



Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School



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News from Brading CE Primary School

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

19th September 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Wow, it's so nice to see how we have had another amazing week. Its so lovely seeing everyone working so hard with their learning and behaviours.

1. **Horticultural Show** - The children worked so hard on their entries for the Horticultural Show this year, I was blown away by the amazing artwork they produced, a huge well done to everyone. Please pop along to the Brading Youth Club this Saturday at 2pm to see if your child's entry has won. Can I say a massive thank you to Mrs Cooney for organising everyone and getting all the amazing work together.
2. **School Photos** – It was so lovely to see all the children looking so happy for their photos on Monday. As soon as the order forms have arrived back in school we will get these out to you.
3. As class teachers are so busy first thing in the morning getting things ready for learning and as we need to get learning started on time as there is so much to get through during the day, teachers are **not** available to talk to anyone before school or when they are bringing in their classes. Mrs Willshire or myself will be available from 8.30 to help support anyone.
4. **Reading/Homework/Diaries** –
 - **Diaries:** Just a quick reminder that school diaries came home last week. They included our TRUST breakdown for learning and behaviour as well our zones of regulations for behaviour and learning and what we are using in school as part of our behaviour policy. If you have any questions please come and see me. We have thought about all aspects of these in great detail. All of these will help the children get ready for secondary school and the expectations there. It was so lovely that our OFSTED Inspector praised us in June for how we support individual children's needs.
 - **Reading:** Please make sure your child is reading to themselves or yourselves daily. This needs to be recorded in the diary daily. We would also love to hear from you with any updates about what is happening at home and we will reply.
 - **Homework** – please see the list below from each class for homework each week.

Jamaica: sent out on a Friday each week and due back in on a Friday in the homework packs.

Galapagos: sent out on a Friday each week and due back in on a Thursday in the homework packs.

New Zealand: Sent out on a Friday each week and due back in on a Wednesday in the Homework pack.

St Lucia: Sent out on a Friday each week and due back in on a Wednesday in the homework pack.

Cuba: Books are sent home on a Friday and Nursery Rhymes are sent home on a Monday and practiced throughout the week in school.

Hawaii: Email sent out on a Friday with an activity and instructions.

5. **School Jotter3 App** – We have a new website at the same web address (please go take a look) but more excitingly we have a new App which will keep you up to date with newsletters, events, news and important notifications. The flyer is below to help you download the App. You will have to have notifications turned on for School Jotter 3.
6. **Reminders** - Due to space in classes on pegs, please ensure your child has a foldable bag or drawstring bag – we cannot have rucksacks. Lunch boxes need to be plastic, please, Teachers will be checking lunch boxes and bags again next week.
7. **After school clubs** – If yours 5&6 children are coming to club they will need collecting by and adult at 3.45 every week please

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 – Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed
Proverbs 19:17

SCHOOL MENU WEEK COMMENCING: 15th 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	Sausage Hot Dog	Roast Gammon	Macaroni Cheese	Fish Fingers
Flapjack with fruit	Cornflake Cake	Oatie Cookie with Fruit	Lemon Drizzle Muffin	Crunchy Chocolate Mousse

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

On the 2nd of October all children in KS2 in receipt of Free School Meals will receive taster pots of delicious food our kitchen has cooked.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK

