

Sciurus Novus 17/11/23

Welcome Back!



Dear Families

What a week we've had! Despite the very soggy weather, the children have had such an exciting week. All week, we've been focusing on 'Anti-Bullying' with our 'odd socks' day on Monday and a fantastic cake sale which raised an amazing amount of money. See later in the newsletter for more details! Thank you to our fantastic Anti-bullying ambassadors for taking charge of this and for all of our families for contributing, and buying cakes! On Thursday, we had a visit from Pudsey Bear and on Friday, children were invited to come into school in mufti to raise money for Children in Need. Thank you again for all your support for this fantastic charity.

Last night, our wonderful choir performed a range of Christmas songs for the turning on of Cowes Christmas lights. Their performance was fabulous and they drew a large crowd who enjoyed listening. Thank you to our Choir and to the adults who have supported them - Mrs Wall, Miss Jones, Miss Foad and Miss Dove as well as all the other staff who came to support. Sainsbury's kindly donated boxes of chocolates for our singers and we are very grateful to Cowes Town Council who gave a generous donation for Dance Live. Thank you so much!

I've seen some amazing learning taking place this week. In Princess and the Frog class, I was taught all about rivers, with a fantastic model which the children had made, showing all the different parts of a river with amazing knowledge and use of technical vocabulary. Wonderful! Year 6 have been busy doing some assessments and in Year 5, they've been linking their learning of Ancient Greece with subordinate clauses! Finally, I was invited to hear the most wonderful performance of 'The Owl and the Pussy Cat' in Beauty and the Beast class. They were amazing and it was a joy to watch and listen to their fabulous rendition. Well done children for all your fantastic learning and thank you to our amazing team who all go above and beyond to support our wonderful children.

Have a fabulous weekend,

Best wishes

Mrs Sutton

Celebrations from around the school!



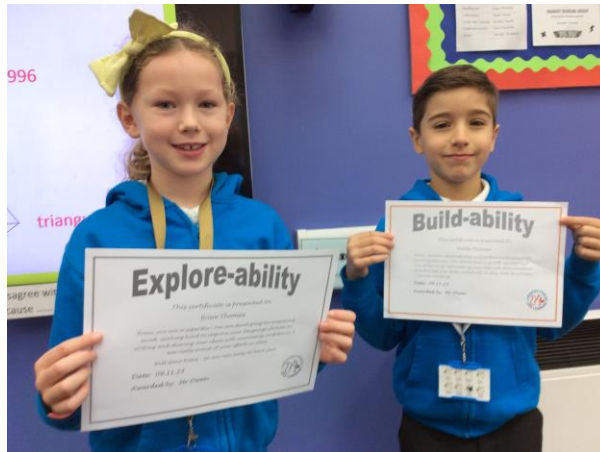
1 - Well done to these Year 1 Celebration Legends: Mariana, Maddox, Aishling, Lorelei



2 - Well done to these Year 3 Celebration Legends: Alfred, Orion, Rosaleigh, Rex, Tori, Lola, Isabelle and Thomas



3 - Well done to these Year 4 Celebration Legends: Phoebe and Harry



4 - Well done to these Year 4 Celebration Legends: Rosie and Pablo



5 - Well done to these Year 5 Celebration Legends: Mia and Harrison (who were unfortunately ill) Joe, Daisy, Sophie and Daisy-Mae.



6 - Well done to these Year 6 Celebration Legends: Ellis, Daniel, Logan, Daisy, Lacey and Teigen



7 - Bobby was awarded the Golden Token from Mr. Andre for showing the quality of confidence in his approach to all of his learning this week and for showing super progress in his recognition of tricky words in phonics – well done Bobby!



8 - Orion was awarded Mr. Andre's Golden Token. Well done Ozzy!



9 - Finlay was awarded his Golden Token this week.



10 - Barbie Rose was this week's super star speller – not only wowing us with her focus and achievements in spelling through the week but also getting every spelling right in our Friday spelling quiz – well done Barbie Rose for always working so hard in your spelling home learning – you really deserve this success!



11 - Nancy was our super speller in Year 1!



12 - Our Elves children who completed their Rainbow Challenges this week. Well done Elves.



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Lanesend Cake Sale



On Monday, our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors helped to run our Cake Sale after school. **We raised an amazing £135.20 from sales.** Thank you to all our amazing families who baked and donated cakes and to all our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors for helping to run this being great role models. Thank you all.



14 - Some of our fabulous cakes made by our wonderful families, staff and children

House Point Celebration - Autumn 2, week 1!



Total for Autumn 2, week 2



15 - Well done to Gryffindor House who took the lead in the House Totals this week

Running total...



