



Weekly Newsletter

Friday 21st June 2024

Dear parents and carers

England may have had mixed performances this week, but there's certainly no issues with the heights our squad is reaching! This week has seen soap carving in Year 4, animals of all shapes and sizes in Year R and 5, a Mayan chocolate workshop in Year 5 and lots more!

Year 6 began the week with a visit to Lingfield alongside Lingfield Prep, Lingfield Primary and Dormansland. The Year 6 classes are all taking part in 'Startup Sherpa' over the next few weeks, an exciting project where the children will work in groups to choose a problem for which they will create a product or concept to solve. Think of it as 'Dragon's Den' for children! The project will culminate with semi-finals in school, followed by the winners travelling back to Lingfield to present their project to the judges alongside the winners from the other schools. Watch this space as we progress!



Meanwhile back in school, the 'circle of school life' continues and we were excited to welcome our new Year R for their first taster sessions on Thursday. All of the children were absolutely fabulous- lots of gentle confidence, excitement and readiness to explore their new surroundings were on show. Mrs Ruffels and Miss Nicholls were very impressed with their new class's first steps into primary school life.

Tomorrow, as if you didn't already know, is the big one- the FoFPS Summer Festival! Thank you so much to everyone who has already donated or volunteered. There is still time to fill those last few stall slots but, whatever you are able to do, we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible tomorrow from 1pm – 4pm for what we are sure will be a wonderful community occasion as always.

Have a great weekend whatever you're up to,
Mr Hogan-Fleming and Mrs Sims

Term Dates
22nd June FoFPS Summer Festival 1 - 4 pm
28th June Geckos (R) and Monkeys (1) Hever Castle
11th July Year 5/6 Production
12th July Year 5/6 Production
16th July Sports Day
17th July Sports Day - Provisional Reserve Date
17th July Year 6 Leavers Party 5 - 7 pm
19th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9 am
19th July End of Term

Save the (new) date!

Please note that we have made the decision to move the production of Olivia to Thursday 11th and Friday 12th July in case (or maybe even hopefully) there is a clash with a home-nation semi-final at Euro 2024.

Maths Information Evening

Thank you to everyone who was able to make it into school on Wednesday for our maths information evening. It was fantastic to see such a big turn-out in the hall- we had to put extra seats out! For those unable to make it, copies of the slides were sent home yesterday and a recording of the whole-school element of the evening is being sent home today. If you have any questions, especially about the new 'Number Sense' initiative in Key Stage 2, please do come and see Mrs Sims or Miss Richardson.



On Monday 17th June, Year 5 were visited by Catherine from the Chocolate Museum in London. We looked at the history of chocolate (linked to our Ancient Mayan topic) and different methods of how to make this scrumptious treat. After looking at a variety of different flavours and textures, we finally concluded by making our own truffles with sprinkles and white chocolate shavings.

By Tom and Alisha.



We hope to see you all at the Summer Festival tomorrow: 1pm - 4pm on the school playing field. Entrance is through the school car park. We have planned many attractions – from face painting to a DJ who will play all the hits so you can all get up and dance!

Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. We will send an email out this evening via Signup with instructions so please look out for that.

Parking

Please don't park in the Village Hall car park – their spaces are for those using the hall only and please don't park in the school car park as we need to ensure there is space for emergency access should we need it.

Raffle

We have a few payments on our account for raffle tickets with no stubs that match – if you are yet to hand yours in please make sure you do by the end of the day – we need to reconcile the online payments ahead of the draw tomorrow. If you want to enter the raffle, tickets are available on the day or outside school today at pickup.

If you don't want to enter, please return your unused tickets to us either at pickup today (Friday) or at the festival tomorrow so that we can sell to others.

Tokens

We will be outside school this afternoon selling tokens in advance. You can buy them on the day but this is your opportunity to beat the queues! Tokens cost £1 each and every game is £1 for 3 goes. They can also be used on inflatables, second hand uniform, the tombola's and the bar. They will not be valid with our external stall holders.

