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St Blasius Shanklin C of E Primary Academy

Enjoy and Achieve in life in all its fullness, following in the footsteps of Jesus

Wisdom ~ Endurance ~ Friendship

Newsletter 2

12th September 2025

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St Blasius Church of England Academy Shanklin

Dear St Blasius Families,

What an exciting start to the term we're experiencing! I'm delighted to share some wonderful updates happening across our school community.

Our Worship this week, children learned that God's dream is for us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him by sharing His love with others. To share an understanding that this is what we are made for; without God we are missing a foundational element of what it means to live life to the full. The Scripture Luke 14:25-33 was shared with the children to help support this

We've welcomed our new reception children who are now attending full-time, and it's been wonderful seeing them settle into school life. To our new families joining us - a warm welcome to St Blasius Academy! Our Year 3 children have begun their swimming sessions, which are always an important part of their physical education journey. Meanwhile, our Year 6 children have been proactively working on improving our playground zones, demonstrating fantastic leadership and problem-solving skills.

We welcomed our Year 6 parents in to have lunch with their children today; it was lovely to hear our hall brimming with chatter! We will be extending these to other year groups in the coming weeks. It's a wonderful opportunity for us to connect and share experiences. Please look at the important dates to know when it is child's classes turn.

We were recently honoured to host a Shanklin Town Councillor who visited our Years 5 and 6 children to discuss an exciting community art project - so do watch this space for more details about this collaborative initiative!

A gentle reminder to all families: please ensure children bring a coat as we move into the autumn season. Lastly, a quick note about role application forms - these need to be submitted by the 19th, so please ensure you complete these promptly and we look forward to hearing our pupil voice – a strong part of our ethos at St Blasius.

The big question last week was:

What is your big dream?

I would like to ride a horse. Minnie, EYFS.

To be a soldier for the King. Charlie, Year 1

To be a bus driver because I love buses. Caspian, Year 2

To be the best goalkeeper in the World. Finn, Year 3.

My dream is to be a teacher. Summer, Year 4.

To be a vet and help animals. Lacey, Year 5.

To be an Olympic runner. Millie, Year 6

The big question this week is:

Can something sad ever lead to something good?

Warmest regards

Jemma Powell Assistant Principal

Important Dates

Monday 15th September– Year 1-Year 6 Parent info sessions

Tuesday 16th September- Year 3 Swimming lessons

Tuesday 16th September– EYFS Parent info sessions

Tuesday 23rd September- Year 3 Swimming lessons

Wednesday 24th September– School Nurse visit to St Blasius

Friday 26th September– School photographs

Tuesday 30th September- Year 3 Swimming lessons

Friday 3rd October - Grandparents day

Tuesday 7th October– Year 3 Swimming lessons

Tuesday 14th October– Year 3 Swimming lessons

Thursday 16th October– Harvest Festival

Friday 17th October - Last day of term

Class Attendance

Congratulations to <u>Year R</u> for having the highest class attendance this week.

Year R = 99.26%

Year 2 = 96.79%

Year 5 = 95.38%

Year 1 = 95%

Year 4 = 94.57%

Year 3 = 92.59%

Year 6 = 91.67%

Our Amazing Year 5













We started our year reading Barnabus by the Fan Brothers. The children then designed their own 'failed' pets and drew pictures of Banabus and Stick 1. We then developed our ideas further and turned them into clay sculptures.

Tag Rugby

The children commenced their first lesson on Tag Rugby and were fantastic at drawing on their prior learning and ready to build upon this further. They worked in pairs and teams of four and six, practising passing the ball, communicating within their group and reminding themselves of the basic rules of the game.



Collaboration with Shanklin Town Council

Finally, we have been asked to work in collaboration with Year 6 to produce a piece of Art for the board in Station Avenue. This is an exciting opportunity for us as our work will be able to be seen for many years. Two members of the council came to talk to us about this and one was even an ex-pupil!



St Blasius Stars of the week



Rowan Yr 1



Angelica Yr 2



Brook Yr 3



Arthur Yr 5



Hunter Yr 4



Rosie Yr 6

House points

Yellow House-1312

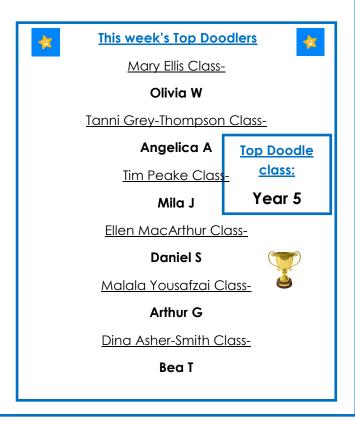
Green House-1239

Blue House-1181

Red House-1117

Well done Yellow House







Parent lunches

Parent lunches are returning, as welcome you in with your children's lunch, It will start with Year group 6 and following year group dates are below:

YEAR 5- Friday 19th September

YEAR 4- Friday 26th September

YEAR 3—Friday 3rd October

YEAR 2—Friday 10th October

YEAR 1—Friday 17th October

YEAR R- Friday 7th November



We would love to welcome our wonderful Grandparents to school for Grandparents Day which we will be celebrating at St Blasius on Friday 3rd October between 13:00-14:00.

