

Friday 9th May Newsletter

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Whole school attendance

94.25 %

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed quality family time together. It has been good that the improved weather has allowed more opportunities to get out and about. I am sure many of you, like me, enjoyed the break.

We have had a fabulous start to the summer term and all our children have settled back into school with smiling faces, eager to learn and play together.

Enjoy your weekend.

Victoria Abbott
Headteacher

Assessment 2025

Yr. 2

This term Year 2 children will be completing their optional National SATs Tests. The children will be assessed in reading, writing, maths, spelling, punctuation and grammar. They provide a snapshot of children's attainment and help Year 2 teachers arrive at a secure judgement for their final 'teacher assessment' at the end of Key Stage 1. Key Stage 1 SATs take place in May, and while these tests are no longer compulsory, we will continue to use them at Moss Lane.

We like to keep things very low-key for the children so that they are relaxed and complete the assessments in a confident way. We don't tell children when they will be doing their SATs as we like to make it appear to be a normal school day.

The outcome of the SATs will be used in addition to the teachers' judgements to form an end-of-year assessment that will be reported to parents in their reports. Please can I ask all parents of Year 2 children to ensure, where possible, they are in school every day this term.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (Year 1 pupils)

Children in Year 1 take a phonics reading test in June. This test is a series of words – proper and nonsense words which children are asked to read using their phonic knowledge. If a child in Year 1 does not get the required number of words right to pass the test they are able to resit it in Year 2. We are required to administer a phonics screening check to children in Year 1. The 2025 check will take place during the week beginning Monday 9th June 2025.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/phonics-screening-check-information-for-parents/phonics-screening-check-2024-information-for-parents-text-only-version>

Click below for the Parent Portal on Little Wandle's website which is packed full of resources and videos to help you support your child.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



Our value for this term is
Resilience

What's Coming Up...

Monday 12th May
Squirrels Woodland School

Tuesday 13th May
Otters Woodland School

Friday 16th May
Class Photos

Monday 19th May
Foxes Woodland School

Friday 23rd May
Half Term

Monday 2nd June
Back to school
Otters Woodland School

Tuesday 3rd June
Sports day

Saturday 7th June
Godalming Town Show

Check out our
online calendar of events
[here](#).

The Grapheme Code Mat

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If you have any questions or queries around the SATS or the phonics, check please speak to your child's class teacher.

Ofsted Parent View...

Ofsted Parent View is an opportunity for you to give your view on our school. The questionnaire can be completed at any time - you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

Godalming Carnival 2025...

Save the date! June 7th June 2025.

This year's theme is Mythical Kingdom. We are asking children to come dressed as dragons or unicorns. More information to information to follow shortly.



Parent Clinics...

These are a good opportunity for you to discuss any concerns or worries that you might have about your child with Mrs Abbott. You should have discussed these issues with your child's class teacher in the first instance. Then, if you feel they have not been resolved, please make an appointment via the school office. These appointments will be face-to-face so please inform the office if you would like an appointment. The appointments last for approximately 15 minutes.

The next parent clinics will be on Wednesday 14th May and Tuesday 17th June.

Summer is coming!

Despite the sun there has still been a cold wind so please continue to send your child in with a coat. When the weather gets warmer please send your child in with a named sun hat. On hot days we ask that you apply sun cream first thing in the morning before your child comes into school. Please do not send sun cream into school. We have shaded areas on the playground where we encourage the children to play when it is hot. If you are buying summer shoes / sandals for your child, please buy ones that are enclosed and not open.





NSPCC's Underwear Rule

Ongoing as part of our PHSE curriculum all children discuss the NSPCC's Underwear Rule in the classes at school.

During these discussions we aim to teach our pupils the following important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. We teach our pupils the NSPCC's Underwear Rule, using the 'PANTS' acronym which is like a green cross code for staying safe from sexual abuse.

PANTS stands for:

- **P**rivates are private
- **A**lways remember your body belongs to you
- **N**o means no
- **T**alk about secrets that upset you
- **S**peak up, someone can help

Lessons introduce a range of ideas, all delivered in a way that is fully age-appropriate. These include: -

- "Appropriate" and "inappropriate" touching
- Your child's right to say no to things that make them feel upset or uncomfortable
- Naming parts of the body

Who your child can turn to if they ever feel upset or worried.

More information about the Underwear Rule, including a short film and a parent guide, can be found at www.nspcc.org.uk/underwearrule. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.

Summer Reading Challenge

Summer Reading Challenge is being launched in Surrey Libraries on Saturday 5th July and runs until Saturday 13th September. Developed by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, this annual event for 4-11 year-olds is designed to keep children reading during the summer.



Children's reading can 'dip' during the long summer holidays if they do not have regular access to books and encouragement to read for pleasure and this can be a problem for schools to put right in the new term. The Reading Agency's annual Summer Reading Challenge really helps by getting over 600,000 children regularly into libraries over the summer, with thousands more taking part online.

The Summer Reading Challenge 2025 theme is 'Story Garden - Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors', and will explore the magical connection between storytelling and nature. Children have to be a library member to take part, but participation is completely free, and they can collect special stickers and rewards including a certificate. The aim is to read up to six books, and children can read whatever they like from Surrey Libraries' excellent range, including eBooks and eAudiobooks!

