# Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School

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### **News from Brading CE Primary School**

Headteacher: Mrs. B Gilbert Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Our Christian Values: TRUST
Truth, Respect, Unity, Sincerity, Tolerance
This week our focus has been on UNITY

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well another fantastic week. Year 1 and 2 have been Swimming and to Squash, Year 5 and 6 have been to the aqua park at Tapnell Farm, Cuba have been to the Wildheart Animal Sanctuary and Year 6 have had their graduation party! Year 4 went tree climbing as part of Sport's Week. It was also great to see the children dressed up as their favourite sports person.

#### Sports Day

Thank you to all of you that came to Sports' Day this morning. It was great to see so many people and the children showed a great sporting attitude. Thank you to the adults that organised this great end-of-year event.

#### **Wrap Around Care Policy**

I have attached the Wrap Around Care Policy with the new rates for September. Can I remind you that sessions MUST be booked in advance for staffing purposes.

### Junior Travel Ambassador Travel Challenge

If your child has completed the challenge logs, sent home a couple of weeks ago, can you bring them in for Mr Barnes on Monday please, so prizes can be awarded!

#### Sun Safety

As the heat is rising again, please ensure your child has a hat in school each day. If you would like them to wear sunscreen, it must be long lasting and be applied before they come to school. Staff can not apply it. Also, a water bottle is a must, please.

#### **Attendance**

As you can see from the chart below, each classes' attendance is below our target. Below is also a chart that explains the effect of absence from school

Remember my door is always open and have a fabulous weekend and enjoy the sun.

Mrs Gilbert Headteacher



## Collective Worship this Week

We have been continuing to focus on humility.

### **Bible Reflection**

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

James 4:10

### SCHOOL MENU WEEK COMMENCING: 21st July 2025

We also offer tomato pasta as well as jacket potatoes, baguettes and sandwiches with a selection of fillings each day.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheese and Tomato	BBQ Chicken	Roast Pork	Classic Beef Burger	Battered Fish and
Pizza			with Potato Wedges	Chips
	Fruits of the Forest	Banoffee Pie		
Chocolate Brownie	Jelly		Shortcake with Fruit	Banana Cake

# Please note that school lunches will rise to £3.15 from September.

Dates fo	r your diary:	Diary Dates	
July  23 <sup>rd</sup> – Last day of Term (Summer Holiday)  ** 2 <sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER – First day of Term **			

WHAT \	WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK
CUBA	This week in Cuba class we have been practicing sports day activities for sports week. We have enjoyed throwing balls into buckets, sensory circuits involving the trampoline and lots of balancing. The highlight of our week was our trip to the Wildheart Sanctuary in Sandown. We saw one of the bears going for a swim and the tigers were very excited to see us all. The class really enjoyed seeing all of the animals and had a lovely time.
HAWAII	In English this week we have been designing our very own magical potions with instructions on how to make it. Today the children got to make a different potion making sure to follow the teacher's instructions. In topic this week, the children ventured back to Victorian times. They got to experience first-hand hard labour that Victorian prisoners would have experienced from picking oakum (separating strands of rope), treadwheel (stepping up and down stairs repeatedly) and shot drill (lifting a weighted box forward and backward repeatedly). All of this was done in silence!
ANTIGUA	This week we continued out under the sea topic. We decorated our own biscuits using blue food colouring and fish toppers, we then went on a walk around the school delivery biscuits to the grownups. We have also been super busy practicing our sports day races ready to show off our super fast running and we've had lots of fun exploring the outside area.
NEW ZEALAND	This week we have loved sports week. We have made our own obstacle courses and tried them out using a range of equipment, we have worked really well in different teams to try out the assault courses and make and follow all the rules. We have explored healthy eating and discussed what we need to eat to be healthy and made our own healthy plates with food we like and foods we should eat regularly and foods we shouldn't eat regularly! We also made our own fruit kebabs which the children enjoyed cutting and creating. We also practiced ready for sports day!
GALAPAGOS	This week Galapagos class has been very busy taking part in lots of sporting activities for sports week. This has included swimming and squash as well as sports day practice, and designing and building our own obstacle course. We have also designed our very own sports kits, created posters/ leaflets about our favourite sports and finally made our own rosettes. Well done Galapagos class!
JAMAICA	This week in Jamaica class, we have had a busy week rounding off the end of term. On Monday, we wrote invites for the teachers in preparation for our prom. On Thursday, we headed over to the aqua park at Tapnell farm. On Friday, we rounded off our final full week at Brading by having our prom.  Mr Baker wants to thank every single year 6 student for their hard work and dedication this year. They are all amazing!