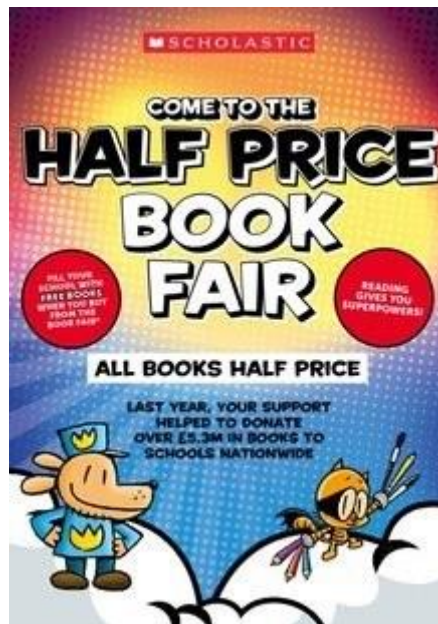
16 - Gryffindor are also in the lead for the term so far

Reminders for the week

- **Friday 17th November - Children In Need 2023: Children can come to school wearing Mufti on this day for a £1 donation to Children in Need on this day.** This payment will be added to your child's School Money to pay electronically. Please pay this by Thursday 16th November 2023. Thank you.
- **A reminder that the gate for YR, Y2 and Y3 close at 8:30am and for Y1, Y4, Y5 and Y6 close at 8:35**
- **Our Scholastics Half Price Book Fair begins week commencing Monday 27th November.** They will be some fabulous books half price on sale and these would also make lovely gifts for Christmas. We will post more information regarding this next week and on our social media platforms. Thank you.
- Look out for our **Squirrel's Den questionnaire** that we shared during the week so that you can share your views. We will close it at the end of the day on **Monday 20th**. Thank you!
- **Covid:** Government guidance is not to test unless advised by a medical professional. If a child has tested positive for Covid, they need to stay at home for 3 days after the test. For adults it's 5 days.
- Please note, **the last day of the term is Wednesday 20th and we will finish at the normal time.** There will be **no Squirrel's Den** provided on this day.



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18 - Our half price Scholastics Book Fair begins week commencing Monday 27th November in school

Attendance



Year	Class	Percentage
R	Little Red Riding Hood	98.80%
R	Little Mermaid	93.90%
1	Goldilocks and the Three Bears	94.60%
1	Elves and the Shoemakers	96.90%
2	Enchanted	97.50%
2	Beauty and the Beast	96.70%
2	Pinocchio	99.60%
3	Gingerbread	93.30%
3	Cinderella	93.80%
3	Peter Pan	95.40%
4	Billy Goats Gruff	92.70%
4	Snow White	94.40%
4	Princess and the Frog	90.60%
5	Jack and the Beanstalk	99.00%
5	Sleeping Beauty	92.40%
5	Rapunzel	95.10%
6	Rumpelstiltskin	97.80%
6	Aladdin	88.50%
6	Hansel and Gretel	95.70%
Total	Total	95.00%

19 - Well done to Little Red Riding Hood, Elves and the Shoemakers, Enchanted, Beauty and the Beast, Pinocchio, Jack and the Beanstalk and Rumpelstiltskin who all achieved over 96% attendance last week. Well done all.

Dates for your Diary



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Monday 13th November

Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 17th November

Children In Need—Mufti Day for all

Monday 27th November

Book Fair Starts—All Week

Wednesday 6th December

Christmas Crafternoon—New Intake

Tuesday 12th December

Christmas Sing Along—4pm

Wednesday 13th December

Reception Nativity Performance 3.30pm

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Jumper/Festive Wear Day

Christmas Lunch Day

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Pantomime visit to school—whole school

Last Day of Term

Wednesday 3rd January 2024

First Day Back

20 - Here are our Dates for the Diary for this Autumn Term 2:

E-Safety Tip

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many devices which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit nationalonline.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SMART TVs

Smart TVs connect to the internet without the need for a set-top box or streaming device, letting users access a range of features through the TV set itself, from on-demand content apps like BBC iPlayer to streaming services such as Netflix, as well as connecting to smartphones and other wireless devices. Most new televisions are internet enabled – so whether you're thinking of upgrading your home viewing system or buying an additional TV for your child's room, it's now even more important to consider the online safety aspects.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

From Netflix to Disney+ to Prime Video, there is a plethora of streaming services available. While these services offer content catering for younger viewers, they also provide material for more mature audiences. If you don't have parental controls set up on your accounts, your child could find themselves being exposed to shows and movies with adult themes, strong language and violence.

