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The Government's announcement this week was not one that I had hoped to hear and it does deeply concern me that many of our children will be away from school for six months—and possibly even more, as September is still uncertain at this time either. The Government has also confirmed that if schools have the capacity, then they may choose to bring more children back to school. At the moment, this is not a decision that we can take forward until I am certain of the numbers in current Years R, 1 and 6 as we are still having more children returning each week and may get to the point where we have to open more classes and this will then impact on the capacity of the school. However much I would like to bring the children back, it will just not be possible at this time. We will continue with our current arrangements of home learning, GoTo Meetings, Dojo and phone calls home. The Government also mooted about Summer School or catch up plans and at present I have no idea what this may entail, but as soon as I do I will share with the teams in school and with our families at home.

Talking about September, we have continued to plan for a full opening and have today sent home the staff teams and classes for next year, as well as talking with the children in each class too. It is always extremely complicated arranging each new year and with a reducing budget, particularly around High Need Provision (in one day we have lost £60,000 to support our High Needs Children) this will continue to be a genuine concern as we are moving forward. This will impact on our ability to continue to provide small classes and in the next academic year we will look at other structures so that we can continue to balance our reducing budget whilst ensuring the best for the children. This could all change if we get an increase in funding, which we are going to address not only locally but nationally.

In the letter you will have received today, you would have read that we have some changes in staffing for this coming year. This can always be a little unsettling for the community but it is something that occurs quite normally in schools. Mr Cooper, who has been with us for sixteen years and has been part of our incredible journey to our fabulous school today is moving with Ms Copen to the Sheffield area to be closer to their families. Mr Cooper has secured a job in a school catering for children right through from primary to secondary, with a real emphasis on life skills. I'm sure he will be successful in his new role and they will learn to laugh at his jokes as we have here! Ms Copen has secured a position with an Infant School in Sheffield too. We wish Mr Cooper and Ms Copen the very best in their exciting, new adventure and know they will be very much missed. Mr Read is also leaving us at the end of this term as he feels ready to pursue a new career, and having a passion for Geography and the environment this is the direction that he hopes to move in to. I am sure whatever life brings him, his passion for this will shine through and bring much happiness to him and his family. We also say goodbye to Miss Bailey who has only been with us for a short time. She now feels ready to follow her dream of working abroad and is moving to Ukraine to work in a school there. How exciting this will be to live and teach in a new country, with new cultures and new foods. I'm a little bit envious! Miss Fallick who has also been with us for a short time as she is going to complete her teacher training qualification at Northwood Primary School and I hope that if a future vacancy arises that we will see her application in the post! Finally, we say goodbye to one more member of staff

Miss Poulton, who is going to teach full time at Yarmouth Primary School. **I do wish all our leaving team members much happiness and excitement in their new lives. Please keep in touch and let us know how you are doing.**

On the letter I mention transition days. We had originally planned for a whole week but because of the announcement this week from the Government, we will do two days for each half of the class. We will send a letter home shortly with all the detail. The new teachers will be in school for this week too and they will also begin to join GoTo meetings and make visits to the school to meet the children both in and out of school over the coming weeks. I feel it is important that all the children have the opportunity to meet their new teachers and visit their new classrooms. **New Reception intake will also follow the two days in school for each half of the class.** However, the Reception team will also contact you to arrange a GoTo meeting and record videos that would have provided all the information at our new intake meetings in July.

Thank you to all the families who are emailing or calling in everyday in Year R, 1 and 6. This is so helpful and the team really appreciate it. It is really a big piece of work each morning, completing the registers not only for school but also for the Department Of Education and this is made even more challenging if we have to continue to phone and visit families who are not contacting us. So regardless of how you may feel about this, it will really help the team manage this procedure if you call in or email andrea.flux@lanesendpri.iow.sch.uk. Thank you.

