:30 am.
- Avoid taking holidays during term time.
- If your child appears to be only slightly ill, send them in to school. We have staff who will contact you if their condition deteriorates.
- Book any medical appointments outside of school hours. If this is unavoidable, please book for as late in the afternoon as possible and inform the school of appointments in advance.
- Supply a copy of the appointment card or hospital letter if your child has an appointment during school hours.

If your child becomes reluctant to go to school or you need help, please contact the school immediately; we are more likely to be able to work together to solve any problems if we act early.



‘On the day’ absences: what should I do if my child is not ‘fit’ to go into school?

On each day your child is unfit to come to school, please report this absence by calling the Attendance line on 01983 872668 (option1) before 8:20am or by email to office@bembridgeceprimary.co.uk to let us know.

In the message you must leave your child’s full name, year and tutor group and give the specific reason for absence. The information you give will be recorded on our official register.

Punctuality

Pupils are expected to arrive on time for school in the morning at 8:30am and for every lesson during the day. Your child is late to school if they are not in the school building by 8:30am and will be classed as an unauthorised absence if after 8:50am. The Government remains very clear that no child should miss school apart from in exceptional circumstances and schools must continue to take steps to reduce absence to support children's attainment. I hope we can count on your support in this matter.

Please contact Emma Swinscoe, Administration and Attendance Officer if you require any support with ensuring your child's regular school attendance.

Is my child well enough to attend school today?

You may find the following website useful to refer to, if you are concerned whether your child is well enough to attend.

<https://www.what0-18.nhs.uk/parentscarers/worried-your-child-unwell/child-unwell-ok-go-nurseryschool>

Needing support?

If we don't know, we can't help.

Please get in touch if you are in need of any support regarding your family: such as housing, finances, food banks, clothing, parenting advice, etc. Contact the office to arrange a conversation with Mrs Swinscoe, Mrs Lingard-Lane or Mrs King who can give you information on support available.



**September Services at
Holy Trinity Church and St Luke's Chapel***

6 September Sunday	8:00am	Holy Communion, BCP* at St Luke's
	10.30am	Morning Worship at Holy Trinity
	4.00pm	Contemporary Service at Holy Trinity
13 September Sunday	8:00am	NO SERVICE at St Luke's
	10.30am	Holy Communion at Holy Trinity
20 September Sunday	8:00am	Holy Communion, BCP* at St Luke's
	10.30am	Morning Worship with something for all-ages including Trinity Church Mice Sunday
	4.00pm	Contemporary Service at Holy Trinity
27 September Sunday	8:00am	Holy Communion, BCP* at St Luke's
	10.30am	Morning Worship at Holy Trinity

Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you.

The third Sunday of the month is '**Mouse Sunday**' where our very popular Pre-School Nurture group Trinity Church Mice will be open. You can join us in the Mouse-hole from 10.00am onwards or enjoy the start of our all-age Service at 10.30am and then come on over. Mouse-hole activities for all ages will conclude with a drink and biscuit just after 11.00am. This will give the Mice the opportunity to jingle their bells and share a favourite song of Mouse-hole wild worship, as we join with the congregation at the end of the Service.

office@bembridgeholytrinity.org.uk
www.bembridgeholytrinity.org.uk



CHRIST THE KING COLLEGE

Pupils in **Year 6** and their parents/carers are invited to our

OPEN EVENING

Thursday 17th Sept 2026
5.30-7.30pm

Email: admissions@christthekingcollege.co.uk



Carisbrooke College

Year 6 Open Evening

Tuesday 29 September 2026 | 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Please join us for:

- ☐ A presentation from the Headteacher (repeated at 5:15, 6:00 & 6:45 pm)
- ☐ Tours of the school and our facilities
- ☐ Opportunities to meet staff (including SEND) and current students
- ☐ Interactive subject demonstrations

All welcome - no need to book!

carisbrooke.iow.sch.uk



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Year 7 Open Evening

Thursday 1st October 2026,
5.00-7.30pm

Presentation at 5.00pm and 6.00pm followed by tours of the Secondary School.

Open Morning: Tuesday 6th October, 9.00-11.00am,
please call to book an appointment.

Contact us for more information: Telephone: 01983 403284 Email: office@bayceschool.org Website: bayceschool.org



YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2026
5.00 - 8.00 PM

- ✓ Explore our facilities
- ✓ Meet staff and students
- ✓ See our curriculum in action
- ✓ Discover extra-curricular and enrichment opportunities

Every young person
deserves a path.
Come and discover yours...