This week in school



This week, our children took part in a very special celebration to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE Day. In the week we had a moving theatre performance all about life for children during the Second World War, helping our pupils understand the courage and resilience of that time. The children learned two traditional wartime songs – *Pack Up Your Troubles in Your Old Kit Bag* and *Hooray for VE Day* – and proudly sang them in a special assembly. Lunch was a nod to the national dish of the era: fish fingers and chips! Throughout the day, children got creative by making Union Jack flags, bunting, designing medals, and packing suitcases as if they were evacuees. The whole school was decorated in red, white, and blue, and everyone wore mufti in the colours of the UK to show their patriotic spirit. We were honoured to welcome the Mayor and the Mayor's Consort, who joined us in celebrating this important milestone in British history.



Easter Fund raisin Challenge

1. Foxes - £147.05 THE WINNERS!!!

2. Hedgehogs - £119.77
3. Bumblebees - £78.45
4. Honey Bees - £76.47
5. Otters - £69.80
6. Squirrels - £52.08
7. Total - £543.62



From the PTA...

The PTA would like to thank everyone who has supported the PTA over the year. We look forward to seeing your quiz teams tonight in the hall at 7.30pm. Please bring your own alcohol. The PTA will be running an honesty bar with soft drinks & snacks – bring some cash for tasty extras and a few fun games!



Watches...

We are mindful of children wearing 'Fitbit' style watches to school. We do request that they wear analogue watches so that they can learn to tell the time and are not distracted by games and other facilities these watches have.



Appointments...

Wherever possible, appointments such as dental, medical, opticians should be booked outside of school hours or during the school holidays. If your child must have a medical or dental appointment in school time, please try and make it after 2pm so your child can have their registration mark for the afternoon. If it needs to be in the morning, please try and bring them to school first to get their registration mark and return them to school afterwards. Absence Request Forms can be found [here](#) or collect one from the front office.

Sickness absence reporting...

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please call the school office before the start of the school day and leave a message with your child's name, class and details of illness. It is important that you provide information on why your child is ill in case we need to notify parents of vulnerable children or staff, for example in the case of chicken pox or measles.



Thank a Teacher Day...

National Thank a Teacher Day is on Wednesday 18th June and is all about appreciating the hard work of every single member of staff in early years, schools and colleges across the UK. It encourages everyone in the UK to recognise the impact that the education community has in shaping the minds and futures of our young people. If you would like to thank your child's class teacher or Learning Support Assistant please use the link below:

<https://thankateacher.co.uk/thank-a-teacher/thank-a-teacher-form/>



Playground

As you are aware the playground equipment is out of action and in need of being replaced. We are currently exploring funding opportunities to do this and aim for it to be replaced during the summer holidays. The PTA will also be raising funds to support this important project.

Reception Morning Challenges

Remember that parents/carers/grandparents can still sign up to come and help with Morning Challenges from 8.45am-9.45am each day in both Reception classes. If you haven't had a chance to come yet, or would like to help again, please sign up on the clipboards which live outside each classroom. It is so helpful to the class teachers to have a parent helper each day and we are really grateful for your support.

Local Events...

Ramster Garden

Location: Ramster Garden Petworth Rd, Chiddingfold, Surrey, GU8 4SN, United Kingdom
Experience an outstanding collection of sculptures created by professional and emerging sculptors while enjoying Ramster Garden in its seasonal glory. The artist's trail takes you through the woodland garden and its breathtaking collection of rhododendrons and azaleas to see an array of sculptures. At every twist and turn, there are hidden surprises as the winding paths lead you to modern and classical sculptures created from a mix of materials which offer richness in texture, colour and whimsical humour. Enjoy morning coffee, lunch or afternoon tea at Ramster Tea House as part of your visit. Event included in garden entry price. **Event Start Date:** 02/05/2025 **Event End Date:** 01/06/2025



Skateboarding Lessons

Location: Godalming Skatepark, The Burys, Godalming, Surrey, GU7 1HR, United Kingdom

Skateboarding lessons are available for all levels; everybody is welcome. The price is £10 for a one-hour session. The Lessons will be from 9 to 10 a.m. on Sundays.

Event Start Date: 27/04/2025 09:00 **Event End Date:** 27/04/2025 10:00 **Duration:** 1 hour



Location: Merrist Wood College, Guildford, Surrey, GU3 3PE, United Kingdom

A brand-new event dedicated to modern countryside skills and living. Experience the innovative side of rural life, meet local producers, and enjoy activities like animal care, arboriculture, and sustainable land management. A fantastic family event with tractor rides, pony rides, tree climbing, and more. Young people can explore what's on offer at Merrist Wood College through interactive demonstrations in horticulture, arboriculture, and animal management.

For further details and to book tickets, visit the [Surrey Hills National Landscape website](#)

Event Start Date: 21/06/2025 10:00 **Event End Date:** 22/06/2025 16:00



Music in the Park Saturday 10th May *3.00 – 5.00pm*

Charterhouse Jazz Band

and

Sunday 11th May *3.00 – 5.00pm *Supporting The Dan Ely Foundation Godalming College Bands



Maths workshops for parents

Surrey Family Learning (part of Surrey County Council) courses are delivered by qualified professionals, within the OFSTED framework.

Are you puzzled by your child's maths homework?

Please enrol in one of our engaging online courses or workshops today.

What you will learn: -

- Confidence in supporting their child with maths for Key Stage One and Two.
- Understand how your child is taught at school.
- Improve your own maths skills while helping your child succeed.

Together, we can make a difference in our community.

#SurreyParents #MathsSupport #KeyStageOne #KeyStageTwo #ParentingTips
#MathsConfidence

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/adult-learning/courses/search?keyword=math&category=FAMLRN>

