

Send Church of England Primary School

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM PART 1

OUR VALUE THIS TERM IS: THANKFULNESS

DATE: 11TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Dear Families,

What a fantastic first full week back at school! We were officially joined by all of our new Reception (YR) and Nursery children this week. I have been so impressed with how well they have settled in and a huge and warm welcome to you all!

Our history projects are already well underway across the school. Year 6 was the first of our KS2 classes to experience being 'evacuated' as part of their WWII learning topic. We are so proud of how well they embraced the day and represented our school.

We are also gearing up for our 10th Anniversary Big Birthday Party and Fair next weekend, including launching an exciting competition for children in Yrs 1-6 to imagine what school in the future will be like. There will be lots happening so please come along, bring your family, and join us in the celebrations.

Finally, as mentioned inside, we are taking part in Surrey's PINS project to further strengthen our inclusive practice. Parent carer voices are at the very heart of this work, so please take a moment to watch the [introductory video](#) and complete our [PINS Parent Carer Survey](#). Your feedback will help directly shape our future support and workshops!

Have a wonderful weekend.

With best wishes

Mrs Marianne McDonnell

Headteacher

COMING UP NEXT WEEK:

Monday 14th September - Y&2 'Meet the Teachers' Information Session 3.00pm in KS2 hall

Tuesday 15th September - Y3 'Meet the Teachers' Information Session 3.00pm in KS2 hall

Wednesday 16th September - Y3 Life as a WWII Evacuee Experience at the Rural Life Museum
Y5 Life as a WWII Evacuee Experience at Milestones Museum
Y1&2 'Meet the Teachers' Information Session 3.00pm in KS2 hall

Thursday 17th September - Y1&2 Victorian Life experience at Rural Life Museum
Y4 Life as an WWII Evacuee Experience at Aldershot Military Museum
Y5 'Meet the Teachers' Information Session 3.00pm in KS2 hall

Friday 18th September - 10th Anniversary Celebration **MUFTI Day** - Please bring a bottle for our bottle tombola in return for wearing your own clothes

Saturday 19th September - Call for helpers - come and help put up gazebos and tables between 3-5pm for our Big Birthday Party tomorrow. Email sendschoolsptfa@gmail.com if you can help

Sunday 20th September - Send is 10! - Anniversary Celebration & Big Birthday Party

THIS WEEK'S AWARDS:

Star of the Week:

(Awarded for effort and work in class)

Y1&2 Magnolia - Isabella & Liam

Y1&2 Hawthorn - Winnie & Lucy

Y1&2 Juniper - Finn & Leo

Y3 Fir - Luke H & Miley

Y3 Elm - Freddie & Joni

Y4 Cedar - Isobel & Macie

Y4 Maple - Cameron & Ollie

Y5 Beech - Lilly & Beau

Y5 Pine - Isla & Jonathan

Y6 Oak - Harriet & Lilly

Y6 Sycamore - Flick & Chloe

Values Champion:

Thankfulness

1&2 Magnolia - Frankie

Y1&2 Hawthorn - Oliver

Y1&2 Juniper - Vendel

Y3 Fir - River

Y3 Elm - Amayah

Y4 Cedar - Jackson

Y4 Maple - Roman

Y5 Beech - Mabel

Y5 Pine - Erin

Y6 Oak - Arya

Y6 Sycamore - Joseph

House Points

Are rolling over to next week

Attendance Award

Congratulations to **Y5**

Pine Class with **99.5%**

Click to see our socials



SEND'S GOT TALENT

Congratulations to the children who shared their talents with us in celebration assembly this week:

- **Isla (Y2)** passed her stage 3 swimming. She is very excited to now work towards passing her level 4.
- **Thea (Y3)** has moved up for swimming and has got her 10 meters award.
- **Rosie (Y4)** has completed her Climbing NICAS 3 (equivalent to a GCSE). She's the youngest climber to ever do this at her climbing club!
- **Amelia (Y6)** took part in her first horse show and won 1st place in her class.



Has your child done something great outside of school? Please email info@sendcofe.co.uk with the details and a picture of your child (optional) by Thursday morning for inclusion in celebration assembly and the newsletter that week. Emails received after 9.30am on Thursday will be shared the following week.

WE ARE EXCITED TO JOIN SURREY'S PINS PROJECT!

We are thrilled to announce that our school is taking part in Surrey's Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project! We are delighted to have been selected for this program and are eager to work together with our whole school community to enhance how we support every learner.



PINS brings together schools, parent carers, health services, and local authorities to strengthen inclusive practice and improve support for neurodivergent children and young people. In Surrey, the project aims to build strong, collaborative partnerships between schools and families, ensuring support and environmental adjustments are introduced early, without needing a formal diagnosis.

