

## Allotment area update

The volunteers working on our allotment area have had very productive sessions and are close to getting it ready for use by the school, with the main structures in place (e.g. the bug hotel shown in the photo). Staff and pupils will be invited soon to meet the volunteers in the garden to be shown the main features. We are very grateful to everyone involved in this improvement to our school.



## New Learning Passport design winner

We are pleased to announce the winner of the Headteacher's half term holiday homework to design a front cover for our new learning passports from September.

This was by **Joseph Jacobs in 3S**—congratulations! A big thank you to all the other pupils who contributed such great designs—these will be loaded onto the school website to share.



## Year 6 Isle of Wight visit

86 Y6 pupils and 9 staff headed off to the Isle of Wight last week for a 5 day residential visit in order to explore the island, experience some independence and try new things. We visited numerous exciting locations which offered something for every pupil on the trip. They were:

- Osborne House (Queen Victoria's home)
- Shanklin Theatre workshop and performance
- Surfing in the sea
- Beach activities
- Boat trip to view the Needles
- Amazon world wildlife park
- Robin Hill country park
- Disco
- HMS Victory in Portsmouth (Nelson's flagship)



The days were long, with early starts and late finishes, but as a result we packed so much into the 5 days away. The children had to be very organised in their rooms by keeping everything in order for their daily inspection. Although many children missed home, the feedback from staff and pupils was about how rewarding the experience was for all involved. A huge thank you to the following groups:

- pupils for their enthusiasm and limitless energy
- parents for their financial support and help with packing
- 9 accompanying adults (including 2 Governors and a parent) who gave their time so freely no matter what the hour

The pupils and staff have been busy this week creating and rehearsing their Isle of Wight review assembly to perform to parents and the rest of the school tomorrow morning. Good luck! *Mr McTaggart*



## Other Key dates

**Fri 17th June** Y6 IOW assembly 9.15am

**Thu 23rd June** School Closed for Polling

**Thu 7th July** 5:30-7:30pm Display Evening for both schools

**Mon 11th July** Sports Day

**Fri 15th July** Summer Fete 3:30pm-5:30pm

**Fri 22nd July** End of Summer Term

**Thurs 1st Sept** Back to school!