

Truth – Being honest
Respect – Being Fair
Unity – Being Friendly
Sincerity – Being Genuine
Tolerance – Being accepting

Brading CE (Controlled) Primary School



We are a Team that Trust each other to unlock potential.
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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 **SINCERITY**

3rd October 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

It has been a really busy week with so many things going on. Things to think about are:

Charity Day (raising money for a great cause) – This year we are going to try something different. At the end of each term we are going to have a day where we raise money for a different charity and spend time with you all. This term we will be having fun packed day raising money for Mountbatten. For this charity event the children will be walking the golden mile in school, where we will be mixing up the classes. The children will also have a readathon in school also. We would love the children to come into school dressed up in something yellow Please can we ask for a £1 donation per child for the children coming into school wearing MUFTI.

Harvest Festival – In addition to the fund-raising day it will also be our Harvest Festival day. This will be a great opportunity for you to spend time in school looking at your children's books. 12-1pm you will be able to come into your child's classroom to see their work so far and also have lunch together. You are more than welcome to bring a packed lunch along for yourselves.

Times for the day =

12pm – Time in class looking through your child's work and eating lunch together

1pm onwards - Harvest Festival with St Marys Church

We are looking forward to seeing you all then.

Donations for our Food Bank – For Harvest Festival we are taking food contributions which will provide essential food for our local families in need. Please bring all non-perishable donations into school by Thursday 16th October. Our collected items will be on show in the hall.

Needed items – pasta, noodles and rice, tinned food (vegetables, fruit, soup, meat, fish), cereals, other packaged products with a long shelf life.

Every donation makes a real difference. Thank you for helping us support our local community. We look forward to a successful collection this year.

Collective worship this week – we have been continuing to focus on generosity

Bible Reflection – Proverbs 11:25: "Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered"

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.

Booking Dinners & School Clubs - Please can we remind you to book your child's lunches and Breakfast/Wraparound Clubs via SchoolMoney in advance. This will stop any debts accumulating on your accounts.

Parent / Carer Sessions – We look forward to welcoming all of you into school on 5th of November for our parent/carers sessions this term. Appointments with your children's teachers will be available from 3pm until 6pm. Signup sheets will be available in the office from the 13th of October.

Flu Immunisations - It's that time again. We will be having the IOW Immunisation team visiting us on the 10th of November. They will be seeing the children from Reception class upwards. You have been sent all the information regarding this and will need to either click on the link provided on the flyer or scan the QR code. Even if you would like your child to opt out of this you will need to follow the correct steps provided.

Reminders - Due to space in classes on pegs, please ensure your child has a foldable bag or drawstring bag – we cannot have rucksacks in school. Lunch boxes need to be plastic, please, Teachers will be checking lunch boxes and bags again next week. Please can we make sure to write your children's names in their clothing, especially their jumpers.

Start & end of the day - Can I please remind everyone that if you need to speak to a teaching member of staff, they are not available in the morning but after school only. Myself and Mrs Willshire are available from 8.30am daily. Due to the school entrance being a very busy place we are unable to have any parents/carers using this area other than to come in and speak to staff or to arrange a meeting.

Baby news – Just to let you all know that Mrs Hayward has had her baby. A little girl called Iris. We are looking forward to lots of photos and cuddles. Massive Congratulations.

Have a fantastic weekend and remember my door is always open

Mrs Gilbert - Head Teacher

Attendance Traffic Light System



Concern
Drastic affect on academic achievement.

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

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: 6th October 2025

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



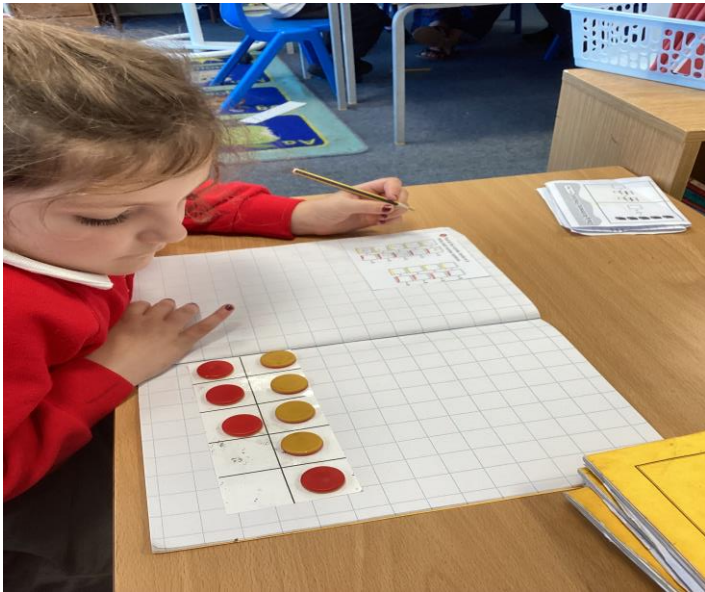
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Chicken Pizza	Roast Chicken	Beef Bolognese	Southern Fried Chicken
Apple and Golden Syrup cake	Strawberry Jelly	Flapjack with Fruit	Chocolate Orange Drizzle Cake	Lemon Cake

Please note that school lunches are now £3.15. Chartwells will be providing a slight change in menu on Friday 10th October for GO YELLOW DAY. Please take a look at the menu below.

