



A grammar school education for all in a truly comprehensive setting.

**Welcome to second Newsletter from the Island Community School Group.
Thank you for your continued support and interest in our vision.**

Forthcoming Events: we have arranged 3 public meetings and we would really appreciate your support at one of these.

Public Meeting Venues and Dates.

Tuesday 20th November 6.30pm - Newchurch Community Hall (Primary School)

Friday 23rd November 6.30pm - Shanklin C E Primary School

Saturday 24th November 10.30am - Ventnor Youth Club

Please continue helping us to spread the word and encourage parents to come along to one of our meetings and visit our website to find out more and register support. Your help in making the school a reality is appreciated.

You may have seen the various articles in the County Press over the last couple of weeks, we are pleased to have been able to announce three members of our group:

Steph Boyd – currently Assistant Head at Carisbrooke College

David Stradling – former head of Solent Middle School (Ofsted Outstanding)

Nigel Malkin – currently Head of Year at Ryde Academy

Steph, David and Nigel bring a huge amount of teaching and learning experience to the group and are working hard with other teaching professionals, business people and parents of local students on putting together our bid for submission to the Department for Education. They are being supported by the New Schools Network advisors and regularly travelling to the mainland to receive intensive training and support from the advisors.

We are now only a month away from submitting our first full draft of our proposal for inspection. We then have another couple of weeks in which to make any adjustments and add the fine detail.

Underpinning all this is your support as parents, without your support we will be unable to show the Department for Education that the **parents and young people of the Isle of Wight deserve and need an alternative to the current secondary school provision.** Please continue to spread the word and get other parents to come along to our meetings and show their interest by completing the short support questionnaire on our website.

We look forward to meeting you soon!