



Tatsfield
Primary School

Newsletter - 11th September 2026

DIARY DATES

(Subscribe to the school calendar on the [website](#) to keep your diaries updated!)

Saturday 11th September - Tatsfield Horticultural Society Autumn Show in the Village Hall - more information on page 2,

Monday 14th September - 4.30pm Year 4 Parent Welcome Meeting.

Tuesday 15th September - 4.30pm Year 5 Parent Welcome Meeting.

Wednesday 16th September - 4.30pm Year 3 Parent Welcome Meeting.

Thursday 17th September - Photographer in school taking new photos for our school website.

Monday 21st September - 4.30pm Wrens (Year R) Parent Welcome Meeting.

Monday 21st September - 4.30pm Year 1 Parent Welcome Meeting.

Tuesday 22nd September - 4.30pm Year 2 Parent Welcome Meeting.

Friday 25th September - National Teaching Assistants' Day.

Thursday 1st October - Harvest Assembly (more information to follow).

Please check term dates on page 3 of this newsletter or on the [school website](#) before booking holidays.

Absence for holidays is not authorised and could result in a penalty notice fine.

WELCOME BACK!

It's been a super start to the new academic year! Our school values have been evident in every class and everyone is trying to 'Aim High, Achieve More'!

We are delighted to welcome our new Wren Class and their families to the school, as well as the children and families who are joining us in other classes this year.

In the summer, our Year 6s who were leaving us, rang our school bell to signify the end of their school journey at Tatsfield, this week, our new Wrens rang the school bell to start their school journey!

A special new tradition for our new Wrens.

In assembly this week, 'respect' has been our school value of the week and we used Dolly Parton's 'Coat of Many Colors' as a discussion point for showing respect and kindness to everyone. Like the threads in Dolly's coat, respect and kindness are always values we will be weaving through our daily life at school.

We all look forward to a positive and successful school year with you all.

Mrs Jewitt



GOLD SCHOOL GAMES AWARD!

Did you see the summer newsletter...? We announced that for the first time ever, Tatsfield Primary School has been awarded the Gold School Games Mark award! The award is facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across the school and community. This award demonstrates our focus on activity throughout the school day (not just PE lessons), our inclusive approach to sports and PE and the strength of pupil voice and sports culture across the school. Well done everyone!

Aim High, Achieve More!

TATSFIELD HORTICULTURAL SHOW

We had many successful entries in the last Tatsfield Horticultural Show and hope that even with this short notice, some children may be able to enter some items into tomorrow's Autumn Show in the Village Hall.

The categories are:

Section J: Juniors 11 and under. The Tatsfield School Cup - most points in this section.

Please state age on entry form. Any craft materials are acceptable e.g. wood, clay, plastic and cardboard waste.

93: A bird feeder made out of recycled materials.

94: An artistic collage made from gathered autumn leaves.

95: Four decorated fairy cakes.

And entries can be made via the THS website:

www.tatsfieldgardeningclub.org.uk

Please do let us know if you enter!



TATSFIELD GARDENING CLUB

AUTUMN SHOW!

12 september
3pm
Tatsfield village hall!

ENTRIES ALL ONLINE BY FRIDAY
11TH SEPTEMBER!
[HTTP://TATSFIELDGARDENINGCLUB.ORG.UK/](http://tatsfieldgardeningclub.org.uk/)

- * Flowers
- * Crafts
- * Drought affected
- * Photography and much more!
- * Fruit and vegetables
- * Junior categories

Exhibitors can set up from 8:30 on Saturday 12th, any queries call 07815775859 Carol our show secretary.



DANCE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to all of our pupils who sat their Street Dance examinations with Boom Arts Academy in the summer. They all achieved honours and were presented with their medals and certificates in assembly this week!

Laynie-May
Penelope R
Riley
Evie

Ioana
Elizabeth
Roman
Pippa
Willow

SCHOOL LUNCH

Our new school menu with our new caters, [Olive Dining](#), has been very delicious and enjoyed by lots of the children. If your child would like to try a school lunch, more information is on our [school website](#). All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals.



ATTENDANCE

Class attendance so far...:

Year 1 (Robins) - 95.5%

Year 2 (Kingfishers) - 98.3%

★ **Year 3 (Woodpeckers) - 99.1% Congratulations Woodpeckers!** ★

Year 4 (Kestrels) - 95.2%

Year 5 (Owls) - 95.3%

Year 6 (Eagles) - 97.9%

Aim High, Achieve More!

