




Reminders for the week beginning Monday 10th November:

	We are encouraging children and staff to come to school this week wearing odd socks in celebration of anti-bullying week (10th-14th November) . Odd socks represent that everyone is unique and wonderful.
Monday	Kestrels WW2 day
Tuesday	Rabbits to Pizza Express, Guildford Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 to Remembrance service at the war memorial
Wednesday	
Thursday	Woodlands Visit to Wisley
Friday	Meet the teacher coffee morning for all parents 8.45-9.30am

Dear Families

Welcome back. We've had a great week and we're looking forward to a busy half term, with lots of exciting activities and events planned.

Parent Teacher Meetings:

Our parents evening this week was a great success. We had a fantastic turnout and lots of constructive conversations between teachers and families. It was lovely to celebrate your children's achievements and discuss their next steps.



Kestrel Class Drama:

Kestrels have been looking at the poem 'The Highwayman' by Alfred Noyes. They have been acting out some of the dramatic events and creating soundscapes for them.

It's a very exciting and descriptive poem so here is a link to the poem if you'd like to read it.

[The Highwayman | The Poetry Foundation](#)



Badger Class Farm Visit:

Badgers had a brilliant morning at the farm this week. We were kindly offered a free morning at Worthy Earth by the Countryside Trust, which is a charity. They also gave us a donation towards the WASP bus fare, so that the trip was affordable. The farm is a working farm, and they provide organic food for lots of different restaurants.



Badgers did lots of different activities:

- pond dipping and spotting pond life
- vegetable garden tour
- picking tomatoes
- repotting kale
- feeding the chickens
- rope swing
- planting acorns



Some Badgers even had a little sleep on the way home! 💙

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

The school council will be selling poppies, wrist bands and badges today for Remembrance Day on Tuesday 11th November. They will come into classes during the school day today and also be on the playground after school on Monday.




All the money raised goes to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Children in years 1-6 will be visiting the war memorial at the church to take part in our own Remembrance service.

Messy Church Remembers ...

Clandon Churches will be thinking about Remembrance Day with their Messy Church event tomorrow afternoon. Everyone is welcome but do let them know if you plan to attend so there is enough craft and tea for everyone!



at The Clandon Churches
www.clandon-churches.org

"We will remember them"

Saturday 8 November 3.00-5.00pm
Poppy Room, West Clandon RBL

Do please come and join our wonderful Rector Barnaby and the Messy Church team as we make Poppy-related crafts and think about what Remembrance Day means to all of us. We'll also enjoy a lovely tea together (please let us know in advance of any dietary issues.) Everyone will receive a very warm welcome, so do come along, and invite your friends to join us too!

We are always happy to see spontaneous guests, but if you know you are coming along, please let Tessa know in advance so we can make sure there are crafts and food for all!

tessa@clandon-churches.org

Clandon Park Car Park:

The Hatchlands Park team, who manage the National Trust car park at Clandon House, have been in contact to say they are going to look into creating more visible signage to ensure everyone is using the correct one-way system. Our temporary signs (though looking slightly soggy) will stay in place for now.



Forest School Update:



We had hoped to be able to return to the Forest School site after half term and we're disappointed that we still cannot access it. As soon as we get the 'all clear' that the ash die back has been cleared and the site is safe, we will be able to get back there.

We are working hard to get the children back to our beautiful Forest School asap. In the meantime, Forest School will continue at school with some fantastic activities planned by Mrs Weston. Thank you for your ingenuity Mrs Weston 😊

Would you rather ... ?

The children have been introduced to our weekly "Would you rather" question in celebration assembly today. Have a chat with your child about their preferred scenario.



Would you rather have a shell for protection like a tortoise or spikes for protection like a hedgehog?



With best wishes

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Information included after the dates list:

- Guildford Families First Newsletter via this link: [November 2025](#)
- Guildford Family Centre flier for support sessions for families whose children and young people are having difficulties attending school or other education settings.
- Guildford Family Centre flier for Welcome to the World ante-natal programme run by Thriving Families
- Seren Kids Christmas holiday activities flier
- Volunteering opportunity for SEN summer camp next summer

