Scoill yn Jubilee

'Respect, Kindness, Understanding, Honesty, Responsibility, Courage'



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Message from Mr Kelly

As we reach the end of my first full month at Jubilee, I want to begin by thanking the many parents I have already met at the gates, on the playgrounds, or who have taken the time to get in touch. Your welcome has been warm, your insights invaluable, and your honesty much appreciated. With two sites and multiple entrances across both buildings, I am quickly learning that it is not always easy to be as visible as I would like. That said, please rest assured that I am around the school regularly, and I will continue to make every effort to be available. If you spot me, please do come over to say hello — it is always a pleasure to put names to faces and hear directly from you.

September has been a month of listening, observing, and taking in the unique spirit of Scoill yn Jubilee. Already, I have been struck by the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our pupils, and the sense of community that binds the school together. Now, as we move into October, I hope you and your children will start to notice the impact of some exciting developments we are beginning to roll out. One exciting development I am delighted to share is our new project, The Adaptive Classroom. This will involve a major investment into a Year 5 classroom at the Junior site, including brand-new furniture, upgraded equipment, and a full training package for all staff. While the transformation will be most visible in that room, the benefits will be felt right across the school as we build on this model to enhance teaching and learning at Jubilee.

This is not just a Jubilee first - it is an Isle of Man first and nationally, a British Isle's first too. It has only been possible thanks to the leadership and drive of Mrs Hicks. Her vision, expertise and passion have been key in terms of driving this forward, and I want to place on record my gratitude and admiration for all that she has done to bring this ambitious project to life. You will find more detail about the Adaptive Classroom on the reverse of this newsletter, but I hope you share my excitement at what it represents: a statement of intent about the kind of school Jubilee wants to be - ambitious, innovative, and always striving to give our children the very best.

Finally, this newsletter is packed with dates and information about the busy term ahead, from parents' evenings to school trips and even our Christmas events. I hope these updates are helpful as you plan the weeks to come.

As I mentioned in last month's newsletter, you can expect a newsletter on the first Friday of each month, and we are continuing to upgrade our website and social media offer, which will be ready to go live in the coming weeks, so keep a look out for that.

I feel enormously proud to be leading this school, and excited about what lies ahead.

Isle of Man

Max Kelly, Headteacher

DON'T FORGET

Parents' Evenings

Parent's Evening is scheduled for Monday, 20th October (3.30pm - 5.30pm) and Tuesday, 21st October (3.30pm - 5.30pm). Bookings can be made via our online service on Arbor (https://login.arbor.sc). Please be reminded that bookings are on a first come-first served basis. If you have forgotten or lost your Arbor log-in details, please reach out to your school site office for help.

(Online booking opens on Friday next week!)

Residential Adventures Awaits!

Y5 are off to the Venture Centre (25th–27th March) – details already sent to parents. Year 6 can look forward to Culmington Manor, Shropshire (w/c 11th May 2026), with a letter coming next week. Two fantastic trips full of challenge, fun, and lifelong memories!



Our school uniform is simple and smart: navy sweatshirt or cardigan, red polo shirt, and navy trousers, skirt or pinafore. Footwear should be navy or black shoes – no trainers, sandals, crocs, or heels please. White or navy socks, or navy tights. In winter, knee-length boots may be worn to school, but children should change into shoes or pumps indoors to stay comfortable in class.

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Dates for Your Diary

08.10.25 Y2 Parents Invited in from 2pm (Musical Instrument Making) 10.10.25 Rec Parents Invited in from 2pm (Board Games Afternoon)

13.10.25 Y1 Visit to St Ninian's Church (PM) 13.10.25 RockKidz Visit to Juniors Site

(Details below)
14.10.25 Y5 Visit to Manx Museum

(5OB am / 5CP pm) 15.10.25 Y2 Walking Trip to Sea Terminal (PM)

16.10.25 RockKidz Visit to Infants Site
(Details below)

20.10.25 Parents Evening (1) (Details below)

21.10.25 Parents Evening (2) (Details below)

21.10.25 Y3 STARS Trip to St. Ninians Church24.10.25 Last day of the first half-term

03.11.25 First day of the second half-term 08.12.25 Y5/Y6 Christmas Performance 2.15pi

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(Infants Hall at 9.20am)
09.12.25 Y1/Y2 Christmas Performance 2.15pm

(Trinity Church)
10.12.25 Y3/Y4 Christmas Performance 2.15pm (Trinity Church)

This is not an exhaustive list! Expect further updates in due course!



Rock Kidz Are Coming

We are thrilled to announce that Rock Kidz will be visiting Jubilee this month! They will be at the Junior site on Monday 13th October and the Infant site on Thursday 16th October. The theme of the day is "Nobody Like Me" – a powerful and uplifting programme all about self-esteem and resilience, delivered through high-octane rock music. Rock Kidz are travelling over from the UK to work with us, and it's fantastic to welcome such high-quality external providers into our school. The children are in for an unforgettable experience!

School Clubs



Music Club Dood & Toot
will be on a
Monday after
school with
Mrs Nelson,
starting on
Mon 3rd
November for
pupils in Y4.

Y3 / Y4 Girls
Football Club
will be starting
on Wednesday
8th October,
running before
school from
8.15am for four
weeks with Mr
Bennett.





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Friday 3rd October 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are very excited to inform you that Scoill yn Jubilee is going to be the first school on the Isle of Man to take part in a pilot study to test the effectiveness of the Adaptive Classroom model.

The Adaptive Classroom model combines a Trauma-Informed approach to classroom design with Trauma Informed Restorative Practices training and implementation, the whole school community will benefit from the training. This scalable, research-informed pilot has been co-designed with teachers and students to create a more inclusive space for everyone. The Adaptive Classroom delivers "classrooms designed for difference, built for belonging." Through this pilot the team is aiming to show through the research we conduct, that by creating supported flexible spaces rooted in restorative and relational culture we can better meet the diverse needs of students.

Our two Year 5 classes are going to be part of the pilot study.

- Pilot group: 5OB will receive a classroom redesigned with trauma-informed furniture and features, this will take place during October half term. The children will use a workbook and participate in activities based on the six principles of Trauma-Informed Design.
- Control group: 5CP will use the same workbook and activities but without the physical classroom changes. This will allow researchers to isolate the impact of the physical environment on student outcomes.

As part of this exciting pilot, staff, students, parents and carers, across the school will be trained in restorative and relational practices. There will be a 1.5-hour Introduction to Restorative Practice delivered in January 2026.

We would like our wider community to be involved as much as possible and are currently seeking support with the two areas below:

- Printing 90 pupil workbooks to support the upcoming lessons, activities and evaluation.
- Adding plants to the 5OB classroom to create a more calming, and engaging space.

If you are able to contribute whether through a small financial donation, providing printing resources, or donating a plant we would be incredibly grateful, please speak to Mrs Hicks. Every little bit helps, and together we can make a meaningful difference for the children.

We will keep you informed of any further updates in regard to 50B's classroom.

Please feel free to get in touch with us if you'd like to help or have any questions. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and generosity.

You can follow the progress of the Adaptive Classroom on Linkedin @adaptiveclassroom