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Lift Ryde

Lift Ryde Open Evening

October 7th
4:00pm - 7:00pm

Parent Presentations 4:30pm and 5:30pm



WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

Friday 18 September
9.30am - 12.30pm

Come and meet our pupils, staff and see what a real school day is like.

Arrival from 9.15am

Tours start at 9.30am

Followed by a talk from the Head Master, Will Turner.

Over an informal buffet lunch meet staff including our admissions team who can update you on application, scholarships and bursaries, to discuss how we can support the next step in your child's education.

Book at
rydeschool.org.uk



Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6th Form
2026-27 Open Day/Evening dates
(as at 1/6/2026)

School/College	Date	Time
Carisbrooke College	29 September 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
Christ the King College	17 September 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
	11 November 2026	6 th Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
Covers Enterprise College	15 th October 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
	9 November 2026 - 11 December 2026	6 th Form Open Month
Inland Free School	19 October 2026	Y6 open day: 09.30-1pm
		Headmaster's Talks at 10am, 11am and 12noon
Medina College	22 September 2026	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
	29 September 2026 8 October 2026 13 October 2026	Open mornings 9.30-12noon
Lift Ryde	7 October 2026	Y6 & Y5 Open Evening
	10 October 2026	Quiet School Tours and meet the Headteacher sessions
	18 November 2025	6 th Form Open Evening
Ryde School	3 October 2026	Y6 and 6 th Form Open Morning: 10-12.30pm
St George's School	7 October 2026	Open event: tours at 1.15pm (limited spaces during the school day) Y6 and 6 th Form 3.30pm and 4.30pm Please note that the child MUST have an EHCP as an admissions criterion. Please call St George's to book a place
The Bay CE School	1 October 2026	Y6 Open Evening: 5-7.30pm
The Island V6 Form	12 November 2026	V6 Form open evening: 5-8pm
The Isle of Wight College	17 September 2026	5-7pm Open Evening
	7 November 2026	10am-1pm Open Day
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Tel: 861222 or email: mail@prioryschool.org.uk

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After School POTTERY CLUB

Starting Friday 11th September
4pm - 5.30pm

6 week course includes pottery wheel, sculpting & painting.
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Free open days at Newport museums

MUSEUM of ISLAND HISTORY

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SMALL MUSEUMS heritage open days BIG ON HISTORY

Saturday 12 September
10am to 1pm

- Discover Isle of Wight history
- Part of a Newport-wide programme of heritage events
- Join the immersive 'Mew in Newport' walk*

Saturday 19 September
10am to 2pm

- Fun hands-on activities
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*Led by StoneCrabs Theatre. Meet at 11am at the propellor opposite Quay Arts.
Booking essential. For tickets (£10) visit mewinnewport.eventbrite.co.uk

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iow.gov.uk/museums
museums@iow.gov.uk

Isle of Wight Council

Events organised by Isle of Wight Heritage Service

CAN YOU HEAR US?

CREATIVE ISLAND
Presents

11TH SEPTEMBER –
24TH OCTOBER 2026

Celebrating all
that the Island is

Folkstastic Isle

storytelling



Storytellers Holly Medland and Corey Gibbs invite children and families to hear about unique Island Stories and Legends, in an interactive workshop.

What is the Roman River Sprite?
Who is the Brading Roma Villa's 'Gallus' character?
What is the significance of a running hare?

Lord Louis Library | Newport
September 12th | 1100-1200

- ♦ Free
- ♦ Booking essential
- ♦ Suitable for ages 5-12

newcastle carnival ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND CAN YOU HEAR US? HiWCF

Folkstastic Isle

THE Exhibition



New Carnival invites you to explore the Islands Folk Heritage through the art of the people; Seasonal Celebrations, Stories, Myths and Legends of the Isle of Wight.

Lord Louis Library | Newport
September 8th - 15th | 0900-1730
*closed Weds 9th

Dimbola Museums & Galleries | Freshwater
September 21st - October 4th | 1000-1600

Graft Studios | Sandown
October 10th - 18th | 1000-1600

HiWCF CAN YOU HEAR US? CREATIVE ISLAND

Folkstastic Isle

Magic show



New Carnival and the Shipwreck Museum present a Magic Show 'Ghost Ship HMS Eurydice'.

