



# Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School



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## News from Brading CE Primary School

Headteacher : Mrs B Gilbert

Our Christian Values: **TRUST TRUTH, RESPECT, UNITY, SINCERITY, TOLERANCE** - This week our focus has been on **UNITY**

26<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

It is certainly starting to feel chillier, the temperature has really dropped! Can you please make sure your child has a coat for break and lunch times. If you would also like your child to wear a hat, scarf and gloves to and from school they are more than welcome. However, children are unable to wear scarfs at break and lunch times.

1. **Fun Clubs** – Wow, what a great start we've had the last 2 weeks of fun clubs. We still have spaces available in all clubs so please book them with the office via email or phone. This terms Fun Clubs are:

Monday – Y1,2&3 Tag Rugby with Mrs Powell  
Tuesday – KS2 Computing with Miss Silk, KS1 Art with Miss Fuller & KS2 Lego with Miss Gardner  
Wednesday – Y4,5 & 6 Tag Rugby with Mrs Powell

We have Breakfast Club and Wrap Around Club available daily. These will need to be booked and paid for in advance via our School Money App. If you have any outstanding moneys owed please can you logon and pay these so your account can be bought up to date. If you have any issues come and see Mrs Wenman in the office who will be able to help.

2. **Outstanding Forms** – Thank you to everyone who has returned their child's completed data, EV3 and E Safety forms. We do still have some outstanding so please can these be returned to school via the class teacher or the office by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. If you have misplaced any of the forms just let the office know and we can send home a duplicate.
3. **Attendance** – Just to let you know our EWS Officer will be undertaking monthly checks for the whole school's attendance. Please can I remind you that after 8.20am for KS2, 8.25am for KS1 and 8.30 – 8.45am for EYFS your child will be marked late unless agreed by myself. We work very closely with our EWS service. All children need to be in school on time every day and Mr Gard will be coming in and checking this throughout the school year. At the same time our registers for attendance are checked daily for patterns of absences and annual days off are closely monitored. If Mr Gard and our Family Liaison Officer Mrs Willshire feel you would benefit from a support meeting, please do not feel offended if you received an invite. We are all here to help to ensure the children are In school daily and on time.
4. **Gastroenteritis and other infections** – We have had a number of cases this last week. Please can we advise our little one at home to encourage regular good hand hygiene practice. Washing hands well with soapy water is the best method
5. **Brading Residents Wall** – We had a neighbour come into say that his driveway wall had been crashed into this week. If anyone saw anything around pick up time on the 23<sup>rd</sup> please can you knock on the homeowner's door and let him know. He lives at Summers Hall directly opposite the school.
6. **Horticultural Show** – Congratulations to our winners for this year's Horticultural Show entries. The children will be given their certificate and prize at Friday's Collective Worship.

**Cuba** – 1<sup>st</sup> Elliot 2<sup>nd</sup> Louie 3<sup>rd</sup> Jasper

**Hawaii** – (ART) 1<sup>st</sup> Maddie 2<sup>nd</sup> Rocco 3<sup>rd</sup> Lincoln (WRITING) 1<sup>st</sup> Lincoln 2<sup>nd</sup> Daniel 3<sup>rd</sup> Gus

**Antigua** – 1<sup>st</sup> Riley 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie 3<sup>rd</sup> Dylan

**St Lucia** – 1<sup>st</sup> Theo 2<sup>nd</sup> Crystal 3<sup>rd</sup> Lacie

**New Zealand** 1<sup>st</sup> Oliver 2<sup>nd</sup> Asher 3<sup>rd</sup> Matilda

**Galapagos** – (ART) 1<sup>st</sup> Thea 2<sup>nd</sup> Eliza 3<sup>rd</sup> Millie (WRITING) 1<sup>st</sup> Evelyn 2<sup>nd</sup> Roman 3<sup>rd</sup> Thea

**Jamaica** – (ART) 1<sup>st</sup> Ezekiel 2<sup>nd</sup> Ivy 3<sup>rd</sup> Elliot (WRITING) 1<sup>st</sup> Alice 2<sup>nd</sup> Beatrix 3<sup>rd</sup> Ezekiel

5. **Harvest Festival & Fund Raising** – Every half term we are planning on having a Fundraising day. This term it will be on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please keep this date free. We will be providing more information and update you all from next week. We look forward to seeing you all then.