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn 1 – Term 1

Thursday 3rd September 2026 - Friday 16th October 2026

INSET Days 1st and 2nd September

Half-term (2 weeks)

Monday 19th October 2026 - Friday 30th October 2026

Autumn 2 – Term 2

Monday 2nd November 2026 - Friday 18th December 2026 (finishing at 2pm)

Christmas Holidays (2 weeks)

Monday 21st December 2026 - Friday 1st January 2027

Spring 1 – Term 3

Wednesday 6th January 2027 - Friday 12th February 2027

INSET Days Monday 4th January 2027 and Tuesday 5th January 2027

Half Term Holiday (1 week)

Monday 15th February 2027 - Friday 19th February 2027

Spring 2 – Term 4

Monday 22nd February 2027 - Thursday 25th March 2027 (finishing at 2pm)

Easter Holidays (2 weeks)

Friday 26th March 2027 - Friday 9th April 2027

Summer 1 – Term 5

Tuesday 13th April 2027 - Friday 28th May 2027

INSET Day - Monday 12th April 2027

Monday 3rd May 2027 - Bank Holiday

Half-term Holiday (1 week)

Monday 31st May 2027 - Friday 4th June 2027

Summer 2 – Term 6

Monday 7th June 2027 – Friday 23rd July 2027 (finishing at 1.30pm)

Holidays during term time are not authorised and may result in a penalty notice fine being issued.

PENALTY NOTICES - GUIDANCE FROM SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL

A reminder for parents/carers , that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

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.



Upcoming Online Courses from Surrey Adult Education

Build Emotional Resilience with Storybooks
 Building your Child's Concentration
 Building your Child's Resilience
 Confident Transitions for Your Neurodiverse Child
 Emotional Regulation in Children: Practical Support for Parents
 Empower Your Child: Supportive Approaches to Manage Anxiety (Intro)
 Empower Your Child: Positive Ways to Handle Anger and Meltdowns
 Explore Behaviour Strategies
 First Steps to Understanding Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance
 First Steps to Understanding Masking
 Helping your Child to Develop Positive Bedtime Routines
 Helping your Child to Develop Positive Friendships
 Navigating the options after Y11 (college, apprenticeship, work and beyond)
 Sensory Routines to Support Your Child's Behaviour and Learning
 Sensory Routines to Support Your Child with ASD, ADHD and other
 Starting School: Navigating Anxiety and Expectations for Parents
 Use a Positive Approach to Build Your Child's Resilience
 Who's in Charge? First steps to understanding Child to Parent Violence

Please note that some of these courses may have waiting lists and some run to more than one session.

For full details of these and other courses offered by Surrey Adult Learning and how to book, click below.

[SEARCH COURSES](#)

Online Safety News

New Government Measures to Strengthen Children's Online Safety

On 8th September, the Rt Hon Lisa Nandy MP, Secretary of State for the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport updated Parliament on steps the government is taking to create a safer online environment. These new steps are designed to protect children from sexual harm online, following growing concerns about the ease with which young people can take, share, or view nude images on phones, tablets and apps.

Ministers have been working closely with major technology companies, including Apple and Google, to explore stronger device-level protections. Both companies have now committed to meaningful changes within their operating systems, such as blocking nude imagery on under-18 devices and expanding age-assurance features that prevent children from sending or receiving sexual images on services like iMessage and FaceTime.

The government has been clear that current progress does not yet match the scale of the problem. The Internet Watch Foundation reports that 91% of child sexual abuse images online are self-generated, often through grooming, coercion or manipulation. Thousands of offences each year involve an online element, with children increasingly targeted for blackmail and sexual extortion. The government plans to introduce new legislation requiring major tech platforms to build in robust device-level protections for children. Alongside this, apps commonly used by young people will also be required to prevent children from accessing or sharing nude imagery. The aim is to ensure that both devices and apps work together to reduce risk and prevent harm. The government's message to industry is clear: progress must now translate into real-world protection for children.

Read the full statement by clicking here.



HEALTHY FOOD HABITS

FOOD EXPLORER (SEND)

This workshop is run by a certified dietician. Discover simple, engaging ways to eat together that will make mealtimes easier, healthier and more fun. Children participate at their own pace, parents learn how to adjust during this inclusive, sensory - based workshop.



Wednesday 23rd September



9:30am - 11:00am



Biggin Hill Children and Family Centre,
Sunningvale Ave, Biggin Hill, TN16 3TN



To book, call 01959 571 694 or email
bigginhillcfc@bromley.gov.uk.