UNCONVINCING SECURITY

As Internet of Things (IoT) devices, smart TVs can be uniquely vulnerable to attack. Experts warn that internet-enabled TVs tend not to support high-level security software, so you won't always be able to download strong antivirus programmes like you would on a phone or computer. Being targeted by hackers could be deeply upsetting for your child, as well as putting their personal data at risk.

INCREASED SCREEN TIME

The array of content available through smart TVs could lead to your child spending excessive amounts of time in front of the screen. Not only can prolonged screen time distract from important activities such as schoolwork or exercise, but experts have also warned that endless hours in front of the box can lead to health problems including obesity, poor sleeping patterns and depression.

REMOTE-CONTROL RETAIL

Like many online devices, smart TVs facilitate digital purchases: buying a new app or the latest season of a favourite show, for example. If your child has access to a bank card and isn't restricted by spending controls on the system, they could run up a sizeable bill through a smart TV fairly quickly – especially if they're not quite old enough to fully appreciate the value of money.

A SILENT SPY?

Some smart TVs already collect data on users' viewing habits and then display targeted advertising based on that personal information – while there have also been reports of internet-enabled TVs (and the apps installed on them) being used to 'eavesdrop' on owners. In models with a built-in microphone (for voice activation), third parties could potentially listen in on someone's home life.

CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

Many smart TVs can be used for web browsing, social media and live streaming – all of which could allow unknown users to contact your child (or vice versa). If your child engages with these functions of the TV, a stranger could potentially discover their contact information and potentially then use it to obtain even more sensitive personal details, such as your home address.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE IT A FAMILY THING

Family TV time is a great way to model the responsible enjoyment of technology – showing your child how to use the smart TV safely for when they're old enough to watch it independently. You could also take this opportunity to establish some healthy TV boundaries, such as time limits on their daily viewing or how to make sure they're only watching content that's appropriate for their age.

CREATE CHILD PROFILES

Much like with smartphones and tablets, apps can be downloaded onto smart TVs, from free content platforms such as BBC iPlayer to paid-for services like Prime Video. Most of these apps allow you to create a separate account for your child which has different settings to your own – suggesting more child-friendly material and reducing the possibility of them viewing explicit content.

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

It's likely that your smart TV has built-in parental controls, which not only let you filter out age-inappropriate shows, movies and games but can also restrict in-app purchasing, so your child can't accidentally spend money through the device. When you've enabled these safeguards, have an open conversation with your child about the reasons, helping them to understand the potential risks.

CONSIDER THE LOCATION

If you're concerned about the online safety hazards that a smart TV might pose to your child, you could consider where in your home you put the device. The safest option would be to place the smart TV in a shared family space – so that an adult is usually nearby and able to supervise while your child's watching it – rather than in the relative privacy of a bedroom.

Meet Our Expert

Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with a track record of more than 10 years in the industry. Previously the editor of Tech Insider The Insider, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.

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Bob Seely Christmas Card Competition



An exciting opportunity to have your card design used by Bob Seely MP.

This exciting competition gives our children a chance to showcase their artistic skills and the winning design will be used as Bob's digital Christmas card this year.

The deadline for all entries is Friday, 24 November 2023 and the winner will be announced the following week.

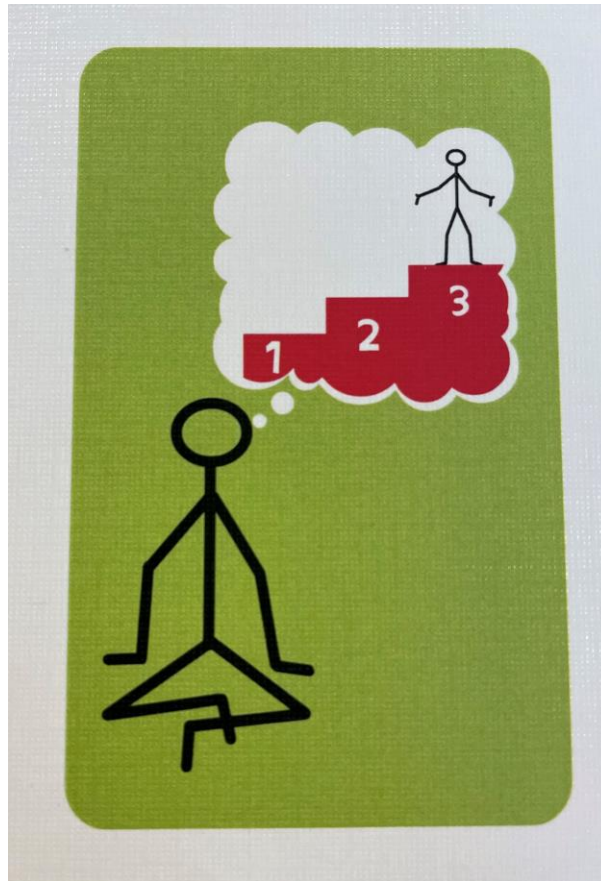
If you would like to enter this competition please bring any entries into school and we will make sure they are sent to the correct place.

