Lunsford Primary School



Who's Who?



* Headteacher – Mr G Anscombe
* Deputy Headteacher – Mrs E Lomax (Tues – Fri)
* Zebra Class Teachers – Mrs Walker (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs mornings and Mrs Lomax (Thurs afternoons and Fri)
* Zebra Class Teaching Assistants – Mrs James (Mon – Fri) and Mrs Anderson (Mon & Tues am) Mrs Olsen (Wed, Thurs)
* SENCO – Mrs S Beckett (Tues, Wed, Thurs)
* FLO – Mrs A Taylor (Wed – Fri)
* Office Manager – Mrs K Mead

OUR VALUES

Kindness Respect Positivity Perseverance
Responsibility Hard work

We are **KIND**
We are **RESPECTFUL**
We are **POSITIVE**
We **PERSEVERE**
We are **RESPONSIBLE**
We are **HARD WORKING**

Our School Rules



- Be **SAFE**
- Be **READY**
- Be **RESPECTFUL**

SCHOOL RULES – SAFE, READY, RESPECTFUL

There are just 3 simple, clear and coherent behaviour expectations.

This makes it easy for adults and children to recognise good behaviours and expectations.

They are easy to follow and easy to remember, enabling all children and all adults to embrace them.

BE SAFE

We are **SAFE** when:

* we move around school in a safe manner;
* we follow instructions to keep ourselves safe e.g. on school trips;
* we use equipment safely;
* we stay safe online;
* we cross roads safely;
* we keep our hands and feet to ourselves.

BE READY

We are **READY** to learn when:

* we arrive at school on time;
* we have our equipment ready;
* we show that we are listening,
* we are ready to start lessons;
* ready to listen and follow instructions.

BE RESPECTFUL

We are **RESPECTFUL** when:

* we listen when others speak;
* we respect the property of our friends and the school;
* we show manners;
* we consider others' feelings;
* we focus our attention;
* we show effort.

Attendance

If a child misses	that equals...	which is...	and over 13 years of school that's...
1 day per fortnight (90% attendance)	19 days per year	≈ 4 weeks per year	Nearly 1½ years
1 day per week (80% attendance)	38 days per year	≈ 8 weeks per year	Over 2½ years
2 days per week (60% attendance)	76 days per year	≈ 16 weeks per year	Over 5 years

Lunsford Primary monitors the attendance of every child in the school. We work with and support those children and their families who are not attending school without sufficient reason. Our attendance target for this academic year is 96.5% attendance.

To put this in perspective 95% sounds good, but means that your child misses:

* one half day each fortnight
* two weeks every school year
* over three-quarters of a school year in a school career

Attendance

* A key factor in a child's success at school is regular and punctual attendance.
* We will reward good attendance
* We will be robust in chasing up poor attendance and children who are persistently late
* Term-time holidays will not be authorised unless there

are exceptional circumstances

ATTENDANCE matters

Uniform



* The expectation is that all children will wear the correct school uniform. This includes smart, black shoes.
* No such thing as inappropriate weather – only inappropriate clothing!
* Sweatshirt, Polo Shirt, Black/grey trousers/skirt, summer dresses – red and white
* PE Kit to be worn on PE days
* Labelled please
* Order from Brigade online.
* We want to foster and develop a real pride in our school from the very beginning

Year 6 Expectations

* We have high expectations for work and behaviour in preparation for secondary school.

Eg. Presentation of work

Positive attitude to learning

Concentration / being ready to learn each lesson

Working to full potential

Taking responsibility – for themselves, their learning, their belongings

* Throughout the year, children will have the opportunity to take on extra responsibilities around the school so they are expected to set a good example to others.