# This Week in Pictures:

















## **Attendance**

Whole School Target: 95%

Class	Percentage Attendance Last Week
Antigua	89
St Lucia	97
Cuba	90
Hawaii	83
New Zealand	88
Galapagos	94
Iceland	83
Jamaica	90

### **Foodbank Vouchers**

Mrs Willshire is able to issue Foodbank Vouchers to anyone who may be struggling. Please email Mrs Willshire to request one if required. <u>Jo.willshire@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk</u>



# Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are Changing.

As set down by the Department for Education, penalty notices can be issued for unauthorised absence. With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

### Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that was absent.

#### For example:

3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

# 5 consecutive days of term time leave

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for Term Time Leave of 5 or more consecutive days. INSET training days are school days and can be included in the 5 or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

# 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

# 1 First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

# 2 Second Offence

### Within 3 years

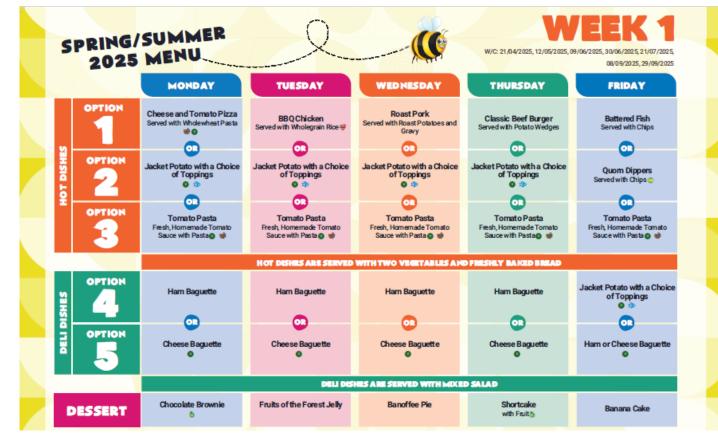
The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance the amount will be: £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

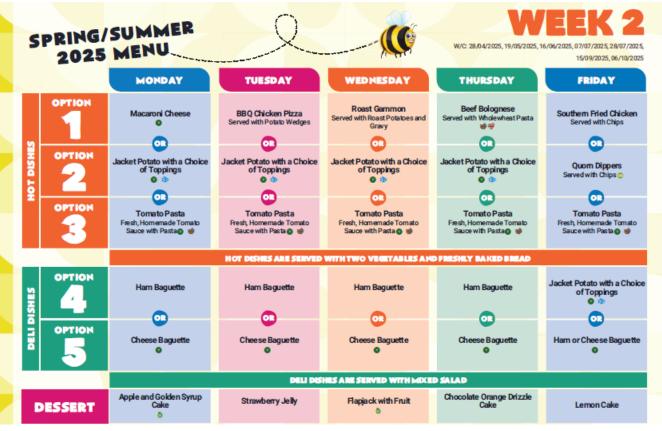
# 3 Third Offence

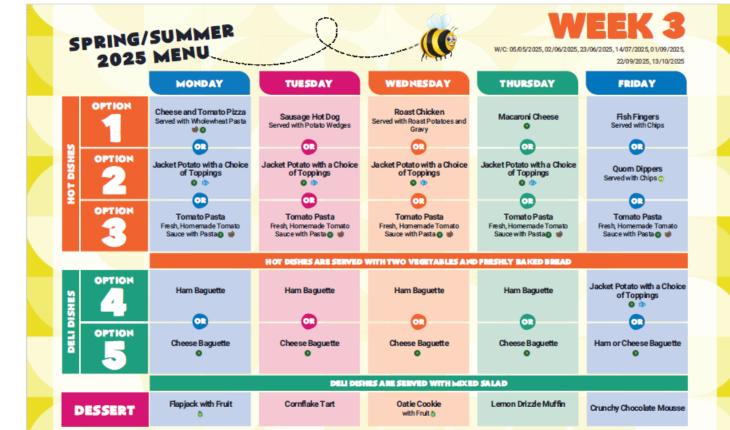
### And Any Further Offence (Within 3 years)