What This Means for Our School:

- Collaborating with health and education specialists to review and enhance our classrooms and playgrounds to be even more sensory- and communication-friendly.
- Providing our staff with specialized training to build on our whole-school inclusion strategies.
- Working directly alongside parent carers to ensure family insights guide our provisions.

Because parent carer voices are at the heart of this project, we need your input! Your views will help us and the PINS team understand what support families find most helpful. The information you share will directly shape upcoming parent carer sessions, workshops, resources, and opportunities to get involved.

GAZEBOS NEEDED PLEASE



Do you have a gazebo that we could borrow to provide shelter for the games and activities at our Big Birthday Fair on 20th September?

If you do, please can you drop it off at the office by next Friday morning and include a name label on it with your surname. Thank you



SEND PRIMARY IS 10!



2036

COMPETITION: SEND 2036 & BEYOND!

TIME TUNNEL



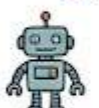
What do you think our school will be like in 10, 20 or 30 years' time?



IDEAS TO SPARK YOUR IMAGINATION



The building? Classrooms, playgrounds, or a slide instead of stairs?



Technology? Robot teachers, AI helpers, or VR lessons?



Environment? Solar panels, outdoor classrooms, or vegetable gardens?



Learning? New subjects to learn?



Playtime? New games or equipment?



School lunches? What will children eat in 2036?



Go wild! Flying school buses? Hologram teachers?

CATEGORIES & AMAZING PRIZES

1ST PRIZE per category
Years 1/2, 3/4, 5/6

2 Tickets (Child + 1 Adult) to:
'Natural History Museum
DINOSAURS LIVE!
at Woking Theatre
on 31/10



RUNNER-UP PRIZE

per category
Years 1/2, 3/4, 5/6

History Books
(e.g., Horrible History collection),
Stationery & more!



CREATE YOUR IDEAS!

Create a picture, poster, piece of writing or model

LABEL YOUR ENTRY!

Write your Name & Class on the **BACK** for writing/drawing
Clearly display Name & Class on your **Model** base

KEY DETAILS

CLOSING DATE: Friday 18th September
WINNERS ON DISPLAY AT THE FAIR!



10TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION SERVICE

As part of our Big Birthday celebration, we are having a Service of Thanksgiving at 10.30am on Sunday 20th September and we would love our children to lead the way.

As the oldest children in the school, we invite **every member of Y6 to join us**. They will play a central part in the service through readings, leading reflections, and helping us give thanks for the past ten years of our school community. Alongside Year 6, we are also inviting the **School Choir** and members of the **Faith Council** (from last year) to join us for this uplifting occasion.

Service Timings & Info

- Drop-off Time: 10:25 AM
- Service Time: 10.30am
- Location: KS2 Hall
- Collection / End Time: 11:45 AM
- Big Birthday Fair: 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM (on the school grounds)

Parents, family members, and carers are warmly invited to join us for the service! However, if you are unable to stay for the service itself, a 'Drop and Go' option is available. Drop-off at 10:25 AM and collect at 11:45 AM.

Children taking part will need to wear their full school uniform for the Thanksgiving service. We know uniforms aren't ideal for bouncy castles and fair games! We will provide a designated space after the service where children can quickly change into their own clothes before heading over to enjoy the Birthday Fair.

We would love to see every single member of our new **Year 6, School Choir** and **Faith Council** there to represent our school on this historic occasion. Please complete our online form to confirm their attendance by **asap**

<https://forms.gle/gsztmxG2ksT3JqVP>

WE ARE LOOKING FOR AN AFTERSCHOOL CLUB LEAD

It is with sadness that I am sharing that Miss Jodie Collyer-Gibbs will be leaving her role as after school club lead at the end of October. Miss Collyer-Gibbs has been an amazing club leader helping our club grow into an incredibly successful operation. Her calm organisation skills and warmth with the children have been a key part of that, and now as she has decided to spend more time with her own children, we thank her and wish her all the very best.

We are looking for a new After School Club Lead - could it be you? Or do you know someone who may be interested? If so please forward them our advert and encourage them to apply. Key details are here:

- Contract: Permanent, Term-Time Only (38 weeks per year)
- Hours: Monday – Thursday, 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM (10 hours per week)
- Pay: Surrey S5: £15.21 – £16.29 per hour (Actual salary incl. paid holiday: £6,646 – £7,120 per year)
- Start Date: 2nd November 2026 or earlier by arrangement

See the full advert and apply online here:

<https://www.eteach.com/careers/sendcofe/job/afterschool-club-leader-1569919>

ATTENDANCE REMINDER - LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING SCHOOL TERM

We understand that family events are important, but we must remind all parents and carers about the rules around absence during term time. If you consider that there are exceptional circumstances relating to your leave of absence request, please let the school have full details. Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis.