Based on the 1878 shipwreck off the Isle of Wight.

Lord Louis Library | Newport
September 12th | 1300-1400

Dimbola Museums & Galleries | Freshwater
October 2nd | 1900-2000

Graft Studios | Sandown
October 10th | 1900-2000

HiWCF CAN YOU HEAR US? CREATIVE ISLAND

Folkstastic Isle

THE Show



New Carnival and the Isle of Wight College performing arts students present Folkstastic Isle - On Stage. Featuring Folk Stories of the Island, brought to life with New Carnival's spectacular giant costumes and puppets.

Victoria Recreation Newport
Ventnor Exchange Arena
September 13th | 1430-1530

Freshwater Memorial Hall
Freshwater
September 26th | 1830-2000

Ventnor Exchanged Arena
Browns Golf Course Sandown
October 18th | 1430-1530

HiWCF CAN YOU HEAR US? CREATIVE ISLAND

Community-Led Paper Art Installation & Drop-in Workshop

IW NATIONAL LANDSCAPE

Explore mark making with natural paints and materials with artist Laura Hathaway. Create your own paper artwork, and add it to the growing installation.

- 19th - 20th SEPTEMBER
- 12PM - 4PM
- COMPTON BAY, FRESH-WATER
- FREE
- ★ WORKSHOP

On The Shoulders – Pirates of the Carabina

VENTNOR EXCHANGE

A breathtaking aerial and acrobatic circus show celebrating female solidarity and intergenerational connection.

- 19th - 20th SEPTEMBER
- 2PM - 3PM & 7:30PM - 8:30PM
- VENTNOR EXCHANGE ARENA, NEWPORT
- £8 - £20
- ★ CIRCUS



The Harvest Moon

SOMEWHEN SURVIVAL SOCIETY

An intimate evening of performance, folklore and communal dining.

- 19th SEPTEMBER
- 2PM - 3:30PM & 7:30PM - 9PM
- SHALFLEET VILLAGE HALL
- OVER £10
- ★ THEATRE

Free Public Exhibition

INDEPENDENT ARTS

Showcasing artwork inspired by seeds and wildflower meadows, created during recent workshops.

- 21st - 26th SEPTEMBER
- 10AM - 4:30PM
- INDEPENDENT ARTS, NEWPORT
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION

'Folkstastic Isle' Touring Exhibition

NEW CARNIVAL COMPANY

Celebrating the Isle of Wight's folk heritage, inspired by two years of exploring seasonal customs, stories, myths and legends.

- 21st - 27th SEPTEMBER
- 10AM - 4PM
- DIVISOLA MUSEUMS & GALLERIES, FRESHWATER
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION

SingAbout Together

INDEPENDENT ARTS

Fun social singing event open to all ages.

- 23rd SEPTEMBER
- 1:30PM - 3PM
- VENTNOR EXCHANGE ARENA, NEWPORT
- DONATIONS
- ★ SINGING

Common Place Exhibition

COMMON PLACE

Celebrating the creative lives and work of people in Brightstone.

- 25th SEPTEMBER
- 9:30AM - 4PM
- 26th SEPTEMBER
- 9:30AM - 5PM
- DEPARTMENT, RYDE
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION

Common Place Exhibition Guided Tours

COMMON PLACE

Visit during this date and time for a guided tour with the carolers.

- 26th SEPTEMBER
- TOURS START AT 12PM & 2PM
- DEPARTMENT, RYDE
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION



IW College 'Folkstastic Isle' Performance

NEW CARNIVAL COMPANY

New Carnival and Isle of Wight College performing arts students present 'Folkstastic Isle', a lively performance bringing the Island's best-loved folk tales to life.

- 26th SEPTEMBER
- 6:30PM - 8PM
- FRESHWATER MEMORIAL HALL
- FREE
- ★ CARNIVAL

The Harvest Moon

SOMEWHEN SURVIVAL SOCIETY

An intimate evening of performance, folklore and communal dining.

- 26th SEPTEMBER
- 7:30PM - 9PM
- NTON VILLAGE HALL
- OVER £10
- ★ THEATRE

Community-Led Paper Art Installation & Drop-in Workshop

IW NATIONAL LANDSCAPE

Explore mark making with natural paints and materials with artist Laura Hathaway. Create your own paper artwork, and add it to the growing installation.

