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Newsletter 36

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St Blasius Church of England Academy Shanklin

Dear St Blasius families

What an incredible week of adventures and achievements we've had at St Blasius! I'm absolutely delighted to share some wonderful moments that showcase the fantastic opportunities our children have been embracing.

Our worship this week, looked to Peter and Paul, who both have unique roles to play in the mission of the Church. Peter is the rock on which Jesus would build the Church, and Paul leads Jesus' missionary work through his letters and teaching. Both are heroic followers of Jesus who we can be inspired by. We also had a big game of rock, paper, scissors!! The competition was fierce. The Scripture Matthew 16:13-19 was shared with the children to help support this.

Our Year 4 children have just returned from their very first residential experience at PGL Little Canada, and what a milestone this has been! Watching them preparing with a mixture of excitement and nervous energy, then seeing all of their fabulous photos with beaming smiles has been truly heartwarming. These residential experiences are so valuable for building independence, confidence, and lasting friendships. The children have shown remarkable courage stepping outside their comfort zones, and I couldn't be prouder of how they've embraced every challenge and activity.

We've also welcomed back our Year 6 travellers, who I'm sure have returned with their own collection of memories and experiences to share with their classmates. There's something special about seeing our older children return from their adventures, bringing with them that sense of accomplishment and growth. Meanwhile, our Year 5 children have been making waves at Seaview Yacht Club with their first sailing experience! What an exciting opportunity to try something completely new. I love seeing our children discover new passions and skills, and sailing certainly offers them the chance to develop teamwork, problem-solving, and resilience in such a unique environment.

The PEACH games with Mrs Bushell and Mr Poplett have been another highlight, bringing out the competitive spirit and sportsmanship in our children. These events are wonderful for building house pride and encouraging healthy competition.

Finally, I must commend everyone for how brilliantly we've all coped with the recent hot weather. Children, staff, and families have all worked together to ensure everyone stays safe, hydrated, and comfortable during these warmer days.

The big question last week was:

If you could ask God one question, what would it be?

How are you alive when we cannot see you? **Rowan, EYFS**

Why is space so big? **Max G, Year 1**

Are you real? **Harry, Year 2**

How does it feel to have made everything? **Mila, Year 3**

Will Jesus come back to Earth? **Reggie, Year 4**

Will you ever come back to Earth? **Jed, Year 5**

Why is world hunger a thing? **Oscar, Year 6**

The big question this week is:

If you woke up with a superpower tomorrow, what would it be and how would you use it?

Kind regards

Jemma Powell Assistant Principal

Important dates:

Tuesday 8th July

- IOW School Transition date

Wednesday 9th

July– Year 5 Sailing Trip

Thursday 10th

July– DCAT Enriched

Friday 18th July-

Sports Day

Friday 18th July–

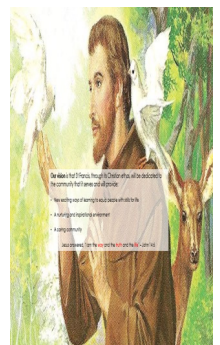
Summer Fair

Thursday 24th

July-

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Our School Vision



EYFS Blog

What an exciting and eventful week we've had in EYFS!

On Friday, we had a swashbuckling end to our learning journey on *"A New Home for a Pirate"*. The children had a fantastic time dressing up as pirates – our classroom was filled with eye patches, hats, and lots of "Ahoy, matey!" It was a wonderful way to celebrate all the brilliant learning we've done around this story. In the afternoon, we continued the fun by learning all about the Island Games. The children explored different sports and activities from the islands – a great way to combine movement, culture, and curiosity!



Then on Monday, we arrived at school to quite a surprise – the classroom was covered in rubbish! This dramatic start launched us into our new learning journey, *"Somebody Swallowed Stanley"*. The children were immediately intrigued and keen to investigate. Throughout the week, we've been exploring how to care for our environment and the many different uses of plastic. The children showed such compassion and enthusiasm for making a difference – future eco-warriors in the making!

On Wednesday, we were thrilled to welcome the new starters from Furzehill once again. The children loved having them join us for play and learning. It's such a joy to see our EYFS children showing kindness, patience, and leadership as they help the new starters prepare for their own exciting journey into school life.

Looking ahead to next week, we are full of excitement as we prepare for our transition day into Year 1! It's a big step, and we know our children will approach it with the same curiosity, confidence, and joy they've shown all year.



St Blasius Stars of the Week



Summer Yr 3



Arlo L Yr R



Esme Yr 2



Max B Yr 1



Amber Yr 5



Jasmine Yr 6



House points

Red House— 1609

Green House—1423

Blue House— 929

Yellow House—919

Well done Red House



Class Attendance

Congratulations to **Year 2** for having the highest class attendance this week.

Year 2 = 98.93%

Year 3 = 97.78%

Year 4 = 95.71%

Year 6 = 95.38%

Year 5 = 95.6%

Year 1 = 94%

Year R = 90%





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	
Thursday	KS2 Athletics Run by Mr Poplett	
Thursday	EYFS + KS1 Dance club Run by Mrs James £3 per session	
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 who will be attending on Tuesday 22nd July:

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

Thursday 10th July at 13:30 the Mental Health Support Team are here to see EYFS and parents. This is great opportunity to share some ideas how to support your child from EYFS to Year 1, with practical tips and advice.