Autumn Term Topics

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Science: Animals including humans (the circulatory and digestive system) and Electricity

Computing: Systems & networks and Creating Media – 3D modelling

History: The Industrial Revolution

Geography: North America

Art: Drawing (Expressing ideas)

D&T: Digital World: Navigating the World

French: The Weather

PE: Tag Rugby

Spring Term Topics

Spring Term

Science: Evolution & Inheritance and Light

Computing: Creating Media – web page creation & Spreadsheets

History: The Impact of WW2 on Britain

Geography: The Amazon Rainforest

D&T: Cooking and Nutrition (Come Dine with Me) and Textiles - bags

French: Clothes

PE: PASS, Orienteering, netball

Summer Term Topics

Summer Term

Science: All living things and their habitats and Looking after our environment

Computing: Variables and Sensing

History: Our Local History

Geography: My Place : The Isle of Wight

Art: craft and design – photo opportunity; sculpture and 3D – making memories

French: The Weekend

PE: Swimming

Things to Look Forward to in Y6…

* Bikeability (October 2026)
* Magistrates visit (October 2026)
* Swimming lessons (after Easter 2027)
* Year 6 production (June / July 2027)
* Isle of Wight residential trip (July 2027)
* Leavers' Assembly (July 2027)

Traditionally a group of Y6 parents organise an end of year party / prom for the class and also organise leavers' jumpers and / or yearbooks. Please speak to Mrs Lomax if you would like to lead / help with this ☺

Spellings and Times Tables

* Children in Year 6 are expected to have instant recall of all times table and division facts up to 12 x 12 and be able to apply this to solve other problems and areas of mathematics.
* All children should continue to use TT Rock Stars regularly to practise and improve their speed of recall.
* We complete an arithmetic test weekly and children are encouraged to improve their own score.
* Spellings patterns will be taught using Spelling Shed which the children have a log in to access at home. On a Wednesday, children will complete a 'Hive' in class, which is an online test focusing on that week's spellings.

Reading

* Regular reading is so important and has a real impact on children's progress and work. It is very evident in children's work who is a regular reader and who is not!
* Reading to your child is really valuable for all children, even Year 6!
* A minimum of 10-15 minutes daily reading is expected. In Year 6 we would like children to read to an adult at least once a week and discuss the book they are reading – what will happen next, are there any words they are unsure of.
* Reading record books should be completed when children read to themselves or an adult. Children need to write a comment about the book if they are completing the reading record themselves.
* We will be continuing to take part in Buster Book Club so please ensure that bookmarks and reading records are signed on Wednesday evenings ready for the data to be collected on Thursdays.

Homework

Good homework habits are very important in Year 6 as we prepare for secondary school.

This term, homework will be given out on a Wednesday to be returned to school the following Tuesday.

- Reading comprehension
- Arithmetic

All homework is gone through with the children in class before it is sent home. If your child has any difficulties with homework, please encourage them to speak to Mrs Walker or Mrs Lomax before it is due in.

Homework

* Children should work in a quiet area to complete their homework.
* All children have a homework book which will come home each week to complete homework in.
* Expectations for homework will increase as the year goes on in preparation for SATs and for secondary school.

PE

* Chris Dickinson – PE teacher.
* **Monday – PE lesson with Mr Dickinson**
* **Tuesday – PE lesson with Mrs Walker**
* **Outdoor Games** Trainers (which might get muddy), PE t-shirt, shorts, jumper, jogging trousers, sun hat for summer.
* **Indoor PE** House t-shirt, shorts, trainers.
* Forest Schools will take place approximately twice a term.
* Long hair should be tied up. Earrings and watches must not be worn.
* After Easter we will have weekly swimming sessions at Larkfield Leisure Centre but a letter will come out with more information nearer the time.

Assessment

* Ongoing assessments during the year for reading, writing and maths – formative assessments and summative assessments.
* We assess termly and also conduct Pupil Progress Meetings three times a year to ensure your child is on track to meet their targets.
* KS2 SATs – May 2027
* There will be more information about SATs after Christmas.
* If you have any concerns about your child and their progress, please make an appointment to see Mrs Walker and Mrs Lomax.

Secondary Transfer

* Application for secondary transfer is open

Choose 4 school preferences on your secondary school application. We would advise naming at least 2 local schools.