- 26th - 27th SEPTEMBER
- 12PM - 4PM
- COMPTON BAY, FRESH-WATER
- FREE
- ★ WORKSHOP



Gypsy Jazz Busking Performance

MONKTON ARTS

A celebration of gypsy jazz music, bringing world-class musicians and Island performers together in Ryde. Pop-up Performance by JC & Kathy Grimshaw.

- 27th SEPTEMBER
- 11AM - 1PM
- ROYAL VICTORIA ARCADE, RYDE
- FREE
- ★ MUSIC

Free Public Exhibition

INDEPENDENT ARTS

Showcasing artwork inspired by seeds and wildflower meadows, created during recent workshops.

- 28th SEPTEMBER - 3rd OCTOBER
- 10AM - 4:30PM
- INDEPENDENT ARTS, NEWPORT
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION



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- 29th SEPTEMBER - 2nd OCTOBER
- 9:30AM - 6PM
- DEPARTMENT, RYDE
- FREE
- ★ EXHIBITION

Arts and Craft Workshop

INDEPENDENT ARTS

An hour of arts and craft, inspired by summer meadows.

- 30th SEPTEMBER
- 10AM - 11AM
- LORD LOUIS LIBRARY, NEWPORT
- DONATION
- ★ WORKSHOP

This Way Up: Film Night

DEPARTMENT

This Way Up is showing the PG Family / Comedy film, Fantastic Mr Fox.

- 30th SEPTEMBER
- 7:30PM - 9PM
- DEPARTMENT, RYDE
- UNDER £5
- ★ FILM

This Way Up: Rainbow Road Rumble

DEPARTMENT

This Way Up presents Department's first Mario Kart Competition, Rainbow Road Rumble. For young people, by young people.

- 1st OCTOBER
- 7PM - LATE
- DEPARTMENT, RYDE
- UNDER £5
- ★ MULTI-DISCIPLINARY

GET ON STAGE

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Do You Love Christmas as Much as We Do?

Come and Join Our Cast!

Be part of this year's magical Christmas productions!

Sunday 6th September
Learn about the show

Sunday 13th September
Auditions

New Members Always Welcome!

Sign up today at
www.GetOnStage.co.uk

Newport Methodist Church Hall

Saturday 19th December 6pm.

Sunday 20th December 11am

Adults £10

Children £8

Family (2A+2C) £32

Bookings at www.GetOnStage.co.uk

You're Invited

REOPENING OF

COWES FAMILY CENTRE

SUPPORTING FAMILIES and STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

Come and celebrate with us!



VENUE

Cowes Family Centre, Love Lane, Cowes



DATE

Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 10:00 AM



PROGRAMME

Session one (Families)

10:00am to 12:00pm

Ribbon cutting ceremony

hosted by Councillor Freeman

10:30am

Session two (Professionals)

1:00pm to 3:00pm



Find out more on the Isle of Wight Family Information Hub What's On
<https://tinyurl.com/2c964zbz>



Coming to
Ryde Family Hub
in September

Parenting Puzzle and the Nurturing Programme



Both courses can help you:

- Understand your child's emotional needs
- Build stronger communication and connection
 - Manage behaviour positively
- Feel more confident in your parenting

Parenting Puzzle - **4 sessions** for parents and carers only whose children are aged **3 to 5 years**.

The Nurturing Programme runs for **8 sessions** and is for parents and carers only whose children are aged **5 to 13 years**.

Please speak with your setting or contact us via our website - link below or scan the QR code:
www.isleofwightfamilycentres.org.uk



Online Workshops

- Free impartial advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

3 SEPT

13:30

Responding to a draft EHCP

If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft

10 SEPT

10:00

Appeals to SEND Tribunal

A step-by-step guide through the appeals process

16 SEPT

12:00

Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support

Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP

7 SEPT

12:00

Considering an EHC Plan?

Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process

17 SEPT

13:30

Responding to a draft EHCP

If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft

21 SEPT

10:00

Alternative Provision

What constitutes as a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act

www.iowsendiass.org.uk/workshops

Parenting Children with Autism

Do you have a 3-11 years old child with autism or autism traits?