Penalty Notices to Address Poor Attendance at School

A Penalty Notice may be issued as an alternative to the prosecution of a parent/carer for their child's unauthorised absence from school (absence without the agreement of the school or not covered by a medical note) and will be used by Surrey County Council in the following circumstances :-

1. Pupils identified by police and Attendance Advice Officers (formerly Inclusion Officers) engaged on Truancy Patrols and who have incurred unauthorised absences.
2. Leave of absence in term time (5 days or 10 sessions or more). Please be aware that The School Attendance (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2024 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. They may request that Surrey County Council issue Penalty Notices when the absence is not authorised. Warnings will not be given where it can be shown that parents have been notified that such absences will not be authorised.
3. Finally, the issuing of a Penalty Notice will also be considered where it is judged that a parent is failing to ensure their child's regular school attendance. This will be considered when a pupil has incurred 10 or more unauthorised sessions in the previous 10 school weeks, which may include a pupil arriving late after close of registration.

If you believe at any stage that your child's absence from school may leave you liable to receive a Penalty Notice, it is extremely important that you act without delay to secure their regular attendance. If you have any questions or require further support to achieve an improvement in your child's attendance, please contact your child's school or the Attendance Advice Officer.

Penalty Notice relating to Exclusions

If a child is excluded from school, Section 103 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 places a duty on parents/carers to ensure that their child is not in a public place without justifiable cause during school hours.

This duty applies to the first five days of each exclusion. Failure to do so will render the parent/carer liable to a Penalty Notice. (Alternative education provision will be made available from the sixth day of any exclusion.)

Amount Payable for a Penalty Notice and Consequences for repeat unauthorised absences

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Advice and support is available from an Attendance Advice Officer by contacting Surrey Attendance Service as follows :-

North West - Tel: 01483 518130 South West - Tel: 01483 517874

North East - Tel: 01372 833588 South East - Tel: 01737 737777

Everyone
Welcome!



Food, fun
and a great
community spirit!

BIG BIRTHDAY FAIR

Send C of E
SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2026
12pm - 3pm

📍 **AT THE SCHOOL**



*Come and share your memories and
celebrate our future together.*

✉ 10@sendcofe.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September		
Mon 14th - Fri 18th Sept	Bikeability for year 6	
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Monday 21st September	Y6 'Meet the Teachers' Information Session 3.00pm in KS2 hall	
Thursday 24th September	Y4,5&6 Girls Rugby at Stoke Park 4pm kick off	
Wednesday 30th September	Dental Health Session for Y1&2 children in school	
Thursday 1st October	Year 3 'Feet First' Pedestrian Safety Training	
Thursday 1st October	Y5&6 Cross Country Race @ Worplesdon / Rydes Hill 4pm	
Friday 2nd October	Year 3 'Feet First' Pedestrian Safety Training	
Monday 5th October	'Come and see with me' Session 3.15pm - 4.30pm in classes	
Thursday 8th October	Y3&4 Tag Festival - Guildfordians RFC @4pm	
Friday 9th October	Y6 Netball Tournament at Tourmead School @ 1pm	
Monday 12th October	Sibling and Individual Photo Day	
Thursday 15th October	Y4,5&6 Cross Country Relay Races at Boxgrove School @ 4pm	
Friday 16th October	School closes for October ½ term holiday at 3.15pm	
Monday 2nd November	School reopens for all children	
Thursday 5th November	Y6 Boys Football tournament at Holy Trinity / Boxgrove @ 4pm	
Sunday 8th November	Village Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service (details tbc)	

Wednesday 11th November	Service of Remembrance led by Y6 in school at 10.30am (parents welcome to join us)	
Thursday 12th November	Y5&6 Girls Football tournament at Holy Trinity / Boxgrove @ 4pm	
Monday 16th November	Y6 Ambassadors at Coffee Shop	



WOKING FAMILY CENTRE

Online 10-week course
Starting 23rd Sept- 2 Dec 2026
7.00pm - 8.45pm

The Nurturing Programme
(formerly The Parenting Puzzle)

This tried and tested programme can help you deal with challenges supporting a calmer family life.

The course covers:

- Recognising feelings behind behaviours
- Different approaches to positive discipline
- Co-operation and self discipline
- The importance of looking after ourselves

For more information scan the QR code or call: 01483 310419



Woking Family Centre, The Bungalow, Sythwood, Woking Surrey GU21 3AX

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NEW! COMETS PROGRAMME
Our Comets sessions are for 5-11 year olds so younger players are now welcome too!

TRAINING EVERY SATURDAY MORNING
9:30AM – 11:30AM
KNAPHILL SCHOOL PLAYING FIELDS

PARKING AVAILABLE
Knaphill Bowling Club, Sussex Road, Knaphill, Woking GU24 2RA

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