Let's aim for a Lanesend winning entry!

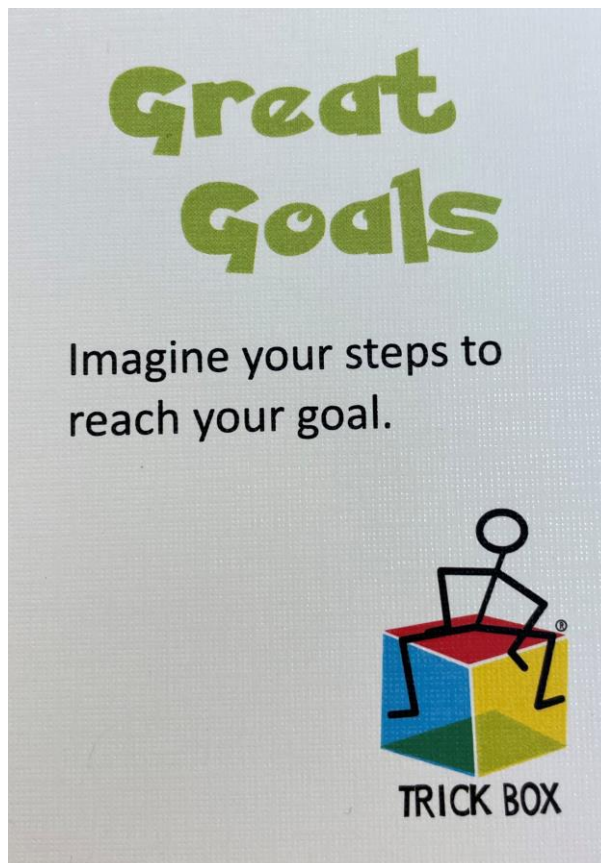
Trick Box of the Week!



21 - Mrs Domoney's Trick of the Week video for this week...



22 - This week's Trick is 'Great Goals'



23 - *'Imagine your steps to reach your goal'*



Lanesend Primary School
Love Learning, Every Day

We are open every day to show you around our stand out school. We are all very excited to meet you and we look forward to welcoming you to our Lanesend family! To book your personal tour, please call us on 01983 293233 or email admin@lanesendprimary.co.uk

We are also holding dedicated Open Days with personal tours especially for new Reception families joining us in 2024. These will be held on:

- Thursday 28th September - 9am - 3pm**
- Tuesday 17th October - 9am - 4pm**
- Wednesday 8th November - 9am - 4pm**
- Friday 24th November - 9am - 3pm**



Lanesend Primary School
Love Lane, Cowes
Isle of Wight, PO31 7ES
Tel: 01983 293233

<http://www.lanesendprimary.co.uk>



Story Time Sessions

Children due to start Reception in September 2024 are invited to our after-school play and story time sessions. You will be able to meet the team and explore the Early Years environment before settling down to enjoy a story together.

Story time sessions will be held on:

Wednesday 8th November 2023: The Gruffalo
3:15pm - 4:00 pm

Wednesday 15th November 2023: Dear Zoo
3:15pm - 4:00 pm

Wednesday 22nd November 2023: The Tiger Who Came to Tea
3:15pm - 4:00 pm

Wednesday 29th November 2023: The Three Billy Goats Gruff
3:15pm - 4:00 pm

"My daughter loved attending these sessions and it really helped her confidence when she finally started school. She knew all the staff and felt at home in the classrooms."



Children due to start school
in September 2024 are
invited to our Lanesend
'Christmas Crafternoon'

Children and their families who are due to start school in September 2024 are invited to join Team Lanesend for a Christmas Crafternoon session.

You can meet our Team and explore our fabulous school, as well as making some wonderful Christmas crafts, including tree decorations, cards and gifts, to take home with you.



Thursday 7th December 2023
3.15pm – 4.30pm



If you require any further information, please email:
Tara Hopkinson, Assistant Headteacher at
tara.hopkinson@lanesendpri.low.sch.uk






Christmas Schools at the Wildheart Animal Sanctuary

Bring your class out to enjoy a festive day at the Sanctuary

Join us every day between 10am-2pm from November 6th for a Wildheart Christmas Session!