Join our free course on Zoom for parents and carers in Hampshire

From 30th September to 25th November 2026
9.30 - 11.30 am, on Wednesdays

FREE online course
8 weeks, term-time only



Book by emailing:

info@sfrust.org.uk

Understand more about autism and learn about:

- Understanding your child and their behaviour
- Sleep, eating, toileting and ARFID
- Anxiety, sensory needs and demand avoidance
- Meltdowns, shutdowns and aggression
- Positive parenting and stronger relationships
- School, masking, burnout and family life

Neurodivergence	Behaviour		Routines	(Child to Parent Violence and Aggression)		Adolescence	Awareness
Understanding Neurodivergence Through the Child's Perspective: Explores the lived experiences of neurodivergent children, with a focus on ADHD and Autism. This session highlights how traits may present uniquely in different individuals and offers inclusive, strengths-based strategies to support regulation, connection, and wellbeing. Emphasis is placed on seeing the world through the child's lens, honouring their ways of thinking, feeling, and interacting.	Exploring the Science of Behaviour Through a Neurodiversity Lens: Introduces compassionate frameworks for understanding behaviour as communication. Topics include the iceberg model, window of tolerance, Maslow's hierarchy of needs, and the assault cycle, all explored in ways that respect individual differences in regulation, sensory processing, and unmet needs. The focus is on building insight and empathy to support co-regulation and connection.	Exploring Supportive Parenting in the Context of Anxiety: Considers how different parenting approaches can influence anxiety-related behaviours, with reference to Bowlby, Baumrind and Ainsworth's foundational work on attachment. This is not a parenting course, but an opportunity to reflect on how our caregiving styles may interact with neurodivergent experiences and shape emotional development across life.	Exploring the Power of Predictability and Supportive Boundaries: This session highlights how consistent routines and clear, compassionate boundaries can create a sense of safety and autonomy for all family members. Together, we'll explore different types of boundaries and co-develop practical, flexible strategies to introduce or reintroduce structure in ways that are tailored to each individual's needs and strengths.	Understanding Child-to-Parent Distress Responses: An overview of behaviours such as aggression explored through the lens of perceived unmet needs, emotional regulation and relationships. Includes practical tools like safety planning, the communication wheel, de-escalation strategies and key concepts such as Dan Siegel's flipping the lid. Emphasises compassionate, strengths-based support for both children and caregivers.	Supporting Restful Sleep in Neurodivergent Children: Explores gentle, flexible strategies to nurture healthy sleep patterns, with insights informed by guidance from the Southampton Sleep Clinic. This session recognises the diverse sensory, emotional, and cognitive needs that can influence sleep, and offers practical, compassionate approaches that honour each child's unique rhythms and experiences.	Embracing the Adolescent Journey: Exploring the natural evolution of identity, brain development, emotional regulation, and how to offer strengths-based, inclusive support	Navigating Seasonal Sensory Experiences: Explores how transitions, traditions, and celebrations such as Halloween, Bonfire Night, and Christmas can influence sensory processing and regulation. This session reflects on the impact of increased sensory input during these times and offers inclusive, sensory-friendly strategies and alternatives that consider individual needs and promote comfort, connection, and joy.

<u>Navigating Neurodivergence</u>	<u>Breakthrough Behaviour</u>	<u>Feel without Fear</u>	<u>Re-establishing Routines</u>	<u>CPVA</u> (Child to Parent Violence and Aggression)	<u>Sleep</u>	<u>Accepting Adolescence</u>	<u>Seasonal Sensory Awareness</u>
14 th April 9:30am	16 th April 9:30am	21 st April 9:30am	23 rd April 9:30am	28 th April 9:30am	29 th April 1:00pm	30 th April 9:30am	n/a
5 th May 9:30am	7 th May 9:30am	12 th May 9:30am	14 th May 9:30am	19 th May 9:30am	21 st May 9:30am	22 nd May 9:30am	n/a
2 nd June 9:30am	4 th June 9:30am	9 th June 9:30am	11 th June 9:30am	16 th June 9:30am	18 th June 9:30am	23 rd June 9:30am	n/a
2 nd July 9:30am	7 th July 9:30am	9 th July 9:30am	14 th July 9:30am	16 th July 9:30am	21 st July 9:30am	23 rd July 9:30am	n/a

Please email katrina.austin1@iow.gov.uk to join any of the webinars noted above. All webinars are delivered online via Teams. A link to the webinar will be sent to you 24 hours prior.

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