This week in school, we have a No Electricity Day on Monday as it is National Electricity Day, so in school we are not going to use any electricity, (I will give allowances to the office teams and kitchen!) However, the children in school and hopefully at home can have a day with no electricity and enjoy a range of practical activities. We had arranged for SSE to visit on Monday but as this is now not possible we are hoping that they are going to provide some resources that we can share with everybody for this day. We have a Members Meeting on Tuesday. The members are responsible for monitoring the Trustees of the school and ensuring that we are fulfilling all our statutory duties. Mike Fleetham is in school on Wednesday (virtually), and he is going to do some training for our staff. There is a Pupil Council Meeting next Thursday and next Friday 19th June we will be celebrating Father's Day. **Daisy also returned to training this week** in a reduced class size. To say she was a little bit excited is an understatement! It has been great to see her interacting with the children this week and she even joined in the Golden Mile with them this week, which she loves!

Finally, **the Word Play this week is all about miranymys**, which are words that come in the middle of opposites. So for example, 'bottom' and 'top', the word in the 'middle' is middle! Can you find some more of these words at home?

The weather is meant to improve over the weekend and I really hope it warms up a little bit because I have definitely felt chilly this week!

Caroline Sice, Headteacher



FOR YOU

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Well Done to Macey Cook for your beautiful Japanese Cherry Tree Painting. Fantastic Artwork!



Breathing Colour

Choose a colour for the feeling you want to change. Breathe this colour out. Choose a colour for the feeling you want instead. Breathe this colour in.



TRICK BOX

This week's Trick: Breathing Colour



TRICK BOX

Why?

Everyone experiences different emotions- positive and negative. We need to learn to acknowledge emotions and self- manage them when necessary. This helps to develop healthy mental processing and overall well-being. Breathing is closely linked to emotional and physical state. Breathing quickly from the chest can trigger anxiety responses. Breathing through the nose helps us to achieve a more relaxed state (please consider any health related concerns such as asthma before completing this trick).

How?

Think 'what is my body saying?' If you have worries, taking about them can help but you can make yourself feel better too! This is done by changing how you breathe. Put one hand on your chest and one hand on your body. Breathe in slowly through your nose into your tummy- not your chest. Feel your tummy come up. Now breathe out slowly through your nose till your tummy goes down. Just gently, don't force it. Do this 3 times to practise.

You can breathe like this to change any feelings using colours. When some people feel angry, they say it feels like a grey colour or orange colour.. what about you? When people feel calm, it feels like a blue or purple colour...what about you?

I can breathe out the angry orange colour and breathe in the calm purple colour through my nose and tummy. You can do this trick on your own or with other people... I think we both are getting angry , let's change that by changing our breathing colour.

Give it a try and let us know how you get on!

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Summer Term Menu 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Week One 1 st June 15 th June 29 th June 13 th July	Main Option	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with potato wedges	Macaroni Cheese	Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes, vegetables and Gravy	Chicken Curry with Rice	Fish Fingers with Chips
	Veggie Option	Jacket Potato available	Jacket Potato available	Quorn Fillet, Roast Potatoes, vegetables and gravy	Jacket Potato available	Jacket Potato available
	Jacket Potato	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings
	Dessert	Fruit and Ice Cream	Vanilla Shortbread	Cheese, Biscuits and Apple	Apple Crumble and Custard	Chocolate Drizzle Cake
Week Two 8 th June 22 nd June 6 th Jul 20 th July	Main Option	Sausages, Mash, Peas and Gravy	Tomato and Vegetable Pasta	Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Fish Fingers and Chips
	Veggie Option	Veggie Sausages, Mash, Peas and Gravy	Jacket Potato available	Quorn Roast, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Jacket Potato available	Jacket Potato available
	Jacket Potato	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings	With a selection of fillings
	Dessert	Fruit and Ice Cream	Apple Crumble with Custard	Cheese, Biscuits and Apple	Oat Cookie	Iced Vanilla Sponge

Available Daily:

- Freshly cooked jacket potatoes (where advertised)
- Freshly Baked Bread
- Salad Bowl
- Fresh Fruit
- Baguettes Available for Key Stage 2 Daily

ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.

Reminder!

Polite Reminder:

Reminder!