<div>Dates for your diary:</div> <div>Diary Dates</div>	
October	3 rd – Invited pupils from Galapagos to attend Brading Roman Villa event. 10 th – Chartwells Go YELLOW Menu change for Mountbatten. (Menu to be amended) 15 th – Hawaii class trip to Naturezone 16 th – School Nurse visiting YrR & 6 17 th – Harvest Festival and Fund-Raising Day for Mountbatten 17 th – Wear Yellow for Mountbatten 20 th – 31 st Half Term
November	10 th – 11 th Bikeability 10 th – 1 st Flu Immunisation Session 17 th – School Nurse Drop in Session 9-11am (Please see Mrs Willshire to book)
December	1 st – 2 nd Flu Immunisation Session 22 nd – Christmas Holidays start

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ABOUT THIS WEEK	
CUBA	This week we have been focusing on the story of The Three Little Pigs. We have retold the story in tuff trays and built houses using play dough, sticks and bricks to blow down. The children have enjoyed exploring the sensory trays with the little pigs and painting our own pigs using pink paint, brushes and rollers. We have really enjoyed exploring the outside area in the lovely weather, we have even visited the trim trail.
HAWAII	This week in Hawaii class, the children continued their skills in tag rugby by being able to move around the space safely and remove each other's tags. We also explored the positive and negative influences our local environment has on animals. The children looked around the field for risks and how animals can find food, shelter, warmth, water and fresh air. Following this, the children designed their terrarium for spring tails.
ANTIGUA / ST LUCIA	This week in St Lucia we have been focusing on the gingerbread man. We have shared the story with each other in a variety of ways, for example, we have read it, watched it and we have even done our own story map of the story all together! In St Lucia we have also been working on heavy and light and full and empty in our maths lessons, using everyday objects to explore these concepts! What an amazing week!
NEW ZEALAND	This week in maths, we have been looking at number bonds to ten and twenty. We have been looking at the different features of writing a story ready for the children writing theirs next week. We have continued to learn about how to throw and catch a ball in tag rugby. In geography, we learned about the seasons and associated weather conditions. In PSHE, we have been talking about our feelings.
GALAPAGOS	This week Galapagos class have continued their work on place value, we have been rounding to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. They have really impressed me with the work they have produced and they have all worked so hard! In art we have continued our textiles project and the children have been successful in attaching two pieces of fabric using a running or cross stitch. Finally, in English we have begun our journey on writing a story. We have been exploring our class text, The Great Kapok Tree and thinking about how we can use our senses to write a setting description about the rainforest as well as exploring the thoughts and feeling of animals that would be impacted if the Kapok tree was to be chopped down. Have a great weekend!
JAMAICA	This week in Jamaica class, we have spent our science lesson investigating helpful and harmful bacteria. We recognised the difference between bacteria, and a virus. We then looked at the impact that bacteria can have on our foods. In topic, we looked at the difference between human and physical geography, which we will apply to the Americas in next week's lesson.

This Week in Pictures:





Attendance

Whole School Target: **95%**

Class	% Last Week
Antigua	91.7
St Lucia	71.1
Cuba	73
Hawaii	65.7
New Zealand	97.5
Galapagos	83.2
Jamaica	73

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

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



**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

Next session:

Date: Tuesday 17th 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

MOUNTBATTEN GO YELLOW FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

MAINS
FISH FINGERS
QUORN DIPPERS

SIDES
CHIPS
SWEETCORN
BAKED BEANS

DESSERT
ICED LEMON COOKIE

**FOR EVERY MEAL SOLD TODAY - 10P PER MEAL
WILL BE DONATED TO THE EARL MOUNTBATTEN
HOSPICE.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

***MENU MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Chartwells

ATTEND TODAY

ACHIEVE TOMORROW

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'.



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

Pumpkin Patch Playtime for Little Pumpkins

Join us on Friday mornings for a
special Pumpkin Patch Playtime session
for Little Pumpkins.

Fridays 10am - 12pm

Tickets cost £10 per child and include:

Entry to the pumpkin play patch

Hot chocolate and storytime

Pumpkin crafts

Patch scavenger hunt

Goody bag

To book: <https://westover-farm-pumpkins.sumupstore.com>

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PICK YOUR OWN PUMPKIN PATCH

Hot & cold refreshments

Free entry & parking

Photo opportunities

Kids scavenger hunt

Play area

Pumpkin carving

Face painting

Pick your own sweetcorn

October 2025

4th - 5th

10th - 12th

17th - 19th

22nd - 26th

29th - 31st

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Friday mornings are ticket only-payable in advance.*



Meet our new arrivals

Benji & Balu

Visit our webcams



CALLING ALL WITCHES AND WIZARDS

POTTY ABOUT POTTER! AND PERFORMANCE

Students aged 7-16 will build confidence, creativity, and teamwork as they step into the wizarding world of Harry Potter to bring their own story to life. Together, we'll create and perform a brand-new magical mystery.

Show back performance at 3:30 pm

Early bird rate: £25 for the day if booked before 13/10

Full Price: £30 (if booked after 13/10)

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

SCAN ME TO BOOK
YOUR PLACE



**TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER, 10:00AM TO 4:00PM
@ DEPARTMENT, RYDE**