* Kent Test – Thursday 10th September 2026
* Kent Test assessment decision sent to parents – Thursday 15th October 2026
* National closing date for secondary applications – Monday 2nd November 2026
* National offer day – Monday 1st March 2027
* For advice call 03000 41 21 21 or email kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk or talk to Mrs Lomax or Mr Anscombe.

Online Safety

* Many Lunsford children regularly use the internet and social media and we have a duty to help them keep safe online.
* We know it is hard to keep up with the apps and websites available to young people, but understanding the risks and implementing preventive measures can go a long way in protecting your child.
* Users should be thirteen to use Whatsapp, Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook, Skype and TikTok.
* Although there is no age restriction for watching YouTube videos, users need to be thirteen to have their own YouTube account enabling them to subscribe to channels, like videos, post comments and add videos.

Online Safety

* If your child does access the internet or social media, we strongly recommend that no children are allowed unsupervised access to mobile phones, tablets, game consoles or any internet enabled devices eg. In their bedrooms and we also recommend that children are not allowed access to devices overnight.
* If your child does use social media or online gaming platforms, please help them to check their privacy settings, disable any chat settings and ensure they know how to block and report.
* Please can we ask for your support in reinforcing the online safety message at home by talking to your children, encouraging them to speak to an adult if they have any worries or concerns, checking your child's phone / devices regularly and not allowing them access to them overnight.

Online Safety

* More information for parents can be found at the following websites.
  Keep Children Safe Online: Information, advice, support - Internet Matters
  Main library articles | Parent Zone | At the heart of digital family life

* Please let us know if there any issues regarding the online behaviour of Lunsford children at any time. We will always follow this up within school in line with our child protection, behaviour and acceptable use policies.

Please see Mrs Lomax if you have any other queries about online safety.

Mobile Phones

* Pupils are discouraged from bringing mobile phones to school unless an absolute necessity.
* If pupils in Y5 or Y6 need to bring a phone into school, a consent form must be signed by parents.
* Phones must be switched off once pupils arrive on the school site and must not be turned back on until they leave the school grounds .
* If parents need to contact pupils, this should be done following the usual school procedure by phoning or emailing the school office.
* Mobile phones should be given to the class TA first thing and these are then put in a named bag and kept in a safe place.

Mobile Phones

* If a pupil is found to have their mobile phone in their bag, the phone will be taken from the pupil, handed to a senior member of staff and kept in the school office. Parents will be contacted to collect the phone.
* If a pupil is found to be taking photographs or video footage of either other pupils or teachers, this will be regarded as a serious offence and disciplinary action will be taken according to the School's Behaviour Policy.
* The school bears no responsibility for the loss or damage to a mobile phone.
* Should children not follow the Lunsford Primary School Mobile Phone Policy or Lunsford Primary School Acceptable Use Policy, the school reserves the right to withdraw this privilege and they will no longer be able to bring their phone into school.
* The mobile phone consent form is available via the office.

Getting in Contact

At Lunsford, we have an open door policy. We want to work in partnership with parents and carers and strive to achieve the best for all children.

We ask that if you have any worries or questions regarding your child or a problem related to school, please do not hesitate to contact us so we can understand your concerns and help to solve any issues . If we do not know there is a problem, it is very difficult for us to help you or your child.

If you feel that an issue has not been dealt with appropriately, please speak to Mr Anscombe or Mrs Lomax, or we will happily provide you with a copy of the formal complaints procedures.

Getting in Contact

If you would like to speak to a member of staff…

* The school office will forward on any emails and pass on any telephone messages.
* Mrs Walker and Mrs Lomax can be contacted via Class Dojo. We will try to reply as soon as possible (usually within 24 hours during working days) but urgent messages should be sent via the office as we will not necessarily be able to access Dojo whilst we are teaching!
* A member of the Senior Leadership Team will also be available on the playground every morning and afternoon.
* Our Family Liaison Officer (FLO) Amy Taylor can be contacted on 07552 045390.