If you would like to join us please add this on the Arbor app so we have numbers of how many are visiting us at St Blasius.



PARI	KING PERMIT
DESIGNATED CAR PARK	Orchardleigh Rd Car Park
SCHOOL	ST BLASIUS ACADEMY
VALID TIMES a.m.	Valid between 0815 and 0845
VALID TIMES p.m.	Valid between 1445 and 1515
VALID DURING TERMTIMES ONLY AND UNTIL END OF JULY	2026

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Isle of Wight Council School Park & Stride Parking Permit

- This permit must be displayed on the front nearside windscreen
- The permit is only valid for the car park designated above, and for the times stated
- It is not valid during school holidays
- Having a permit does not guarantee a parking space
- Please do not park in the coach park
- Should you wish to continue parking in the space, please purchase an appropriate ticket
- Failure to park correctly or abide by the parking regulations set out could result in a penalty charge being issued

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The Isle of Wight Council is helping schools to promote walking to school by providing free parking, at designated times and places, through this Park & Stride scheme. Parents of younger children are encouraged to walk to school with their child. Parents of older children may encourage their child to walk independently.

The scheme is administered by schools, with the agreement of the Parking Services section of the Isle of Wight Council. If there is any aspect of this scheme which you wish to discuss, please contact the school in the first instance, or the Council's Parking Operations Manager on 821000.



St Blasius after school clubs





Monday	KS1 Multiskills Run by Mr Poplett	
Tuesday	Year 5 and Year 6 Boys Football Run by Mr Poplett	
Tuesday	KS2 Girls Football Run by Mrs Cutler	
Wednesday	John Cattles Skateboarding club Run by John Cattle £4 per session FULL	
Wednesday	Year 3 and Year 4 Tag Rugby Run by Mr Poplett	
Wednesday	Choir Club Run by Mrs Potts	
Thursday	Year 5 and Year 6 Tag Rugby Run by Mr Linfield	
Thursday	KS1 Dance club Run by Mrs James £3 per session	
Friday	KS2 Dance club Run by Mrs James £3 per session	
Friday	Year 3 and Year 4 Football Club Run by Mr Poplett	



School Uniform



Reception class

- White polo shirts with academy logo (no ties)
- Trousers Black or dark grey
- Skirts/Pinafores Navy or dark grey
- Academy navy blue V neck sweatshirt/cardigan/Hoodie with logo
- Pale blue and white check dresses in summer
- Socks or tights should be grey, black or navy and shoes black and sensible.
- Shoes should be black no labelled trainers

KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

- White polo shirts with academy logo (no tie)
- Trousers Black or dark grey
- Skirts/Pinafores Navy or dark grey
- Academy navy V neck sweatshirt/cardigan/Hoodie with logo
- Pale blue and white check dresses in summer
- Socks or tights should be grey, black or navy and shoes black and sensible.
- Shoes will be black no labelled trainers

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)

- White shirt and academy tie
- Trousers Black or dark grey
- Skirts/Pinafores Navy or dark grey
- Academy navy V neck sweatshirt/cardigan/Hoodie with logo
- Pale blue and white check dresses in summer
- Socks or tights should be grey, black or navy and shoes black and sensible.
- Shoes will be black no labelled trainers

P.E kit – all years

- Black or navy shorts
- Academy blue t-shirt
- Plimsolls/Trainers
- In the event of cold weather a tracksuit may be worn over the P.E kit. Pupils can wear their Hoodies for PE.

Our uniform supplier is Kids & Co, Ryde.





Isle of Wight Secondary Colleges and 6th Form 2025-26 Open Day/Evening dates (as at 20 July 2025)