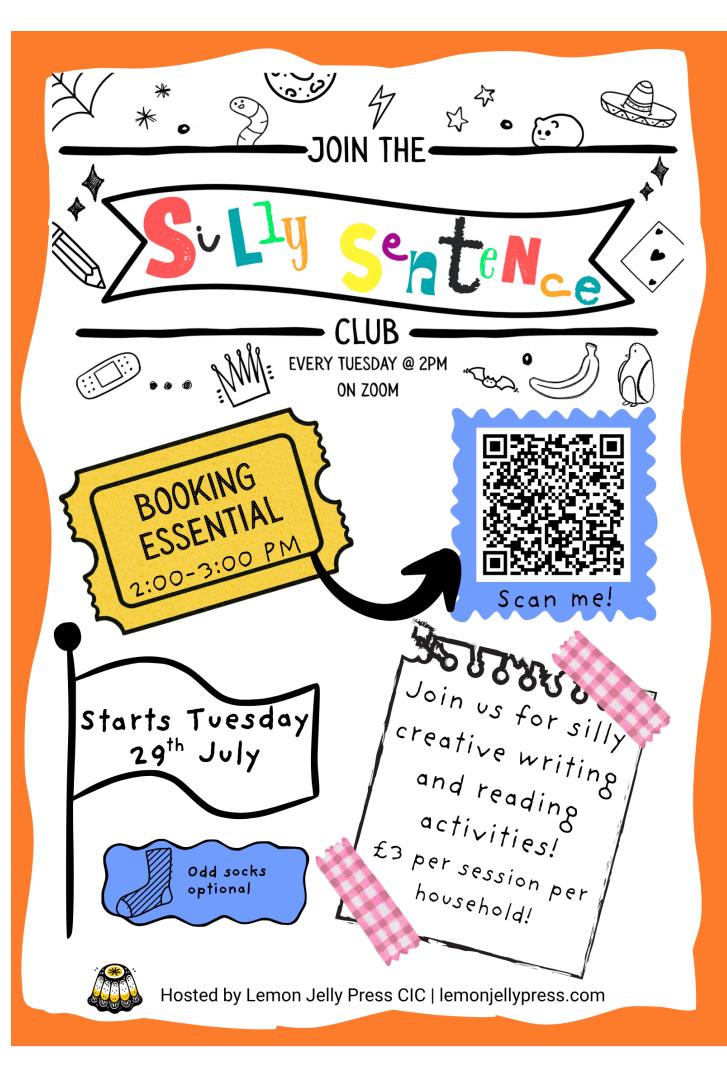
The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate, due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.















### Gymnastics & Trampoline Fun Days! Cowes Summer Holiday Clubs!

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025

10:00 - 15:00 each day

Sea Cadets Cowes, Whitegates, Arctic Road, Cowes, PO31 7PG

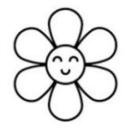
£28 per Child for the Whole Day (£26 for Little Rocket Gymnasts)

Please Bring a Packed Lunch and Drinks and Wear Suitable Clothing (Leotard / Shorts & T-shirt and Socks) A tuck shop for sweets and drinks will also be available

### **HOW TO BOOK**

Please go to https://little-rockets.class4kids.co.uk to book your place on line.

If there are any queries please contact Christy on 07518 335319 Thank you ☺







# Gymnastics Fun Day! Sandown Summer Holiday Clubs!

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025

10:00 - 15:00

Fairway Sports Centre, The Fairway, Sandown, PO36 9JH

£30 per Child for the Whole Day (£29 for Little Rocket Gymnasts)

Please Bring a Packed Lunch and Drinks and Wear Suitable Clothing (Leotard / Shorts & T-shirt)

A tuck shop for sweets and drinks will also be available

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# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

# STAYING SAFE AROUND WATER

Enjoying time in, on, and around water plays a vital role in a young person's overall development, offering a healthy and exhilarating way to have fun. This guide outlines essential safety advice, based on the Royal Life Saving Society UK's Water Safety Code, to help ensure children can enjoy swimming and similar activities safely and responsibly.