CUBA	This week in Cuba we have been focusing on the teddy bears picnic and "all about me" like looking at home photos and seeing what foods we like! We have had such a lovely week despite the weather!
HAWAII	This week in Hawaii Class the children have been learning about invertebrates. We classified them based on their features. We then went around the school finding different invertebrates and deciding which group they belong to. The children drew and labelled a sketch of their favourite invertebrate.
ANTIGUA / ST LUCIA	This week our focus has been on Goldilocks and the three bears. We have explored porridge, cut Goldilocks hair and made teddy bear artwork. In maths we were thinking about matching objects so we found Daddy bear some new matching socks to keep his feet warm. Finally, we visited the trim trail and tried the bikes and scooters
NEW ZEALAND	This week, the children have been learning about how to use comparison symbols and language when comparing numbers in maths. In English, we have started to learn how to retell the story of The Three Little Pigs using Talk for Writing. Mummy Pig has written a letter to the children and they are learning the features of a letter so they can reply to her! We are applying our skills learned in phonics into our reading and writing and in PSHE, we have been learning about rules at school and home. We had a local author visit this week and the children thoroughly enjoyed their session. The children were participating in activities from one of her books. Her name is Lottie from Lemon Jelly Press. Here are the website details... https://www.lemonjellypress.com/shop/p/pre-order-facing-the-fear-of-failure She is offering the book at a discounted price of £5 (normally £12). If you would like to place an order please express your interest along with payment at the school office. Have a lovely weekend!
GALAPAGOS	This week Galapagos class have worked so hard! We have further explored our topic of rainforests, learning all about the layers of the rainforest, what animals and plants live there and the climate. In English we have begun to explore our text driver 'The Kapok Tree'. The children made predictions from the cover and are now working on practicing the features needed for our persuasive letters, including rhetorical questions and expanded noun phrases. We had a very exciting maths lesson looking at number lines to 1000, the children made giant number lines on the tables and we able to complete the number lines even with varying start and end points as well as intervals. The children absolutely love being able to draw on the tables! Finally in science we learnt all about how animals are classified. Using a classification key we were able to sort animals into 5 groups, either fish, birds, mammals, amphibians or reptiles. We look forward to learning more next week, have a great weekend!
JAMAICA	This week in Jamaica class, we have been busy planning and writing our diary entry. We wrote our diaries from the perspective of an explorer, travelling across the Americas. In topic, we looked compared Alaska and Brazil, recognising their different climate zones. On Tuesday, we had a visit from sight for Wight who came in to run a workshop to raise awareness of those living in society with a visual impairment. .

Dates for your diary:

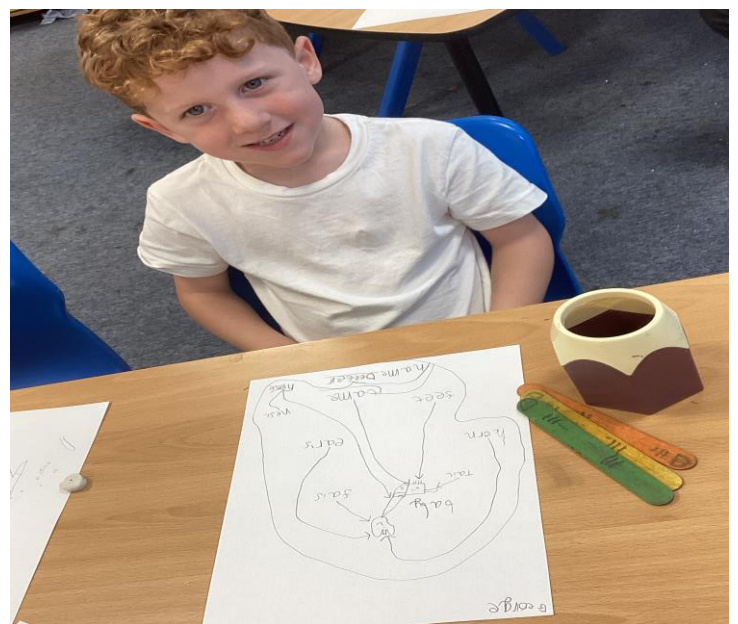


September	23 rd – WOW Walk to School Launch
October	10 th – Wear Yellow for Mountbatten Day 20 th – 31 th Half Term
November	10 th – 11 th Bikeability 10 th – 1 st Flu Immunisation Session
December	1 st – 2 nd Flu Immunisation Session 22 nd – Christmas Holidays start

This Week in Pictures:







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

Attendance

Whole School Target: **95%**

Class	% Last Week
Antigua	70.1
St Lucia	66.7
Cuba	50.9
Hawaii	55.7
New Zealand	80
Galapagos	75.2
Jamaica	61.7

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 th Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm
Cowes Enterprise College	1 st to 31 th October 2025	Year 6 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 th 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: mail@prioryschool.org.uk



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

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

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

SNAP STREAK

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

With over 900 million active monthly users and billions of 'Snaps' sent each month, Snapchat is a popular messaging app among children and young people. It allows users to share fun, spontaneous pictures and videos with friends and family while using playful filters. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures, videos and messages are only viewable for a short period of time.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Snapchat's use of artificial intelligence (AI) includes features like the 'My AI' chatbot and AI-powered filters, offering interactive experiences that can be fun but also pose risks. These tools may share unfiltered or inaccurate responses, promote unrealistic beauty standards, and collect personal data. Advanced filters and deepfake-style lenses can distort reality, potentially leading to manipulation, impersonation, or inappropriate content.

SCREEN ADDICTION

Snapchat boosts user engagement and daily use with features like streaks (daily Snapchat exchanges between you and a friend). When a streak's been going for a few days, users will see a 🌟 emoji. The number alongside it shows the number of days, but if users miss a day and break the streak, the only way to restore it is to pay. This encourages daily use habits, and frequent notifications can keep users returning to the app even more often.