Please remember if you are entitled to a Hamper that these need to be collected by midday on Mondays. We send out texts to remind you that they are ready to

WEEK beginning Monday 8th June

Isle of Wight Libraries online

MONDAY 8TH

TUESDAY 9TH

FRIDAY 12TH

SATURDAY 13TH

Empathy Rhyme of the week

Friends of Lord Louis Library. Facebook page
Join Jo to find out what the special empathy rhyme of the week is and get practising before Friday's live rhymetime!



Empathy Storytime

WITH RACHEL
Friends of Ryde Library. Facebook page
Join Rachel for a very special empathy storytime!

WEDNESDAY 10TH

GET CRAFTY

Friends of Sandown Library. Facebook page
Join Jenny and learn how to make mice finger puppets with cheese!

Rhymetime with Anna

Friends of Freshwater Library. Facebook page
10.30am
Join Anna for a live rhymetime this week. Singalong and learn the actions

Quiz.

Friends of Ventnor Library. Facebook page
Keep your brain sharp during lock down with Ventnor library's fantastic quiz!

LEGO CHALLENGE!

Supporters of Cowes Library. Facebook page
Watch Adam's video and find out what Lego challenge he has for you this week! Then it's time for you to get creative and share what you've built!

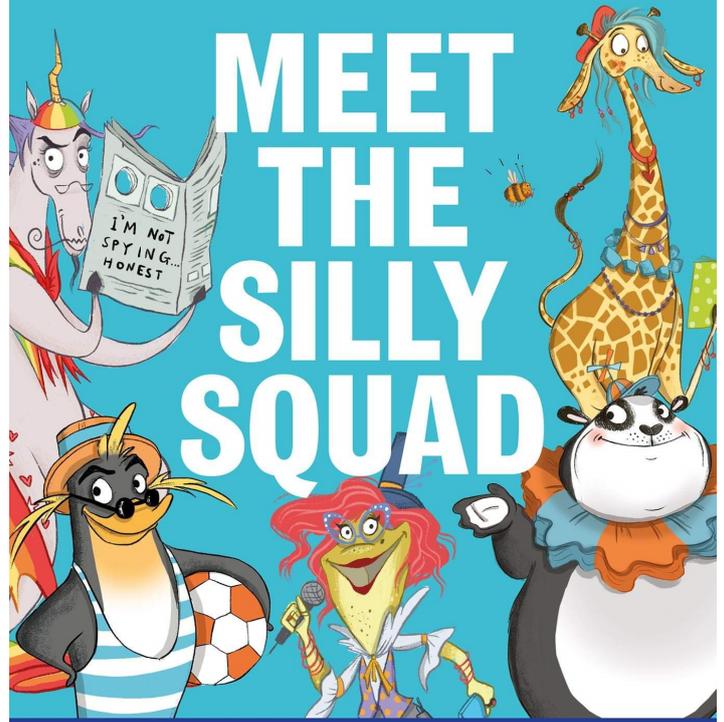
Storytime

WITH RACHEL
Isle of Wight Council Libraries. Facebook page
Saturday morning
Join Rachel for her brilliant weekly storytime!

Empathy Day focuses on how we can use books to step into someone else's shoes



Plus! Head over to the Friends of Ventnor Library Facebook page for their daily crafts!



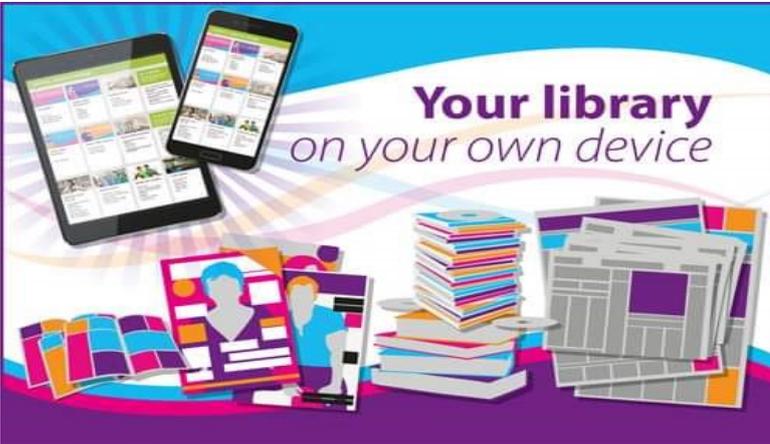
MEET THE SILLY SQUAD

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

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Take part in our Summer Reading Challenge 2020. Let's get silly!
#SILLYSQUAD2020

Are you ready to get silly? The Isle of Wight Library will be hosting a virtual Isle of Wight Silly Squad Day of fun on Friday 19th June between 4pm and 7pm for all manner of fun. More details on their Isle of Wight Library Facebook page where you can also sign up for this year's Summer Reading Challenge 2020—Silly Squad 2020!