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## STICK TO LIFEGUARDED AREAS

It's never advisable to enter unsupervised bodies of water, especially alone. Instead, it's considered best practice to accompany children to places with lifeguards, as they will be trained to respond swiftly in emergencies and provide first ald when needed.

### 2 LEARN SIGNS AND FLAGS

When going to a new environment, it's important to research the local area and make children aware of safety signage before entering the water. If visiting the seaside, make sure children are always supervised by an adult and that they know what different beach flags mean, so they're knowledgeable of where and when they can enter the sea.

### 3 STOP AND THINK

Young people should be cautious before entering water, as it's difficult to know what hazards could be underneath. Use the Water Safety Code and encourage children to ask themselves questions such as, "Is the water too deep or too shallow? Are there currents, tides, or underwater objects?" Make sure children know never to enter water from a height, as what lurks below could cause serious injuries.

### CONSIDER WATER TEMPERATURE

Even on hot days, water can be deceptively cold.
Tragedies strike when young people experience
cold water shock. Never let children enter water
quickly; instead, ensure that they enter slowly
and carefully to allow their bodies to adjust to
the temperature or exit easily if needed.

### 5 INFLATABLE SAFETY

Although inflatables may seem like a fun idea when visiting locations like the beach, they can float further out from shore and into more dangerous water. It's advisable only to use inflatables in spaces like appropriately managed swimming pools, where they're used in more controlled and supervised environments.

### 6 SUPERVISION

For young children, and particularly those under the age of five, it's important for them to be supervised at home, outside and at the pool at all times. It's essential for parents and educators to understand that young children can drown quickly and silently; therefore, anyone supervising them must maintain constant watch in case they get into difficulty.

# DON'T GO

When swimming, especially in open water, it's best to teach children to stay within a safe depth. Share advice with them such as only entering water up to a standing depth, and in the case of visiting the beach, swim parallel to shorelines. This will allow a child to stay in control and get out of the water easily.

### 8 KEEP POOLS AND TUBS DRAINED

For parents of young children, a simple way to protect them at home is to keep outdoor spaces and bathrooms tidy after playtime. This includes removing water from paddling pools after use and turning them over, returning lids to hot tubs and taking toys out of baths, so all water can be fully drained from the tub.

### 9 FLOAT AND CALL 999

If a child gets into difficulty in the water, they should try to float on their back, stay calm, and call for help. If a young person sees someone else in trouble, they should dial 999 or 112 immediately, then shout to reassure their friend, encouraging them to float on their back, and letting them know that help is on the way. Children should never enter the water to attempt a rescue or retrieve belongings.

### TEACH WATER SAFETY

Beyond swimming lessons, children should be educated in school on water safety. Use RLSS UK's accredited programme, 'Water Smart Schools', which offers free lesson plans and resources on how to be safe on, near and around water by following the Water Safety Code.

### Meet Our Expert

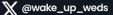
The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK) is a national water safety charity that gives children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water, safely. Water safety education provided in schools is vital and, in some instances, could be a child's only opportunity to learn about the water.

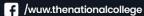


WakeUp Wednesday

The National College

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#### Dear Schools,

As we head to the end of the academic year, I hope that this lovely weather continues and that you all have a lovely, relaxing Summer Holiday. Thank you to all the schools who have come to visit our sites, I hope you had really enjoyable visits.

### **Up-Coming Competitions and Events for the Autumn Term**

#### **Self-Portrait Challenge at Osborne**



Emma Gaggiotti (Mrs Richards)

Osborne House is looking forward to receiving this portrait and displaying in the House in the Autumn.

We would like to invite all local schools to take part in a self-portrait competition. The portraits will need to be completed by 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025 (I am happy to come and collect them from your school if this would be more convenient than dropping them to us)

The portraits will be put on display, and the winning entry will receive a package of prizes! This includes-

- £250 for the winning entry school
- A trophy will be awarded to the winning entry this will be an annual event, with the trophy being awarded each year
- A free Discovery Visit at Osborne

This competition is being kindly sponsored by the Friends of Osborne, who are committed to promoting Osborne to young people on the Isle of Wight.

