

St Blasius Shanklin C of E Primary Academy

Enjoy and Achieve in life in all its fullness, following in the footsteps of Jesus Newsletter 34 20th June 2025

Wisdom

Endurance ~

Friendship

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St Blasius Church of England Academy Shanklin

Dear St Blasius families

What a wonderful week we've had at St Blasius Primary! There's been such a lovely buzz around school with so many exciting activities and special moments to share with you all.

Our worship this week, led by Miss Mather provided an explanation from Jesus that He wants to share more with His friends, including understanding the mystery of who God is. Children learnt that to help, Jesus sends us His Holy Spirit to guide us to the truth of God's way. The Scripture John 16:12-15 was shared with the children to help support this.

Our new EYFS children and their parents have been settling in beautifully with their first stay and play session. It's been such a joy watching these little ones explore their new environment with such curiosity and enthusiasm, while parents have had the perfect opportunity to see their children beginning their learning journey with us.

Some of our Year 6 pupils had an exciting visitor from The Island Free School, giving them a valuable glimpse into their next educational chapter. Meanwhile, our Year 4 families gathered for the PGL meeting about their upcoming residential - such an exciting adventure ahead!

Our class photos have been taken, capturing all those wonderful smiles and will be available soon. More information to follow

With this beautiful sunny weather, please remember to send your children with hats, sun cream, and water bottles to keep them protected and hydrated throughout the day.

The big question last week was:

What would the world be like without imagination?

Sad. Sophia, Year 1

The world would be blank. Jesse, Year 2

Boring because imagination makes it more exciting. Edward, Year 3

The world would be empty. Thomas, Year 5

Dull, dark and boring. Arthur, Year 6

The big question this week is:

Can one person change the world?

What an incredible week it's been! And for those heading to the IOW Festival, have a wonderful time but please stay safe!

Kind regards

Jemma Powell Assistant Principal

Important dates:

Tuesday 24th June-Friday 27th June - Year 6 Paris Trip

Thursday 26th June– Film Night

Wednesday 2nd July– Year 5 Sailing Trip

Wednesday 2nd July-Friday 4th July- Year 4 PGL Trip

Tuesday 8th July-

IOW School Transition date

Thursday 10th July-DCAT Enriched

Friday 18th July-

Sports Day

Friday 18th July– Summer Fair

Thursday 24th July-

Year 6 Leavers Assembly



Year 2

As we come towards to the end of the current school year, it is wonderful to reflect upon the progress the children have made since September. This term, as usual, Year 2 have taken on many challenges and have always shown an eagerness to succeed and a good level of endurance when they been challenged.

This term in PE, Year 2 have enjoyed taking part in athletics and they have spent time refining their catching and throwing skills.

In DT, Year 2 are enjoying their making their own 'Seaside Snacks' such as fruit Iollies and cupcakes.

In history, the children were fascinated by the topic of 'Seaside Holidays in the Past.' They were interested to learn about the steam train and the effect it had on the ability of poorer people to go on their summer holidays at the seaside. The children became minihistorians and examined photographs and other forms of evidence in order to discover what people wore, what kind of entertainment they viewed and what kinds of food people ate at the seaside in the past. This half term in geography, the children are becoming 'Map Makers'.



They have begun examining maps and have had fun designing their own treasure maps. They had the chance to direct their friends around the maps.



In RE, Year 2 have just begun their learning journey centred around the theme of 'Special'. The children brought in what they considered to be their very own special books. They discussed why their books were special to them. In science, the children have been enjoying many practical activities as part of the topic of 'Growing Plants'. They have learnt about what plants needs to grow. They have also attempted to grow their plants.



Yet again, Year 2 have been fantastic mathematicians. They have successfully refined their addition and subtraction skills. They have applied these skills to their knowledge money. In addition, they have learnt how to find halves, quarters and thirds of various shapes, objects, sets of objects and quantities.

We are looking forward to a fun and eventful end to the school year.







St Blasius After School Club's

Monday	KS1 Athletics	***
	Run by Mr Poplett	> $+$
Tuesday	KS2 Cricket Club	
	Run by Mr Poplett	
Wednesday	John Cattles Skateboarding club	
	Run by John Cattle £4 per session FULL	5 5
Thursday	KS2 Athletics Run by Mr Poplett	\gg
Thursday	EYFS + KS1 Dance club	12. 12.
	Run by Mrs James £3 per session	Ŧ
Thursday	Science Club	
	Run by Mr Clarke	
Friday	KS2 Dance club	
	Run by Mrs James £3 per session	*
Friday	KS2 Tennis club Run by Mr Poplett	

Invitation from the School nurses:

We are able to offer targeted support for the following areas for students:

- Sleep
- Constipation/toileting concerns
- Day and night time wetting
- Hearing/vision concerns
- Dietary advice/weight management/body image
- Development/puberty advice
- Personal hygiene/oral health
- Emotional wellbeing

If you are interested please contact the school office to book an appointment on 01983 862444.





The PTA are holding a Film Night for the children on Thursday 26th June





Children can come in PJs and bring a blanket! Tickets will be £3 and will include a hotdog, popcorn & squash. Please pop £3 in a named envelope and give to class teacher. Tickets will be given closer to the event.



Friday 18th July– Sports day– Ice Cream for the children after the races.





Friday 18th July– Summer Fair More details to follow....





Tuesday-Year 2

Wednesday-Year 1 and Year 6

Thursday-Year 3

Monday – Year 5

Friday—Year 4 and EYFS

• Please remember PE kit MUST be worn to school on your child's PE day. PE kits should be brought in for all after school sports.



School information:

School starts at 8:30 and finishes at 15:00. Please ensure your child is dropped off in plenty of time for the start of the day and that you collect your child promptly at the end of the day of after their club.

<u>Attendance</u>

If your child is absent from school please ensure you contact the school office promptly in the morning you can leave a message on 01983 862444.

From August 2024, the fine for school absences across the country are £80 if paid within 21 days, or £160 if paid within 28 days. This rate is in line with inflation and is the first increase since 2012.

In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160.

Fines per parent will be capped to two fines within any three-year period. Once this limit has been reached, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

If you're prosecuted and attend court because your child hasn't been attending school, you could get a fine of up to $\pounds 2,500$.



Relish and School Meals:

Children will no longer be able to book their meals in the classroom, all meals including home packed lunch should be booked via Relish.

Healthy Snacks

A reminder that only healthy snacks should be brought in for breaktime, not crisps or chocolate. Thank you.

Meal price change

Relish have increased the cost of paid school meals from £2.80 to £2.95.



Thursday 1020-1115 (Home Ed)



Thursday 1120-1215 (Home Ed) Thursday 1645-1740 Saturday 1000-1055 saturday 1100-1155 (all ages welcome)



Tuesday 1700-1815

Sunday 1130-1245



Thursday 1345-1440



Monday 1230-1325 Thursday 1245-1340



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