



Clandon CE Primary School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Newsletter 13th February 2026

Reminders for the week beginning Monday 23 rd February:	
Monday	INSET DAY – school closed to children
Tuesday	Back to school
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Dear Families

Despite the rain, we have had a lovely start to our year. The children have been working so hard in lessons, producing beautiful and interesting work.

As always, thank you for your continued support. Don't forget that Monday 23rd February is an INSET DAY and **we will welcome back the children at 8.45am on Tuesday 24th February.**

In our assemblies this year, we have been learning about different composers and musicians. Here are some of the ones we have been looking at:

Edvard Greig	The Beatles	Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky	Maggie Rogers	Eric Clapton	Gioachino Rossini
					

Please ask your children to see if they remember any of them. Maybe you could listen to their music this half term?



Pancakes:

With pancake day being next week, all the children got the opportunity to make pancakes over the campfire at Forest School.

Fabulous Work:

Squirrels have been exploring printing techniques in Art, linking their learning to their exciting Volcanoes and Rocks topic. The children have been designing and creating their own prints inspired by erupting volcanoes and fascinating fossils. They have had great fun experimenting with different materials, textures, and patterns to bring their ideas to life. It has been wonderful to see their creativity shine while developing new artistic skills. Bravo, Squirrels.



Kestrels have been reading the book 'Darwin's Dragons' by Lindsay Galvin. They have thought carefully about what their own dragon would look like: don't they look magical! Kestrels have also been learning about Evolution and Adaptation. They took part in experiments this week to explore how finches' beaks adapted to what food was available to them and also how fossils are created.



Woodlands have been busy this half term learning all about the United Kingdom. Children have been writing about all the facts they have learnt and have made some beautiful printing based on the four flowers of the UK.

Well done to the children in Badgers and Rabbits classes who took part in Sportshall athletics at Guildford Spectrum this week. They all tried so hard and should be proud of what they have achieved.

An Invitation from Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS):

Dear Parents and Carers

Does your child mask at school?

We'd like to let you know about an upcoming **online session on masking**, created especially for parents and carers from schools that have taken part in the **PINS programme with Family Voice Surrey**.

During our visits to PINS schools, many of you have shared your experiences and concerns with us. One topic that continues to come up is **masking**, and we have listened.

Parents and carers from PINS schools are warmly invited to join this masking session, led by:

- **Jane Gupta**, Service Manager for the All Age Autism Strategy at Surrey County Council
- **Leanne Henderson**, Voice & Participation Lead at Family Voice Surrey

Leanne will share insights from her **lived experience of masking**, along with practical ideas for supporting children and young people who mask and ways to work collaboratively with schools.

Jane will explain what should happen if you have concerns about your child masking, the types of support that may be available, and how masking fits within the current and ongoing work of the **All Age Autism Strategy**.

Event details:

 **Date:** 10 March

 **Time:** 12:30pm – 2:00pm

 **Location:** Online via Zoom (registration required)

 **To sign up for the event, please click here:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1982506976735?aff=oddtcreator>

We kindly ask that this link is not shared, as this is a ticketed event intended specifically for parents and carers from PINS schools. Thank you for your understanding.

Both Leanne and Jane have extensive experience delivering training on masking to parents and schools and are very much looking forward to meeting you. There will be opportunities to ask questions during the session, and if you have any specific questions you'd like addressed, please feel free to share these in advance by emailing PINS@familyvoicesurrey.org.

Kind regards,

Family Voice Surrey

PTFA News:

The next PTFA meeting is going to be on Tuesday 3 March, 7.00–8.00pm at Clandon School. The PTFA will be focusing on external fundraising opportunities. Light refreshments will be provided and all parents are welcome.

