



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

**Welcome to third Newsletter from the Island Community School Group.**

**News:** We have had a fantastic response from families across the Island, we now have over 500 children whose families have expressed an interest in enrolling them in the school, your support in continuing to spread the word is invaluable – please keep it going!

Island Free School banners have been put up in Newport and in Lake and our leaflet hand out at Morison's in Lake went really well, generating a great response.

Steph Boyd had an interview with Isle of Wight radio aired on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – you can find a link to the interview here - [Radio Interview](#).

Nigel Malkin and Steph also attended coffee mornings organised by parents in the Newchurch and Ventnor areas and had a really positive response, we hope to be able to organise other events like this where we can meet parents and talk about our plans.

Our full bid to the Department for Education is coming together and we are encouraged by the feedback we have received so far from the New Schools Network. Work on this is continuing as the deadline draws nearer.

We will be continuing to meet parents and students and to spread the word; we must show that parents on the Island want an alternative secondary provision from that currently available. Your help in publicising the public meetings is really important please help us to continue to encourage parents to come along to our meetings dates and venues below:

**Public Meeting Venues and Dates.**

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 6.30pm - Newchurch Community Hall (Primary School)

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 6.30pm - Shanklin C E Primary School

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am - Ventnor Youth Club

**Your help in making the school a reality is appreciated. Thank you for your continued support and interest in our vision.**

**We look forward to meeting you soon!**

Island Free School