Lunsford Residential Trip
Isle of Wight
5th July– 9th July 2027





Travelling with the Isle of Wight Experience who have 30 years experience arranging residential trips for primary schools

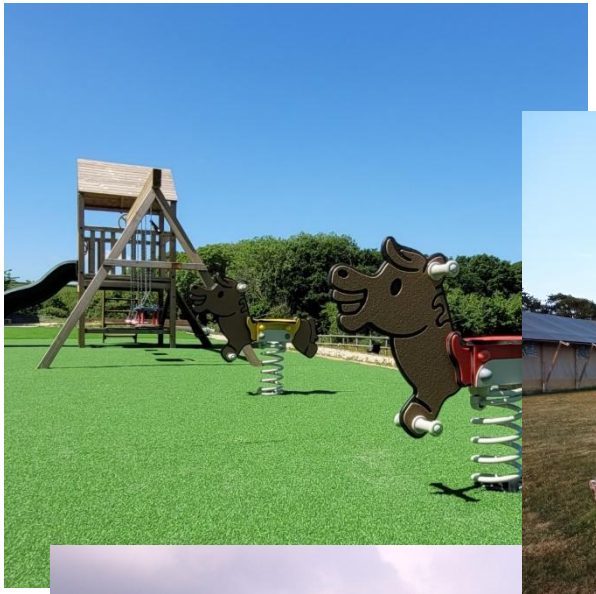
Lunsford have used IoW Experience for over 15 years

Coach transport, ferries, accommodation with full board, entrance to attractions and 24 hour support is all included.

Island Riding Centre, Newport

- Luxury safari tent / cabin accommodation
- En-suite rooms which children share with friends
- Ideal location to explore the IoW
- Site are well used to education groups
- We will be the only school staying there
- Range of food available – dietary needs will be catered for
- Staff rooms located near to the children.
- Ideal location to explore IoW
- Excellent facilities













Activities

Draft itinerary

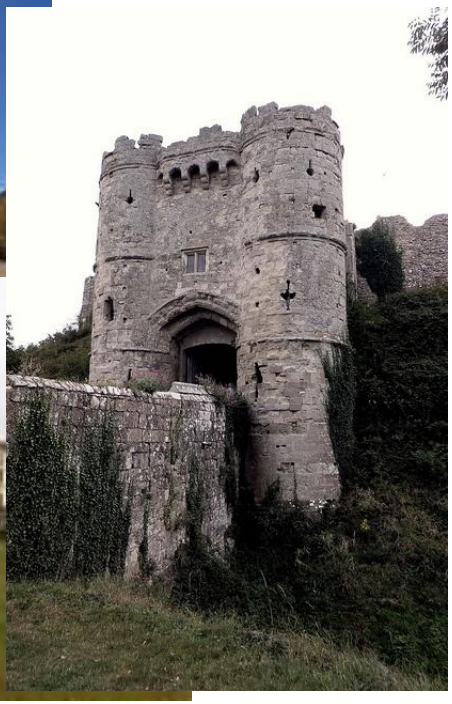
	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Leave school 8:00am approx Country park visit	Ferry to the Isle of Wight
Tuesday	Blackgang Chine	Blackgang Chine
Wednesday	Dinosaur Isle	Donkey Sanctuary
Thursday	Alum Bay inc. chairlift	Carisbrooke Castle
Friday	Osborne House	Ferry back to Portsmouth Arrive at school approx. 6pm

Activities





















Relevant Information

- Trip will link to Geography topic about the Isle of Wight
- No mobile phones / Smartwatches / electronic devices may be taken but Dojo will be updated regularly during the trip. An emergency number will be available
- High behaviour expectations as normal
- Range of medical needs / food allergies can be accommodated
- Cost per child £466 inc. VAT
- In the past fundraising by parents has reduced this cost significantly
- Deposit of £58.25 to be paid by Friday 11th September
- Please make an appointment to see Mr Anscombe regarding any concerns over the cost or payments.
- Any questions / concerns please speak to Mrs Lomax
- There will be another meeting with more information nearer the time.

Any Questions?

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