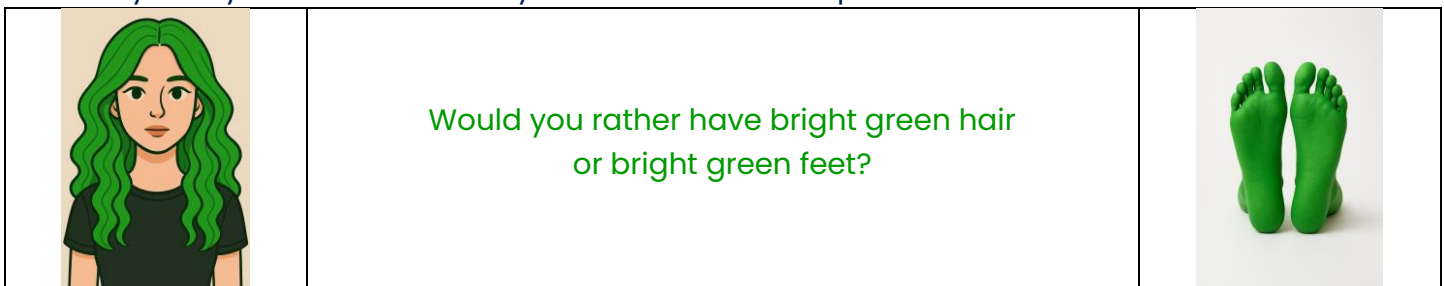
Quiz Night at the British Legion:

Bookings are open for quiz night organised by the PTFA to raise funds for school.



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.



With best wishes

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Find out what's going on over half term at [Haslemere Museum](#)

Information after the dates list:

- Seren Kids Half term club flier
- Garden Explorers Easter holiday club flier
- Woking Swim Club new member trials
- Active Surrey healthy weight advice
- Surrey Arts Music Ensemble flier
- Guildford Seed Bank seed swap flier
- Multi-Sports summer sports flier

Dates for January to July 2026

New or updated events are shown in green

February	Mon 2 nd	Year 5	Fire Safety talk from Fire Service
	Wed 4 th	Whole School	Family Voice Parent Carer Meeting (PINS) at Clandon
	Fri 6 th	Whole School	Disco for children (PTFA)
	Tue 10 th	Rabbits	Sportshall Athletics at Guildford Spectrum (afternoon)
	Wed 11 th	Badgers	Sportshall Athletics at Guildford Spectrum (afternoon)
	Mon 16 th –Fri 20 th	Whole School	Half term - school closed
	Mon 23 rd	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
March	Mon 2 nd	Whole School	World Book Day
	Tue 3 rd	Robins	Sportshall Athletics at Guildford Spectrum (afternoon)
	Tue 3 rd	All parents	PTFA Meeting at school 7.00–8.00pm
	Wed 4 th	Squirrels	Sportshall Athletics at Guildford Spectrum (afternoon)
	Tue 10 th	Whole School	Hot chocolate and doughnut sale after school
	Wed 11 th	Whole School	Parent Teacher Meetings from 1.00pm
	Mon 16 th	Key Stage 2	Primary Music Festival
	Tue 17 th		Full Governing Body Meeting 7.00pm
	Fri 20 th		SEND Parents' meetings for families wishing to access SEND support in further detail with our Federation SENDCOs
	Mon 23 rd	Whole School	Easter bonnet making
	Mon 23 rd	Whole School	Easter Service at church 2.30pm
	Fri 27 th	Whole School	Easter egg hunt/trail 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: Squirrel families' donations
	Wed 13 th	Woodlands	Brooklands Museum trip
	Mon 11 th –Fri 15 th	Year 6	SATs week
	Wed 20 th –Fri 22 nd	Kestrels	Bentley Copse residential
	Mon 25 th –Fri 29 th	Whole School	Half term - school closed
June	Tue 2 nd	Years 4 and 5	World Games Day at Christ's College
	Fri 12 th	Whole School	Mufti day for donations to the bottle tombola
	Wed 17 th	Year 6	Leavers' Service at Guildford Cathedral
	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	Tue 14 th		Full Governing Body meeting 7.00pm
	Wed 22 nd	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm

Seren Kids

SEREN KIDS

HALF TERM BREAK!

Ofsted Registered

£45 per day or discounted price of £225 full week.
 Sibling discounts available!
 At Rydes Hill Preparatory School
 From Ages 4 - 12 years
 16th - 20th Feb 2026

Click for location info!