SEXTORTION

Because Snapchat's disappearing messages feature may foster a sense of safety, users may become targets of sextortion. For example, a predator may pressure someone into sending nude images, then somehow capture those images to threaten and intimidate the victim. This might involve claiming they will share the images with friends or family unless money is paid.

SNAPCHAT+

Snapchat+ is the platform's premium subscription service, offering early access to new and exclusive features. In June 2025, Snapchat introduced a new tier called Lens+, giving subscribers access to hundreds of lenses and AR experiences for playing, creating, and sharing Snaps. These paid features may encourage young users to spend money to access exclusive content, increasing the risk of overspending or feeling pressured to make in-app purchases.

ACCESSIBILITY

Snapchat is now accessible from a web browser, meaning children can use it on a laptop or tablet without downloading the app. This can make activity harder to monitor, reduce the effectiveness of parental controls, and increase the risk of unsupervised communication or exposure to inappropriate content.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Some content on Snapchat isn't suitable for children. The hashtags used to group content are determined by the poster, so even an innocent search term could still yield age-inappropriate results. The app's disappearing messages feature also makes it easy for young people to share explicit images on impulse – so sexting continues to be a risk associated with Snapchat.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ACCESS THE SNAPCHAT FAMILY SAFETY HUB

Created with guidance from Common Sense Media, Snapchat has developed a Family Safety Hub that explains how the app works and how to use its in-app protections for teens. It's recommended that you review this guidance before allowing a child to download Snapchat. Remember, the app is only intended for children aged 13 and over.

ENCOURAGE OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Snapchat's risks can be easier to handle if you nurture an open dialogue. Talk about scams and blackmail before letting children sign up. If they're lured into a scam, encourage them to tell you immediately. Talk openly and non-judgementally about sexting, emphasising its inherent risks. Furthermore, explain how popular 'challenges' on the platform can have harmful consequences.

BLOCK AND REPORT

If a stranger connects with a child on Snapchat and makes them feel uncomfortable by pressuring them to send or receive unwanted or inappropriate images, the child can tap the three dots on that person's profile to report or block them. There are options to state why they're reporting that user, with a tailored reporting section under the 'Nudity and Sexual Content' category. In this category, there's the option to report somebody for threatening to leak sexually explicit images, or 'nudes'.

USE PRIVACY SETTINGS TOGETHER

Sit down with the children in your care and explore Snapchat's privacy settings as a shared activity. You can help them adjust who can contact them, view their stories, or see their location on Snap Map. It's a good opportunity to explain why some settings are safer than others, reinforcing their understanding of online boundaries. Encourage them to regularly review these settings, especially after app updates or changes in their friendship groups.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian Government comparing internet use and sexting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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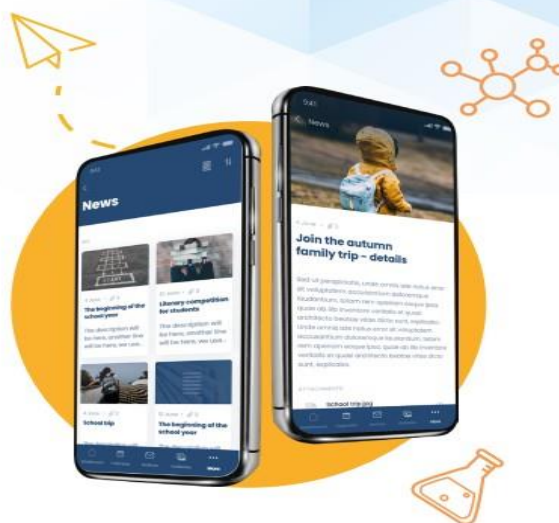
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Download the School Jotter Mobile App today and you'll get:

 News and message notifications

 School calendar access

 Other links to useful resources



Instructions –

Download School Jotter 3 from your app store Apple or Android with 3 coloured pencils

Go in as guest login

Search School

Put in Brading and we will appear

Click Brading





WINNER!!

ARE YOU A WINNER?

Every Thursday, check under your plate for a winner sticker!

1. Clear your plate
2. Check if you have a sticker
3. If you do, show a member of kitchen staff
4. Collect your prize

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Good luck!

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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*

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Do Join us at the next



Fri 26 Sept

3-5pm

Brading Methodist Church



Chat to Jane on 407201 for more details

ART & SANDCASTLE COMPETITIONS AT APPLEBY 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!



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