Dates for Autumn 2025 to July 2026

New or updated events are shown in green

November	Tue 4 th	Badgers	Visiting Worthy Farm in Frensham
	Wed 5 th	Whole School	Parent Teacher Meetings
	Thu 6 th	Whole School	Flu immunisations and National Child Measurement Programme for YrR and Yr6
	Thu 6 th	Whole School	Hot chocolate and doughnut sale after school
	Mon 10 th – Fri 14 th	Whole School	Anti-bullying week – wear odd socks to school
	Mon 10 th	Kestrels	World War II day
	Tue 11 th	Rabbits	Pizza Express Visit
	Tue 11 th	Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	Remembrance service at war memorial
	Thu 13 th	Woodlands	Visiting Wisley
	Fri 14 th	All parents	Meet the teacher coffee morning 8.45–9.30am
	Mon 17 th	Kestrels	Visiting Henley Fort
	Tue 18 th	Robins	Visiting Worthy Farm in Frensham
	Fri 21 st	Whole School	Mufti day for donations to the bottle tombola
	Sat 22 nd	Whole School	Forest School Open Event 1.00–3.00pm
	Mon 24 th		Open Morning for Sept 2026 prospective parents
Fri 28 th	Whole School	PTFA Christmas Fair after school	
December	Tue 2 nd	Whole School	Pantomime visit to Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Guildford
	Wed 3 rd	Squirrels & Kestrels	Movie Night
	Fri 5 th	Whole School	Reserve date for PTFA Christmas Fair
	Thu 11 th	Woodlands	Nativity performance
	Fri 12 th	Whole School	Christmas Jumper Day, Reindeer Run and Christmas Lunch
	Wed 17 th	Squirrels & Kestrels	Carols in the Wilderness
	Thu 18 th	Woodlands	Christmas Party day
	Fri 19 th	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
January	Mon 5 th	Whole School	Back to school for first day of spring term
	Tue 27 th	Whole School	Bake sale after school: donations from Woodlands families
February	Fri 6 th	Whole School	Disco for children
	Mon 16 th –Fri 20 th	Whole School	Half term – school closed
	Mon 23 rd	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
March	Tue 10 th	Whole School	Hot chocolate and doughnut sale after school
	Fri 27 th	Whole School	Easter Bunny visiting school
	Fri 27 th	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
April	Mon 13 th	Whole School	Back to school for first day of summer term
May	Wed 6 th	Whole School	Bake sale after school with donations from Squirrels families
	Mon 25 th – Fri 29 th	Whole School	Half term – school closed
June	Fri 12 th	Whole School	Mufti day for donations to the bottle tombola
	Fri 19 th	Whole School	PTFA Summer Fair after school
	Fri 26 th	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Mon 29 th	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
July	Wed 22 nd	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm



Join us in the garden! Support sessions for families in Guildford

The Family Centre will be running a series of sessions to support parents of children and young people who are finding it difficult to attend school or another education setting.

These sessions are designed for parents and children to attend together. However, if your child prefers not to join, or has been able to attend school on the day you are very welcome to come along on your own.

There is no obligation to attend all four sessions, you can join as many as you wish.

Don't worry about bad weather — we have plenty of indoor space too!



Come and join **Sarah**, our Assistant Family Support Worker, for relaxed support sessions in our beautiful community garden

What to Expect

- Friendly, informal sessions in a welcoming environment
- Practical support and ideas to help your child re-engage with education
- A chance to connect with other parents and share experiences
- Shared experience for parents and children together (parents can come alone if more suitable for your family)

If you would like to join us please let us know so we can provide resources for everyone, call us on 01483 510570

When: Every Tuesday, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Starting: Tuesday, 4th November
(running for 4 weeks, last session is on 25th Nov)

Where: Guildford Family Centre Community Garden,
Hazel Avenue, GU1 1NR



Welcome to the World

Your future as parents and as a family. Your roots, traditions, hopes and fears

Understanding your baby and how baby's brain develops

Feeding and the practical tasks of caring for a new baby & the need to nurture ourselves

Antenatal programme

This 8 week programme is aimed at expectant parents to think about the transition to parenthood and helps to deal with challenges so you can have a calmer family life
Scan the QR code to find out more about our workshops and how they can fit around your busy life.



Seren Kids

PLAY, LEARN, THRIVE FOR ALL

Club4
FOR FRIENDS AND MENTORS

15 - 23RD
DECEMBER



Rydes Hill Prep & Normandy Village School

FREE SCHOOL MEAL PLACES
12/12/19

A Christmas camp full of excitement, Multi-sports, Panto, Letters to Santa, Disco, Esports and so much more!



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SOME EXTRA EXCITING DATES:

15th December
Gymnastics



16th December
Dance workshop & Musical Theatre



17th December
Christmas panto Screening,
& Crafts



18th December
Letters to Santa, NFL, Rugby &
making Rudolf treats



19th December
Esports & Winter Olympics



22nd December
Christmas Disco & Fancy Dress



23rd December
Santa Visit!



SEN SUMMER CAMP

Join us for an unforgettable summer adventure!

VOLUNTEER FOR OUR CAMP!



STAFF & VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

August 3-14
From 9 AM to 3 PM each day



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