"My daughter loves going to Seren, she always comes home happy. We have tried a few holiday camps and she hasn't liked any as much as Seren."

BOOK NOW

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Info@SerenKids.com www.SerenKids.com

Garden Explorers

A nature based holiday club

Inspiring curiosity, creativity, and a love of nature

Easter Holiday Club

Ages: 6-11 years

Monday 30th March
 Thursday 9th & Friday 10th April

Time: 9am - 3.15pm
 Venue: The Therapy Garden, Normandy near Guildford, GU3 2DT
 Price: £40 per day (sibling discount rates available)
 Run by qualified, DBS checked nature lovers

Join us in our secure garden for exploring, crafting, bug hunting, planting, den building.. and so much more

"I loved being outside, getting dirty and finding all the bugs hidden in the gardens"

"The best bit was making and taking home our bird feeders"

Book now
www.thetherapygarden.org
 admin@thetherapygarden.org
 01483 813846



NEW MEMBER TRIALS

WOKING SWIMMING CLUB

For children born between January 2017 and August 2020 who are interested in competitive swimming

2020 born must be able to swim basic front crawl and backstroke. 2017 born must be able to swim good front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke.

WHEN: Tuesday 24 February 2026 from 5.30pm
 WHERE: Pool in the Park, Woking

REQUEST A TIME SLOT
 Or email Christine: wokingsc.newmembers@gmail.com



A helping hand for a healthier family

Do you need help to achieve a healthy weight for your child or teenager?

Be Your Best is a funded healthy lifestyle programme for Surrey families with children & teenagers aged 5-17 years, who are above the healthy weight range. We can help you make a positive difference to your child or teenager's health & wellbeing.

The programme is made up of one-to-one and group sessions:

<p>Sessions include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Live cooking workshop Meal planning for the whole family Easy food swaps Managing screen time How to become an active family Importance of sleep 	<p>One-to-one sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> With a health & wellbeing advisor at a mutually agreed time & location Online group sessions for parents/carers Week days after school via Zoom Online physical activity sessions Group sessions via zoom or on-demand video content
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"Me and my boys are really enjoying this programme and we are so grateful to be taking part." - Mum

Find out more:



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WORLD IN MUSIC ENSEMBLE

SING. CELEBRATE. BELONG.



Christ's College Saturdays
Larch Avenue, 2.30pm - 4pm
Guildford, 7 February 2026
Surrey, 14 February 2026
GU1 1JY 28 February 2026
14 March 2026
28 March 2026



For more information please contact:
surreyartsmusic@surreycc.gov.uk



SURREY ARTS



WHAT IS THE 'WORLD IN MUSIC ENSEMBLE'?

World in Music is a pioneering percussion and vocal ensemble from Surrey Arts suitable for ages 8-16 and all abilities. Come and join young people from across Surrey to sing songs and discover new rhythms, music and friends! No experience is needed and all are welcome.

During our 'I Speak Music: Next Generation' programme, which worked with displaced young people and local Surrey peers, we saw an opportunity for young people to embrace both western and non-western music traditions.

Using music as a tool, we continue to promote greater wellbeing and mental health in young people, help them build musical skills and to build understanding and friendship between children of all cultural backgrounds.

Led by a team of diverse and innovative musical practitioners, this ensemble aims to amplify the voices of those who make it up, with percussion and vocal activities.

As an inclusive ensemble, we have been especially excited to welcome students from diverse backgrounds and those who have English as a second or other language to this group, as well as local Surrey peers. We are also particularly excited to meet young people from vulnerable backgrounds, those who are young carers and are from care experienced backgrounds.

Cost: currently free to attend*

* Please be aware this pilot ensemble is a legacy from a Youth Music funded project. At present it is offered with no cost (excluding instrument hire where relevant). Subject to confirmation, a fee will be introduced in line with other Surrey Arts Ensembles at an appropriate date. Relevant remissions apply.