Hope to see you all tomorrow for a lovely sunny afternoon!



Year R and 6 visited the woods while the new Year R had their taster morning; they worked together to collect materials to design some amazing animal collages and 'nature crowns.' Fab work guys!



All creatures great and (mostly) small: Max the dachshund came to visit Geckos Class had had a fab time getting ALL the cuddles! Meanwhile, Lilo the bearded dragon and Cleo the ball python met Macaws Class, who had an equally brilliant time getting to hold and stroke them.





Values Champion

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week:

- Annabelle for Creativity & Challenge - Geckos
- Lexi for Compassion - Monkeys
- Laila for Challenge - Leopards
- Rohan for Creativity & Poppy for Compassion - Pandas
- Freddie for Challenge - Toucans
- Kenzie for Challenge & Courage - Macaws
- Amira for Courage - Jaguars



Well done!

Monday 10th June – Sunday 16th June 2024

Mathletics

Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Emerald	Diamond	Epic	Legend	
Monkeys Sid I Florence V Sophia II Toucans Casper V	Leopards Joel IV Macaws Tom II	Monkeys Ollie V Macaws Oliver IV	Monkeys Lexi IV Eloise II Macaws Tyler III	Leopards Elsie II Toucans Mickey V	Leopards Martha I Pandas Hattie I Frank II Freddie III Jared III Macaws Mia II Jaguars Alex V	Monkeys Fionn III Seb I Spencer IV Leopards Audrey I Florence I Jasmine IV Jack IV Leila I Billy IV Pandas Josie II Toucans Jack II Jaguars Alex I	Monkeys Imogen III Holly IV Leopards William VII Naya IV Oscar III Pandas Darcie VII Toucans Evan VIII Bella III Florence III Macaws Alisha II	Jaguars Ayla VIII Tegan V



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Attendance

Attendance this week:	Geckos: 89%	Monkeys: 93%	Leopards: 99%	Pandas: 93%	Toucans: 89%	Macaws: 99.3%	Jaguars: 96%	Whole School: 94%
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Department
for Education

We have been asked to share the following update regarding penalty notices for non-attendance, which will replace the current Surrey guidance in the school's attendance policy and will apply from September 2024.



Whilst we as a school have been lenient regarding fines to date, because they are issued by Surrey and all monies are paid to them rather than the school, parents must be aware that the guidance makes a penalty notice possible for non-attendance as detailed below. The pressure has greatly increased on all schools to adhere to this guidance and you are therefore urged to consider the below before taking children out of school without authorisation.

Please be aware that, if children are taken 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.

'Show Domestic Abuse the Red Card' – Information from Surrey Healthy Schools

The UEFA European Football Championship 2024 in Germany began on Friday 14 June, and many people will be excited to follow the highs and lows of their team's journey over the next few weeks.

However, major football tournaments can also be a time when incidents of domestic abuse can increase or become more severe. Football does not cause domestic abuse, but research from [Warwick Business School](#) published in 2022 found that reported cases of alcohol-related domestic abuse rose by 47% on the day of an England victory at the World Cup or European Championships. The reported number of alcohol-related cases was also 18 per cent higher than average on the day after an England match. The study, published in the journal Social Science and Medicine, used 10 years' worth of crime data from West Midlands Police.

So, Healthy Surrey wants to [show domestic abuse the red card](#).



Support available

Domestic abuse can happen to anyone and affects people of all genders, ages, ethnicities, abilities and income levels. Domestic abuse is not always physical. A range of help and support is available, including general advice and confidential listening.

If you know someone who is affected by domestic abuse, please direct them to the Surrey Against Domestic Abuse helpline 01483 776822 or call the national helpline 0808 2000 247 available 24/7. In an emergency always call 999. Further information and support for people experiencing domestic abuse is available on the [Surrey Against Domestic Abuse](#) website and the [National Domestic Abuse helpline run by Refuge](#).