Have a fabulous weekend and remember my door is always open.  
Mrs Gilbert

**Collective worship this week** – we have been continuing to focus on generosity  
**Bible Reflection** – God will pour Himself out among us when we pour ourselves out for the poor:  
Isaiah 58: 6-12

# Attendance Traffic Light System



**90% and below**

**Concern**  
**Drastic effect on academic achievement.**

**90 - 95%**

**Cause for Concern**  
**We work with our EWS Officer who will conduct home visits when attendance becomes a concern**

**96 - 100%**

**Excellent attendance!**  
**Keep up the good work.**

## **MISSING SCHOOL = MISSING OUT!**

**96 – 100% attendance equates to 4- 7 days off each year**

**90-95 % attendance equates to 9-20 days off each year (50-100 lessons lost)**

**90% and below equates to 20-30 school days off each year (100-150 lessons lost)**

**We want our children at Brading CE Primary to enjoy coming to school.**

**Research proves that there is a high correlation between school attendance and academic performance and success.**

**Absence from school is often the greatest single cause of poor performance and achievement.**

**Ensuring children attend school is crucial for the welfare of children and safeguarding their wellbeing.**

## **EVERYDAY MINUTE COUNTS**



**3 school days lost per year**



**10 school days lost per year**



**19 school days lost per year**

## SCHOOL MENU WEEK COMMENCING: 29<sup>th</sup> September 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 & Tomato Pizza	BBQ Chicken	Roast Pork	Classic Beef Burger	Battered Fish
Chocolate Brownie	Fruits of the forest jelly	Banoffee Pie	Shortcake with Fruit	Banana Cake

**Please note that school lunches are now £3.15.**

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October all children in KS1 and Reception who haven't ordered a school dinner will be given a taster pot of delicious food our kitchen has cooked.

## WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK

CUBA	This week in Cuba we have been looking at Goldilocks and the three bears. We have been looking to beards in oats in our sensory trays, mixing bowls with oats in for fine motor and stomping around the playground like bears for gross motor. We have shared the Goldilocks story we each other and counted 1, 2,3 bears!
HAWAII	This week in Hawaii Class, the children have been making structures using papier mache. The children made a penguin out of tin foil. they then covered it in a material so the papier mache would stick. They then layered the papier mache to make the structure strong. They all ended up very sticky! We also created our own branching databases in science using scientific vocabulary such as carnivore, habitat and vertebrate.
ANTIGUA / ST LUCIA	This week in EYFS we have been focusing on Teddy Bear's Picnic. We used junk modelling to make and paint our own food for the picnic. We also named our teddies and reception wrote invites to ask the teddies to come to our own picnic. Finally, we ended the week having our own teddy bears picnic - we made our own jam sandwiches to try.
NEW ZEALAND	Newsletter: Another amazing week! The children are improving day upon day in their reading. The children are writing letters to Mummy Pig and they want to tell her so much which is fantastic! In maths, we have been looking at part whole models and the relationships between addition and subtraction. In PE, we have been learning about Tag Rugby. In science, we are learning about materials and have made the pigs houses. Well done!
GALAPAGOS	This week Galapagos class have been very busy! We started the week by planning and drafting our persuasive letters, trying to persuade people to stop chopping down the rainforest and protect the animal's habitats. We also went on our very own 'bug hunt' exploring the invertebrates we find in our school environment. We have been practicing ordering numbers, comparing numbers and rounding in maths and the children have been very successfully in doing this. In art we continued our textiles project and had a go at make our own tie dye. Lastly in topic we further explored the layers of the rainforest and the animals and plants that live in each layer. Well done Galapagos, another amazing week!
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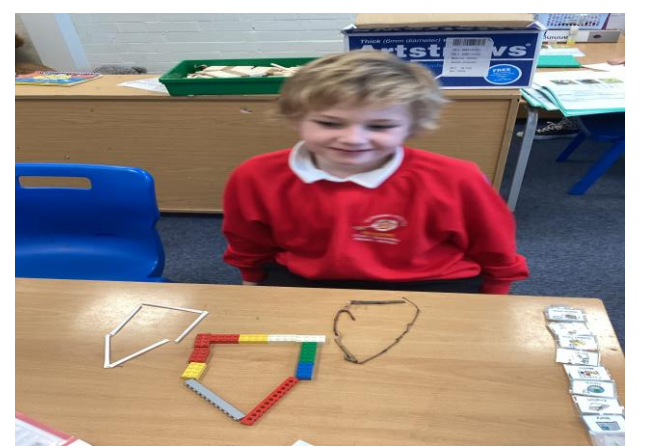
## Dates for your diary:

**Diary Dates**

<b>October</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> – Wear Yellow for Mountbatten Day 10 <sup>th</sup> – Chartwells Go YELLOW Menu change for Mountbatten. (Menu to be amended) 16 <sup>th</sup> – School Nurse visiting YrR & 6 17 <sup>th</sup> – Harvest Festival and Fund-Raising Day (more info to follow) 20 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>th</sup> Half Term
<b>November</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> Bikeability 10 <sup>th</sup> – 1 <sup>st</sup> Flu Immunisation Session
<b>December</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Flu Immunisation Session 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Christmas Holidays start



# This Week in Pictures:







WOW WORKSHOP – We had some visitors with week talking to the children about different ways of getting to and from school. They talked about the benefits of walking and encouraging a more economic and active way of travelling to school. We have 4 Travel Ambassadors - (KEIRA < EZEKIEL < MATILDA < ELLIOT) who are collecting all the children's travelling to school methods. There is a chance of certificates and prizes to be won.