Find out more:



Swap your plant seeds at Trinity Centre, just off Guildford High Street, next to Holy Trinity Church, on 1st March 2026 between 11am and 2pm

Interested in growing your own veg or flowers this year? Guildford Seed Bank is holding its fifth Seed Swap.

Entry is free to all, swapping is free or, if you have nothing to swap, contribute 50p per pack of seeds you take away. This year we will also be distributing our own local seed for the fifth time.

Bring your in-date unwanted/half-open seed packets or saved seed and swap them for something you do want.

Children and dogs are welcome.

Want to know more? Follow [Guildford Seed Bank](#) on Facebook/Instagram/Twitter or email guildfordseedbank@gmail.com

MultiSports Guildford
Weekend sports for boys and girls aged 4 - 16 of all abilities
Tel: 0844 800 9096
www.multiportsguildford.co.uk

NOW ENROLLING FOR OUR SUMMER TERM 2026 - BOOK A 2 WEEK TRIAL TODAY!

Dear Parent
As a parent of a child at a local school, MULTISPORTS GUILDFORD would like to offer you the opportunity of enrolling your child for our **SUMMER TERM starting in APRIL and our SUMMER WORKSHOP IN JULY**. All enrolments in our Summer Term include a two week trial.
Our sessions take place locally at St Peter's School, Horseshoe Lane East, Mewrow, GU1 2TN. MULTISPORTS GUILDFORD is ideal for boys and girls aged from 4 to 16 of all abilities, all equipment is provided and no experience is necessary.

Our 'Little Sporties' class is for 4 - 6 year olds. **SATURDAY MORNING CLASS TIMES 9.00am - 10.30am 10.45am - 12.15pm**

The 'Little Sporties' class is a 90 minute session run in 3 x 30 minute modules. Each week our Little Sporties are coached in a team sport, an individual sport and fun & games. This is a great opportunity to introduce your child to multiple sports in a fun and relaxed way and classes are very popular. Little Sporties is great for improving your child's hand to eye coordination and ball tracking skills.

Our 'Main School' class is for 6 - 16 year olds. **SATURDAY MORNING CLASS TIME 9.30am - 12.30pm (SPORTS LEADERS COURSES-CHILDREN AGED 12+)**

As one of our Main School students, each week your child will enjoy an hour of each of the following:
A team sport e.g. Netball, Hockey, Football, Lacrosse, Basketball, Tchoukball, Handball
An individual sport e.g. Tambourelli, Tri-Golf, Athletics, Tennis, Martial Arts
A team building challenge e.g. Chinese Dodgeball, Escape and Evasion, Minefield.
In the first year alone your child will have the opportunity to enjoy 18 exciting sports & our team building challenges that help build confidence & develop communication & leadership skills. At MultiSports the children will get to play new & diverse sports as well as the traditional games. All activities are carried out under the expert tuition of our qualified and supportive coaches and your child will work in a small group of students of similar age.
A 50% discount is available for siblings in our Main School. We look forward to welcoming you to MultiSports Guildford.

MULTISPORTS GUILDFORD SUMMER WORKSHOP 27th July - 31st July 2026- ST PETERS CATHOLIC SCHOOL
BOOK NOW for our popular Summer Workshop. Full days from 9am-4pm for 6-16 year olds and half days from 9.30am-12.30pm for 4-6 year olds. Over 18 sports in a week! Ideal for Boys and Girls of all abilities.
Early Booking Discount available before March 31st!

SUMMER TERM ENROLMENTS for APRIL ARE NOW OPEN - ALL NEW ENROLMENTS INCLUDE A 2 WEEK TRIAL!
A GREAT WAY TO TRY OUR CLASSES BEFORE COMMITTING FOR A WHOLE TERM.
ENROL ONLINE www.multiportsguildford.co.uk OR CALL INGRID ON 07973692062

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American Football	Football	Martial Arts	Speed Stacking
Archery	Gaelic Football	Netball	Tag Rugby
Athletics	Gymnastics	Rack-it-ball	Tambourelli
Badminton	Handball	Rounders	Tchoukball
Basketball	Kickball	Short Tennis	Tri Golf
Dodgeball	Keik Cricket	Stamball	Unihoc