

Newsletter - 4th October 2024

DIARY DATES

- Sunday 6th October I 0am, Harvest Service at St Mary's Church
- Monday 7th October Activity Leaders and House Captains, PhysiFun training with Mrs Collins
- Monday 7th October KS2 Cross Country Event, Oxted School
- Tuesday 8th October Individual and sibling school photos (full school uniform for all)
- Wednesday 9th October 8.30am-8.45am, Reception Class Open Morning parents welcome to visit the classroom to talk to the children about their learning
- Wednesday 9th October Theatre Exchange Workshops for Years 2 and 3
- Thursday 10th October World Mental Health Day, option to wear an item of yellow to school (see separate information)
- Friday 11th October House Captains leading House Assemblies
- Monday 14th October Fire Safety Visit for Year 2
- Tuesday 15th October Year 6 to the Tandridge Junior Citizen event
- Thursday 17th October Fire Safety Visit for Year 5
- Friday 18th October 8.50am, Year 4 Learning Assembly in the School Hall, parents welcome
- Friday 18th October End of term
- Monday 4th November Beginning of term, gates open at 8.30am

Please check term dates on the <u>school website</u> before booking holidays. Absence for holidays is not authorised and could result in a penalty notice fine.

HARVEST

Our school value this week was 'community'. This was demonstrated brilliantly in our Harvest Assembly this morning where pupils brought a wonderful amount of donations into school for the Westerham Food Bank. We were delighted to be joined by children and staff from Little Acorns Nursery and Rev. Debra spoke to us about four important Cs - change, challenge, compassion and community. The assembly finished with a rousing rendition of *Harvest Samba*, filling our school community with enthusiasm and positive energy for the day!







COMPASSION IN ACTION

Willow has demonstrated a wonderful act of kindness recently. Losing her Grandad to pancreatic cancer at the beginning of the year, the effects of cancer was in the forefront of everyone's minds, particularly Willow. She was talking to her cousin, a nurse at Great Ormond Street, who explained that lots of young people suffer from this awful disease, and that as a result of their treatment could lose their hair. This upset Willow, so she decided to have her hair cut and donate it to the Little Princess Trust, a charity who provide free real hair wigs to young people who have lost their hair through cancer treatment and other causes.

It costs on average £700 to provide one wig to a child or young person. This cost covers the making, fitting and styling of the wig. Willow set a fundraising target of £700 so she could make one person happy and send in her hair to go towards a wig. Willow had 12 inches of healthy hair cut and by the end of her journey has raised £1,853!



A REQUEST FROM NATURE & GARDENING CLUB...

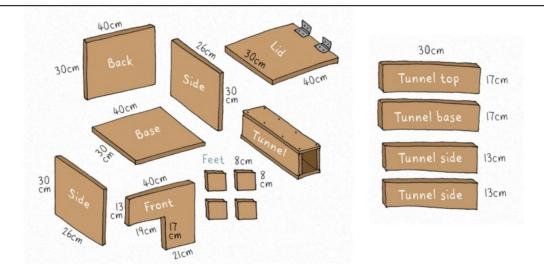
Dear parents and carers,

The Nature and Gardening Club plan to construct a hedgehog house at school to encourage these wonderful creatures. We need your help! Could anyone support us with the resources we need please?:

- Polythene sheeting
- 2 metal hinges
- 20mm untreated FSC plywood boards (birch is ideal!) cut to the sizes shown
- Nails

If anyone is able to support us, we will be very thankful. Please contact Mrs Knock at: deputyhead@tatsfieldtlt.co.uk

Many thanks, Toby, Gracie, Oscar, Beau, Louis, Mrs Knock and Mrs Hancock







WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

Thursday 10th October is World Mental Health Day. The World Mental Health Foundation encourage us to all come together to talk about mental health and show everyone that mental health matters. Everyone at Tatsfield is encouraged to wear an item of yellow on Thursday 10th October to raise awareness of mental health support and charities. Children can replace one item of their uniform with something yellow (eg yellow socks, yellow shorts, a yellow jumper or a yellow hairband).

The PTA have organised for a collection for Clockwork in Oxted on Thursday 10th October for anyone who would like to donate. Clockwork are a registered charity to help young people access local counselling and mental health services. The charity also seeks to promote and protect good mental health through services such as peer listening, support groups and information provision., The charity receives no government or local authority funding.

Surrey County Council offer workshops for families on a range of areas such as self-esteem, anxiety and resilience: Find an adult learning course - Surrey County Council (surreycc.gov.uk)

YMCA East Surrey's Community Wellbeing Team is offering two free online workshops for parents/carers:

- Talking to your child and supporting them to cope with worries
- Understanding, expressing and managing emotions Parent/Carer Workshops - YMCA East Surrey

ATTENDANCE

Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their full potential. Research from the **Department for Education** shows that pupils who performed better at the end of primary school (Y6 SATs) missed fewer days than those who didn't perform as well.

Class attendance for the last two weeks:

Reception Class (Wrens) - 98.5% Year I (Robins) - 99.3% Year 2 (Kingfishers) - 99.5% Year 3 (Woodpeckers) - 95.6%

Year 4 (Kestrels) - 98.5%



🚩 Year 5 (Owls) - 99.6% Congratulations Owls! 💢



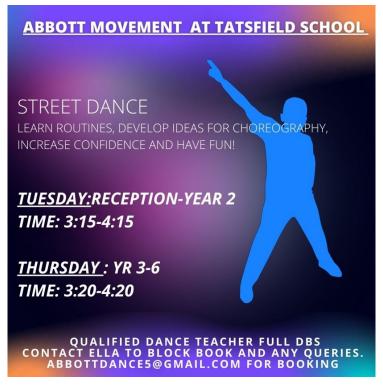
Year 6 (Eagles) - 96.6%











For parents in Surrey



Think Pharmacy First for your child

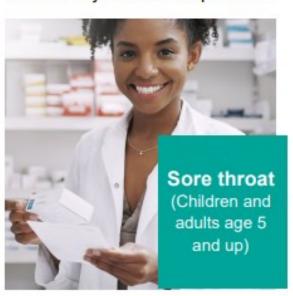
Surrey Heartlands



Pharmacies can now offer appointment, with medication available if required, for four conditions that affect school-age children:

- Ear ache (children aged 1-17)
- Sore throat (over 5s)
- Infected insect bites (over 1s)
- Impetigo (over 1s)

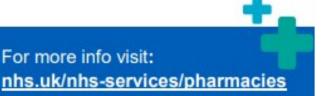
GP practices are busy and an appointment is not always necessary. When your child is ill with any of the above conditions, by going straight to a local pharmacy, you can have a consultation with a trained clinical professional and receive advice and even medication if it is needed. meaning they could be on the road to recovery as soon as possible.





The majority of Surrey community pharmacies offer the Pharmacy First service. Remember - if your child has an ear ache, sore throat, impetigo symptoms or suspected infected insect bite, think Pharmacy First.

For more info visit:





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Week 1 Tue 22nd October - Thu 24th October Week 2 Tue 29th October - Thu 31st October



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