### 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. [Jo.willshire@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:Jo.willshire@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk)

## Attendance

Whole School Target: **95%**

Class	% Last Week
Antigua	100
St Lucia	76.7
Cuba	73
Hawaii	71
New Zealand	100
Galapagos	94.6
Jamaica	77.8

### 2025-26 Open Day / Evening Dates

School/College	Date	Time
Carisbrooke College	29 September 2025	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
Christ the King College	18 September 2025 06 November 2025	Year 6 open evening: 5.30-7.30pm 6 <sup>th</sup> Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
Cowes Enterprise College	1 <sup>st</sup> to 31 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	<b>Year 6</b> Open Month
Island Free School	11 October 2025	Y6 open day: 09.30-1pm Headmaster's Talks at 10am, 11am and 12noon
Medina College	23 September 2025	Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm
Lift Ryde	8 October 2025	Y6 Open Evening 4-7pm
Ryde School	4 October 2025 7 February 2026	Y6 and 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Open Morning: 10-12.30pm
The Bay CE School	2 October 2025	Y6 Open Evening: 5-8pm
The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham	n/a	Don't hold open days. Ring up to make an appointment for a show round. Marion Ahmed – Tel: 861222 or email: <a href="mailto:mail@prioryschool.org.uk">mail@prioryschool.org.uk</a>





## 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'.

## 'EYES-WIDE'

### Child Criminal Exploitation, Gang & Youth Violence Awareness, FREE Workshop for Isle of Wight Parents and Carers

**Sat 27 Sept**  
**10:30am – 12:00pm**  
(Please arrive promptly for start of the session)

**Isle of Wight College, Medina Way, Newport, PO30 5TA**  
(Please enter via main entrance. Free parking on site.)

This workshop is about street crime, including language, signs and symptoms of gang involvement.

Do you want to find out more about County Lines, CCE (Child Criminal Exploitation) and knife crime?

Then come along to this informative, proactive session for awareness.

Run by Urban Pure Solutions  
For more info please visit [urbanpuresolutions.com](https://urbanpuresolutions.com)

SCAN ME TO BOOK TICKETS

There will be an opportunity at the end of the main information session for parents/carers to ask questions or get advice.

**The Isle of Wight College**  
Your Future Starts Here



**NHS**  
**Hampshire and**  
**Isle of Wight Healthcare**  
NHS Foundation Trust

The school nurse will be offering drop-in sessions each term bookable via school.

The slots are for 30 minutes and these are bookable through Mrs Willshire, please

email: [jo.willshire@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk](mailto:jo.willshire@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk)

Next session:

Date: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Time: 9am – 11am

Your school nurse can support with the following health concerns:

Physical Health concerns related to school absences: not chronic or persistent absenteeism.

Long term conditions e.g. asthma, eczema, impacting on schooling.

Support for healthy lifestyles - diet and exercise.

Growth concerns

Support around Sleep

Continence i.e. night/daytime wetting, soiling, constipation







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Put in Brading and we will appear

Click Brading



# ART & SANDCASTLE COMPETITIONS AT APPLEY TOWER



## ART COMPETITION

Create artwork inspired  
by Appley Tower

Submit artwork to  
**Natural Enterprise**  
by **Weds 1 October**

Appley Day



## SANDCASTLE COMPETITION

Bring your bucket and  
spade on Appley Day!

**Sunday 5 October**

Judging at 1.30pm -  
Prizes for best artwork  
and sandcastles

**ALL CHILDREN WELCOME!**

# Craft Fair

Cafe by Duke  
of Edinburgh

10 AM - 2 PM

11th October

Brading Youth And  
Community Centre

High Street

Brading

PO36 0DH

Please bring cash

Charity number 1172210

JSM EVENTS  
presents

# 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY TOUR

MARK THOMPSON'S

## SPECTACULAR SCIENCE SHOW



**Tuesday 28 Oct**  
**11am & 2.30pm**  
**Quay Arts Centre**  
**Tickets £15-£17\***

**TO BOOK:**  
**[www.quayarts.org](http://www.quayarts.org)**  
**01983 822490**

[www.spectacularscienceshow.com](http://www.spectacularscienceshow.com)

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[josarsby.com/events](http://josarsby.com/events)

Do Join us at the next



**Fri 26 Sept**

**3-5pm**

**Brading Methodist Church**



**Everyone welcome!**

**All children to be accompanied  
by an adult**

**Free! – donation if wished**

Chat to Jane on 407201 for more details



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**Benji & Balu**

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Have a passion for catering, would like to join our team of School Caterers?

Chartwells are the leading school meal providers, and we have an opportunity for the following positions:

**Brading Primary School – Kitchen Assistant**

**10hr Monday to Friday Termtime**

**Interested read on.....**

You would be helping the School Cook with food preparation, serving the pupils and general kitchen duties.

Always an opportunity to increase if interested in catering too.

Job Type: Term Time only

Position availability: Now after DBS clearance

Hourly rates: Upon application

If you are interested, please apply by ringing the IOW office 01983 550500

Good luck and we will be in touch very soon.