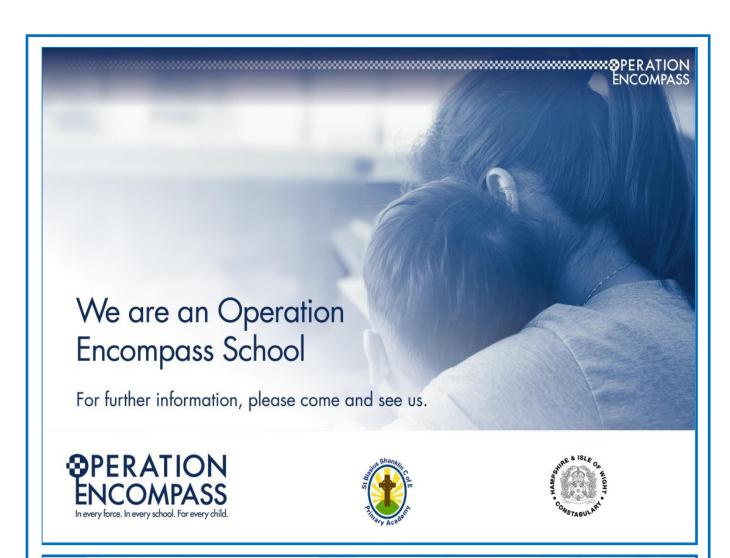
School/College Carisbrooke College 29 September 2025 Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm 18 September 2025 Year 6 open evening: 5.30-7.30pm 06 November 2025 6th Form open evening: 5.30-7.30pm Open Month 3 November 2025 – 8 December 2025 – 6th Form Open Month Island Free School 11 October 2025 Y6 open day: 09.30-1pm Headmaster's Talks at 10am, 11am and 12noon Medina College 23 September 2025 Year 6 open evening: 5-8pm 8 October 2025 Y6 Open Evening Ryde Academy 19 November 2025 6th Form Open Evening 4 October 2025 Y6 and 6th Form Open Morning: 10-12.30pm Ryde School 7 February 2026 2 October 2025 Y6 Open Evening: 5-8pm The Bay CE School 13 November 2025 VI Form open evening: 5-8pm The Island VI Form The Isle of Wight College 23 September 2025 4.30-6.30pm Open Evening 10-2pm Open Day 15 November 2025 10-2pm Open Day 10 January 2026 Open Day 7 March 2026 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 The Priory School of our Lady Walsingham n/a

Please note St George's School is not offering open days.
 Places are allocated via the SEND department.









Operation Encompass is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and all police forces.

PERATION

Children who live in homes where there is domestic abuse, or who experience domestic abuse in their own teenage relationships, can be negatively impacted by this experience.

We have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained about Operation Encompass procedures. This allows us to use the information that has been confidentially shared with us by the police, to understand how a child may be impacted by domestic abuse and to then offer support to the child/ren in our care.

This information means that we can understand a child's behaviour and support that child in whatever way they may need or want.

Children who experience domestic abuse are recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right¹.

Operation Encompass means that our school will be told, prior to the start of the next school day, when police have attended an incident of domestic abuse where there is a child or young person who attends our school who is related to any of those involved in the incident.

We are keen to offer the very best support possible to all our pupils and we believe that being part of Operation Encompass helps us to do this.

¹ Domestic Abuse Act 2021

PE days

Monday - Year 1

Tuesday- Year 5 and Year 3

Wednesday- Year 4

Thursday- Year 2

Friday—Year 6 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.

Our school nurse will be visiting St Blasius and will be holding parent sessions within school to provide targeted support and advice, you can access support regarding some of the following areas:



- Constipation/toileting
- Day and night time wetting
- Hearing and vision concerns
- Dietary advice
- Development/puberty advice
- Personal hygiene
- **Emotional** wellbeing

Next session is Wednesday 24th September









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.

Attendance

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.

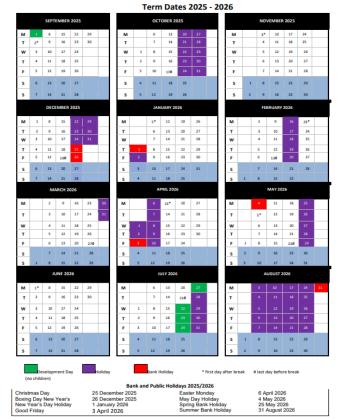
In the case of repeated fines, if a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160.

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 £2,500.

Follow MHST on Facebook for upcoming workshops and support

Next Years Term Dates 2025-2026



New Autumn Menu September 2025





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 to £3.10.

MUSIC OR KIDS

Help Your Child With:

Confidence

Concentration

Self Discipline

Better School Grades

AND FUN

Want to play the Trumpet or learn the Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Clarinet, Flute?

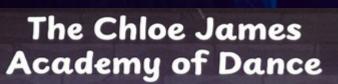
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- Sundays 9:30am 11am at Nine Acres Primary School
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IDTA exams

Saturdays from 11 am First lesson free

Held at Bembridge CE Primary School, Walls Road, Bembridge, PO35 5RH.



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Vectis Rugbu Club Sunday 14th September Training 2pm Red Roses kick off: 4pm WE'RE INVITING ALL OUR GIRLS' RUGBY

ATTERNOON OF FUN, GAMES, AND RUGBY SKILLS

ENJOY A TRAINING SESSION FOLLOWED BY WATCHING THE RED ROSES WORLD CUP MATCH. NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED - JUST SPORTS KIT, A SMILE, AND A CAN-DO ATTITUDE! LET'S SHOW THEM HOW GREAT OUR RUGBY FAMILY 15

MONDAY 4.15- 5.15







NEW BUILDERS WELCOME

£5 PER SESSION

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YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

Monday 29 September 2025 5.00 - 8.00 pm

Please join us for

- a short presentation, repeated at 5.15,
 6.00 and 6.45 pm
- tours of the school
- opportunities to meet staff (including SEND) and current students
- Subject demonstrations

Please visit our website for more details: www.carisbrooke.jow.sch.uk



Tuesday 23 September 2025 5.00 - 8.00 pm

www.medina.iow.sch.uk