If you would like to take part in this, please email me at <a href="mailto:Gemma.Wiggs@english-heritage.org.uk">Gemma.Wiggs@english-heritage.org.uk</a> and I will send you more information.

### Save the Date!

#### **Horticulture Event at Osborne House**

### 7<sup>th</sup> November 3pm to 5pm (tea and coffee from 2.30)

- Horticulture event to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025 for Teachers and Tas at Osborne.
- Come along to hear more from the Worshipful Company of Gardeners about careers and opportunities for young people in horticulture.
- Enjoy a tour of the grounds with our Head Gardener and the team.
- Take part in a workshop and share ideas for how the outside spaces at Osborne could be used as outside learning opportunities.
- Hear about our plans to hold a 'School Garden Show' next summer, where schools will enter their produce, craft and artwork in a range of categories.
- Learn about the chance to win 'Be a Gardener at Osborne for the Day' experience for your class.

If you would like to join us for this event, please email me at – <u>Gemma.Wiggs@english-heirtage.org.uk</u> and I will add you to the list (3)







Our interactive 'Horrid Hands' lesson involves

- how to prevent germs being spread
- the use of vaccines

in support of the Schools Immunisation Programme.

This session links to the following curriculum areas:

**Key stage 1 and 2 - Science and Citizenship** 

- Living things and their habitats
- Animals, including humans
- Developing a Healthy, Safer Lifestyle

Throughout this session, we will also enlighten students to a number of related careers in the NHS.

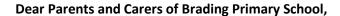
Our sessions are appropriately pitched for Year R, KS1 or KS2

We can work with whole year groups or individual classes.





Contact us: nhseducation.outreach@solent.nhs.uk





We're delighted to share that **Light UP Youth Theatre**, a leading Hampshire-based performing arts charity, is expanding to the **Isle of Wight this September** — and we're kicking things off with **two exciting themed workshops this August** for young people aged 7–16.

Led by experienced theatre practitioner **Donna Steele**, our new Light UP Isle of Wight branch will offer inclusive, high-quality drama classes designed to boost confidence, creativity, and collaboration in young people of all abilities.

### SUMMER DRAMA WORKSHOPS



"Marvellous Mischief: A Dahl-ightful Drama Day"

For Ages: 7–11

Date: Tuesday 19th August Time: 10:00am-4:00pm Show Back: 3:30pm

Location: The Department, Ryde

**Details:** A magical day of drama where characters from across Roald Dahl's stories collide in a wildly imaginative mash-up. Students will explore devising, improvisation and physical theatre — all culminating

in a performance for families.

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### Fright: Drama from the Dark Side of the Island"

For Ages: 12-16

Date: Tuesday 26th August Time: 10:00am-4:00pm Show Back: 3:30pm

Location: The Department, Ryde

**Details:** Inspired by the Isle of Wight's own spine-tingling folklore, this day invites students to explore haunting local myths through storytelling, movement, and devised theatre,

ending in a powerful parent performance.

Isle of Fright: Drama from the Dark Side of the Island

Step into the shadows and uncover the eerie legends that have earned the Isle of Wight its reputation as the most haunted island in the world. From ancient myths to chilling ghost stories whispered through generations, students aged 12-16 will spend the day diving into local folklore through drama, movement, and storytelling:

Drama

Movement

Storytelling

Show back performance at 3:30

Tuesday 26th August, 10:00am to 4:00pm
at The Department – Ryde

Early Bird Rate: £25 for the day if booked by 31/7

Full Price: £30 (if booked after 31/7)

Sibling Rate: £25 (if adding on a second child booking)

Spaces are limited and early booking is advised.

Bookings can be made at: <a href="https://www.lightupdrama.org.uk/iow-2025-summer-workshops">https://www.lightupdrama.org.uk/iow-2025-summer-workshops</a>

Our full programme of **weekly youth theatre classes** will begin in Ryde this September for ages 7–16, offering a supportive space for students to explore drama, develop skills and create exciting performances.

Families who attend our August workshops will receive a **priority booking window and exclusive discount** for September term classes.

We look forward to meeting lots of prospective students over the summer in our introductory workshops and please don't hesitate to get in contact if you have any further questions.

Warm regards, Donna

Donna Steele

Franchise Manager - Light UP Isle of Wight

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