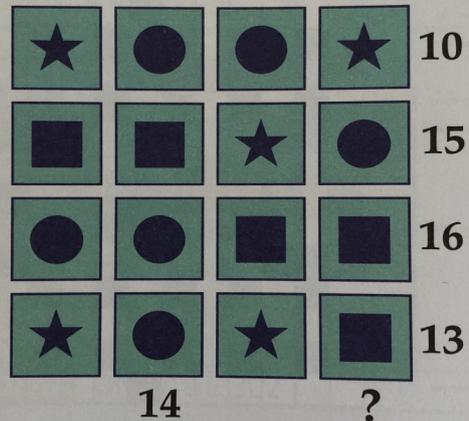
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Puzzle Corner



Each shape in the diagram has a value. Work out the values to discover what number should replace the question mark.



Last Week's Answer:

B is the only one that contains no triangle.



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LANE ZONE



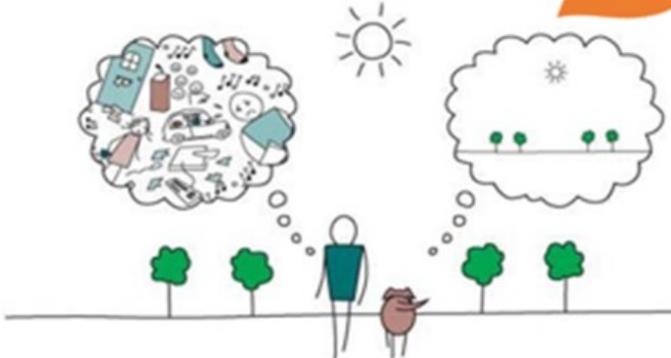
*Tune into the quiet and calm,
turn down the busy and give
this week's activity a go...*

Mind Full, or Mindful?



Practising **PATIENCE**
is 'doing' whilst you
are waiting...

LANESEND ZONE



Mind Full, or Mindful?

Tune into the quiet and calm, turn down the busy and give this week's activity a go...

Remember our **M**indfulness tools, seek the sunshine, talk often, dance, laugh & love #TeamLanesend

JOYFUL JUNE (EVEN IN DIFFICULT TIMES) 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Decide to look for what's good, even on the difficult days	2 Re-frame a worry and try to find a positive way to respond	3 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down	4 Show your appreciation to those who are helping others	5 Smile and be friendly, even while you're social distancing	6 Notice the upsides during the lockdown, however small	7 Find a joyful way of being physically active (indoors or out)
8 Write a letter to thank someone for what they did	9 Find the joy in music today: sing, play, dance or listen	10 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it	11 Say positive things in your conversations with others today	12 Make a plan with friends to do something fun together	13 Appreciate the joy of nature and the beauty in the world around	14 Do three things to bring joy to other people today
15 Rediscover a fun childhood activity that you can enjoy today	16 Ask a loved one what they feel grateful for at the moment	17 Be kind to you. Treat yourself the way you would treat a friend	18 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement	19 Create a list of favourite memories you feel grateful for	20 Make time to do something playful today, just for the fun of it	21 Enjoy trying a new recipe or cooking your favourite food
22 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you	23 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it	24 Thank a friend for the joy they bring into your life	25 Eat food that makes you feel good and really savour it	26 See the upside in a difficult situation you learnt from	27 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh	28 Create a playlist of your favourite songs and enjoy them
29 Take time to do something that makes you happy today	30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to them)	<p>"Every day may not be good, but there is something good in every day" ~ Alice Morse Earle</p>				

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