



6th September 2024

Dear Families,

Welcome back to another exciting year for Team Binstead. It has been lovely to see all the children and families back to school this week with big smiles on their faces, ready for all the new learning in their new year groups!

Next week look out on Class Dojo for the Parent Information leaflets that will give you information on what your children are learning this half term, and what you can do to support them at home. One of the most important things you can do is help your child with their reading. Ideally this is daily practice at home. We teach a very structured reading programme of Little Wandle Phonics, the more practice your children do with you at home, the better readers they will become, allowing them to fully access the curriculum going through the school.

I am sure you are delighted with the news this week that our school has not been identified at this stage for closure and our thoughts go out to those schools who will be affected. Please keep an eye out for any further documentation sent out following the council meetings being held over the next few months.

Next week I will send you all a complete list of dates for the year. As last year, we have fully planned out the year with INSET days, Christmas Play dates, Parent's evenings etc. There will always be additions to the dates throughout the year, but we will try to give as much notice as possible of these exciting additions to the calendar.

After the EYFS team visiting all our wonderful new Team Binstead Families this week, we cannot wait to welcome our new Reception children into the building on Monday! We know you will have a wonderful time as part of Team Binstead and look forward to seeing you all looking super smart in your uniform on Monday morning.

Have a lovely weekend everyone,

Mrs Chessell
Headteacher

If your child is absent from school, please email or phone the office by 9.30am . Telephone calls must be confirmed in writing within 7 days or the absence will be coded as unauthorised.

If they have a medical appointment and are going to be late, please also let us know and tell us if they would like a school meal ordered.

Week 1 menu	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Beef Burger Potato Wedges	BBQ Chicken Roast Potatoes	Chicken and Broccoli Pasta Bake	Fish fingers
Option 2	BBQ Quorn Fillet	Vegetarian Burger	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Chilli No Carne Crispy Tortilla	Quorn Dippers
Dessert	Crispy Crackle Bar with fruit	Raspberry Jelly	Shortbread and Fruit	Vanilla Ice Cream	Flapjack

Cheese, Beans or Cheese and Beans Jacket potato, tomato pasta, yoghurt and fruit available daily

Free school meals - Reception, years 1 and 2

PLEASE APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS IF YOU THINK YOU ARE ELIGIBLE EVEN IF YOUR CHILD IS IN RECEPTION OR YEARS 1 AND 2

Children in Year 3 and above will need to pay for dinners, or apply for Free School Meals using the details below if you are entitled

From September 2014 all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in state-funded schools in England are eligible for free school meals. This includes academies, free schools, pupil referral units and alternative provision as well as maintained schools. Although you do not have to complete an application form to receive free school meals in these year groups, if you receive any of the benefits listed below additional money is provided to the school by central government for every child whose parent is in receipt one of the benefits listed.

To access this additional funding for your primary school you would be required to complete an application for free school meals.

- Income support (IS)
- Income based' jobseeker's allowance (IBJSA)
- Income related employment and support allowance (IRESA)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child tax credit (provided you do not receive working tax credit and have an annual income, as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not currently exceed £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit.

Children who receive any of the above benefits in their own right (for example, they get benefits payments directly, instead of through a parent or guardian) can also apply for free school meals.

Please use the details below to apply online.

<https://www.iow.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools/free-school-meals/>

ATTENDANCE

WITH EFFECT FROM 19 AUGUST 2024

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything.

Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine.

The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

1

£160



FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN

2



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

3

10 IN 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, the school will consider prosecution.

1

DAY =

2

SESSIONS

FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS

4



+£160



+£160



+£160



+£160



4 children & 2 parents
= £1280

Reduced to £640
if paid in 21 days

If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

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2ND TIME

2 parents and...

1 child - £320

2 children = £640

3 children = £960

4 children = £1280

No discount for
early payment

3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given.

Your case will be taken to court.

A magistrate can fine each parent
£2500 for each child.

1 parent & 4 children = £10,000

2 parents & 4 children = £20,000



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT



[gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance)

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**FREE ENTRY
OPEN DAYS**

NO NEED TO BOOK

NEWPORT ROMAN VILLA

MUSEUM OF ISLAND HISTORY

HERITAGE

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EXHIBITIONS




- ◆ Explore one of the best-preserved Roman bath suites in Southern Britain
- ◆ New acquisitions
- ◆ Historic Newport
- ◆ Views of the Isle of Wight

◆ 10.30am to 2.30pm
◆ Friday 6 September
◆ Free entry

**ALL-WEATHER
EXTRACTIONS**

◆ 10am to 1pm
◆ Saturday 7 September
◆ Free entry

Cypress Road,
Newport,
IW, PO30 1HA

01983 823433
iow.gov.uk/museums
museums@iow.gov.uk

Guildhall, High Street,
Newport, IW, PO30 1TY

Isle of Wight Council

Events organised by the Isle of Wight Heritage Service

LITTLE SAINTS

RYDE.CHURCH

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY

Inflatables | Messy Play
Face Painting | Garden Games
Soft Play | Crafts

Cafe Drinks & Snacks

ALL SAINTS RYDE CHURCH
7 SEPTEMBER | 11-3 PM

Adult Community Learning are pleased to launch their new autumn programme of workshops and courses ranging from functional skills English and maths, ICT, Art, Craft, and Wellbeing, plus a wide range of FREE short online courses.

If you are interested in developing your skills further, perhaps to retrain or return to work, why not book a careers appointment with our information, advice, and guidance professional? She will tailor the appointment to your needs and can offer you help with CV writing, covering letters, application forms or support you with career changes, redundancy, education, and training.

Our ICT suite is also open every Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm (term time only), for anyone that needs help with their learning, assistance accessing a computer or advice with job applications.

For more information and to book, head over to our website www.iow.gov.uk/ACLCourses, call our office on 01983 817280 or pop into The Learning Centre, Westridge, Ryde.