- Enjoy a tour of the Wildheart Animal Sanctuary to see and meet our animals
- Take part in an enrichment workshop to make Christmas presents for our animals
- Burn off some energy with a special Christmas scavenger hunt



Special Offer
10% off bookings made before **7th November!**
Normal Price: £7.50
Offer Price: £6.75 (per child)

Teachers & support staff go free!
Min group size 10 - max 30
Pre-booking is essential and can be done by emailing Zeb at:
discovery@wildheartanimalsanctuary.org






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Price: £4 (Adults go free!)



Trinity Theatre,
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As inspired by Ambrose Theatre

Sleeping Beauty

A traditional pantomime

Written by Luke Mulhern
produced by the 2022 Cinderella team!

Fri 1st Dec 7:30pm

Fri 8th Dec 7:30pm

Sat 2nd Dec 2:30pm

Sat 9th Dec 2:30pm

Sun 3rd Dec 2:30pm

Sun 10th Dec 2:30pm

Adults £10 | Under 16 £7 | Family (2A+2C) £30

Bookings: www.caods.org.uk | 01983 295229



Kids Afternoon Pottery Club

Fridays 4pm - 5:30pm during term time.

An exciting opportunity for your child to learn a variety of making techniques in our working pottery studio. Over a 6 week period, we will explore wheel throwing, sculpting and modelling and follow the pottery process through to completion. They'll finish with a range of glazed and fired pieces to take home.

To book visit us at:
www.isleofwightpottery.com

£108 for 6 weeks



Short Story Writing Competition



2023

THE FUTURE

Enter our competition, with a futuristic theme, for a chance to have your story published and recorded by a celebrity, plus other great prizes to be won!



RICHARD CADELL



CHESNEY HAWKES

ENTRY FEE (per story)

£8.00 Adults (1500 - 2000 words)

£2.00 12 - 17s (up to 750 words)

£2.00 8 - 11s (up to 500 words)

£2.00 Under 8s (up to 250 words with pictures)



DEBBIE MCGEE



R C BRIDGESTOCK

ENTRY FORMS FROM

Waterstones, Newport

Sight for Wight, Newport

Dress for Less, 57 Pyle Street, Newport

Email: admin@iwsb.org.uk

For more information visit: sightforwight.org.uk

Award Ceremony on Friday 8th December 2023

Riverside Centre, Newport @ 7pm

ENTRIES MUST BE RETURNED BY 5PM ON FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

Sight for Wight is the working name for Isle of Wight Society for the Blind

Registered charity number 1149415 Company limited by guarantee 6240404

Christmas Gift and Craft Day

2nd December, 11am-3pm

Cowes Baptist Church

Victoria Road

Join us for a day of gifts and crafting!

Children and young people - choose and wrap a gift for your parents/carers while the grown-ups enjoy some refreshments!


Everything Free of Charge

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Aladdin

THE PANTOMIME



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9th December 2pm & 7pm ☆ 10th December 1pm & 5pm



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Would you like information on how to access additional support regarding your child's education?
Why not attend the Education & Early Help

Drop-in Session

Come and visit us at
the Newport Family
Centre (next to Barton
Primary School) on
14th November 2023
between 1.30pm and
4.30pm.

To Contact Early Help team please call 01983 823171
To Contact Education & Inclusion Service 01983 823151



COWES LIBRARY CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Sat 25 NOV 2023
10am - 3pm

A wide range of unique Christmas gifts
Children's Christmas crafts 10am - 12pm
Lucky dip
Huxley Magic Show 1 - 2pm (£1 per child)
A chance to win a Christmas cake
A fund raising raffle
Cakes and refreshments courtesy of the
Supporters of Cowes Library



If you wish to take part,
tables are available at £6
For more information or an
application form call in at Cowes
Library or
Tel: 01983 293341



**Drive into Christmas with a unique trip to the cinema
from the comfort of your car and enjoy treats
from Rollin' Pizza and The Churro Van!**

Needles Landmark Attraction | £22 per car

Saturday, 2nd December	Sunday, 3rd December
How The Grinch Stole Christmas (PG)	Frozen (PG)
Last Christmas (12A)	It's a Wonderful Life (PG)
Bad Santa (15)	Office Christmas Party (15)

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Get in touch: 01983 655 038
fundraising@wessexcancer.org.uk



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Building COMPETITION

How would you protect the land from the sea? Create a sea defence using any building material you like!

Lots of prizes up for grabs!

Open to Ages 3-14

Send photo of your child's entry to

IOW_FDschemes@environment-agency.gov.uk with your child's first name and age.

Closes 1st December!



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COASTAL DEFENCE SCHEMES