If your child is in EYFS, please sign up: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TQ88DXB>

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Isle of Wight SENDIASS Drop in Sessions

- Free impartial and confidential advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Peer support, talking to others who may be experiencing a similar journey
- Free beverages and biscuits

10 JUNE

12:30 - 14:30
Newport Family Centre
PO30 2AX

16:00 - 18:00
Cowes Family Centre
PO31 7ET

25 JUNE

09:30 - 11:30
Ryde Family Centre
PO33 2JF

12:30 - 14:30
East Cowes Family Centre
PO32 6PA

17 JULY

12:30 - 14:30
Newport Family Centre
PO30 2AX

16:00 - 18:00
West Wight Family Centre
PO40 9XH

26 AUG

09:30 - 11:30
Sandown Family Centre
PO36 9EQ

11:30 - 14:30
Ventnor Family Centre
PO38 1EX

No booking
required

Any questions email:
info@iowsendiass.org.uk

A huge thank you to Barnardo's Family Hubs for the use of their family centres for our in-person sessions across the island.



As the weather is warming up please can you ensure your child has sun cream applied before school and they bring a water bottle and hat to school every day. Thank you



Join the PTA!



PTA NEWS

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Wednesday 9th July–

Reception, Years 1 , 2 - the disco will start straight after school (children can bring in their party clothes to change into before partying!) and will need to be collected at 4.15 from the hall entrance by the car park (by Furze Hill Nursery).

Year 3/ Year 4/ Year 5/ Year 6. - The disco will start at 4.30 and children need to enter using the steps at the main office to be signed in. Children will need to be collected at 5.45 from the hall entrance by the car park (by Furze Hill Nursery).

Money in by Tuesday 8th July.



Friday 18th July– Sports day



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



If you would like to
join or support the
PTA please contact
the office.

Join the PTA!



Ice Pop Friday!

We will be selling ice pops every Friday after school.

Donations of Ice Pops will be gratefully received.



PE days

Monday – Year 5

Tuesday– Year 2

Wednesday– Year 1 and Year 6

Thursday– Year 3

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.**

This week's Top Doodlers

Beatrix Potter class -

Alfie T

Mary Ellis class -

Caspian B

Tanni Grey-Thompson class -

Esme S

Tim Peake class

Daniel S

Ellen MacArthur class -

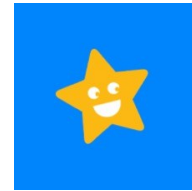
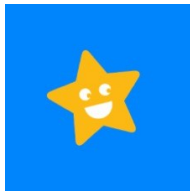
Harley-James L

Malala Yousafzai class -

Bea T

Dina Asher-Smith class -

Dylan-James H



Top Doodle class

Dina Asher-Smith



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.

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Development Day Holiday Bank Holiday * first day after break # last day before break

Bank and Public Holidays 2024/2025

Christmas Day 25 December 2024
Boxing Day New Year's Day 26 December 2024
New Year's Day Holiday 1 January 2025
Good Friday 18 April 2025
Easter Monday 25 May 2025
May Day Holiday 5 May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday 26 May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday 25 August 2025

Next Years Term Dates 2025-2026

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New Spring/Summer Menu



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Choose from...	Cheese & Tomato Pizza to go with Baked Beans, New Potatoes	Beef Bolognese to go with Homemade Garlic Bread, Mixed Pasta	Sausage to go with Mixed Veg, Mashed Potato, Gravy	Mango Chicken Curry to go with Herby Rice, Garlic & Coriander Naan Bread	Fish Fingers to go with Baked Beans, Chips, Peas
Main					
Vegetarian	Cheese & Tomato Pizza to go with Baked Beans, New Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese to go with Homemade Garlic Bread, Sweetcorn	Quorn Sausages to go with Mixed Veg, Mashed Potato, Gravy	Vegetable, Pea & Potato Curry to go with Garlic & Coriander Naan Bread, Herby Rice	Quorn Hotdog to go with Chips, Peas
Combo	Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Cheese & Beans, No Topping	Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Cheese & Beans, No Topping	Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Cheese & Beans, No Topping	Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Cheese & Beans, No Topping	Jacket Potato with choice of fillings Baked Beans, Grated Cheese, Cheese & Beans, No Topping
2 ...and to finish!	Pasta with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce, Grated Cheese, No Topping	Wrap to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Tuna Mayo, Ham, Grated Cheese	Pasta to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce, Grated Cheese	Wrap to go with Side Salad with choice of fillings Grated Cheese, Tuna Mayo, Ham	Pasta with choice of fillings Homemade Tomato & Basil Sauce, Grated Cheese, No Topping
	Blueberry Muffins	Raspberry Sponge	Apricot & Orange Cookie	Fruit Meringues	Chocolate Ice Cream
	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Jelly	Fresh Fruit Pot, Yoghurt, Cheese and Biscuits, Jelly

Please speak to a member of the Catering Team or view relishschoolfood.co.uk for Allergen Information

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.



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FAMILY FUN

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Free family carnival activities

TIME

11am - 2:30pm, just turn up

PLACE

Simeon Recreational Ground
Choice to join the parade at 3pm

ACTIVITIES

Face Painting
Circus Skills
Craft Activities
Play Area
Dressing Up
Games
Samba drumming workshop

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Saturday 19 July

3.30 – 5.30pm

At Shanklin United Reformed Church,
(on the corner of Landguard Road and Shanklin High Street)

Free fun for all the family

- Loads of Craft
- Action songs
- Games
- Bible story
- Yummy tea



All Free

No need to book, just turn up. Come as a family; Grandparents, Aunt and Uncles all welcome too – any combination is fine! Enjoy it together.

For more information email janetharley62@gmail.com or phone Janet on 862485

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