



Clandon CE Primary School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Newsletter 11th September 2026

Reminders for the week beginning Monday 14th September

Monday	Year 5 Swimming
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	

Dear Families,

Welcome back and a special welcome to our new children and families! It has been wonderful to see all the children enjoying their learning and hear all the lovely chatter from the playground.

There has been lots of learning taking place already and in our staff meeting, teachers have been sharing all the exciting things they have planned for this school year. We cannot wait!

Please keep an eye on the newsletter and Parentmail for any dates that will be added soon, such as parent evenings, harvest festival, panto and Christmas events.

Safeguarding: Ofsted has tightened up rules around mobile phones on school premises. **Please note that mobiles phones may not be used on the school site** – this covers the playgrounds as well as in school buildings. If you need to make calls or send messages, please do so outside the school gates.



School drop off: As we start the year, we are making a few changes to help improve the safety of our school site.

For morning drop off gates will be open, as previously, from **8:45-8:55am**. At 8:55am parents will be asked to leave the playground and school buildings (unless staying for meetings) and gates will be locked. Parents should not exit school via the old school building but leave via the gates by 8.55am.

Children arriving after 8:55am should enter via the school office and, if required, they will be escorted to class by school staff. We appreciate your support with this.



Ballet lessons: Ballet lessons are returning to Clandon from Tuesday 22nd September. These will take place at lunchtime on a Tuesday and are led by Dance Platform Academy, a local dance school based in Clandon (flyer for their academy is attached at the end of the newsletter).

Lessons are free and ballet shoes are provided to the children who attend. If your child would like to attend these classes please let the school office know by **Wednesday 16th September**. (Squirrels children wanting to attend will have lunch at school and then be taken to forest school later).

Cricket is back: A Chance to Shine cricket academy is back with us this half term. Every child will have a weekly session with a Surrey Cricket coach. We thoroughly enjoyed our lessons last year and they even inspired some of the children to join cricket clubs this summer. **The lessons are on a Friday, so please remember PE kit!**

PTFA:

Our wonderful PTFA does awesome work organising fun events to raise much needed funds for our school. Come and meet the team on Tuesday 22nd September to make new friends and see how you could get involved, as much or as little as you are able.



Musician/ Composer of the week:

This week we've been listening to the songs of the legendary Dolly Parton. We learnt about the charity she started to ensure all children were given access to a book. Everyone was amazed that Dolly was one of 12 children in her family. We watched videos of Dolly playing the guitar with her long nails and some of the children recognised her songs. Maybe have a listen to some Dolly Parton songs this weekend?



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 pet dragon or be a dragon?	
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With best wishes

Tom Dell and Hannah Dawe

Executive Headteacher and Head of School

The Newlands Federation

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Information after the dates list:

- Table tennis taster session
- Volleyball taster session
- Mini Meadows flyer
- Multisports
- Dance Platform Academy
- Guildford Fringe Event for children
- Masking awareness workshop
- Junior Elysian Farmers
- Healthy Eating October half term club
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Dates for September 2026 to July 2027

New or updated events are shown in green

September	Tue 1 st	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Wed 2 nd	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Wed 2 nd	New Reception	Settling in visits 2.30–3.30pm
	Thu 3 rd	Whole School	Back to school for first day of autumn term
	Thu 3 rd	New Reception	Settling in visits 10.00–11.00am
	Fri 4 th	New Reception	Settling in visits and lunch 9.00am–12.00pm
	Mon 7 th	New Reception	Starting school
	Mon 14 th	Year 5	Swimming
	Mon 21 st	Year 5	Swimming
	Tue 22 nd	All parents	PTFA meeting 7pm all parents invited
	Thu 24 th	Year 3	Feet First Walking Training
	Mon 28 th	Year 5	Swimming
Oct	Mon 5 th	Year 5	Swimming
	Tue 6 th	Kestrels	Winchester Science Centre trip
	Mon 19 th – Fri 30 th	Half term	
Dec	Fri 18 th	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
Jan	Mon 4 th	Whole School	Back to school for first day of spring term
Feb	Fri 12 th	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th	Whole School	Half term
Mar	Fri 25 th	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm
April	Mon 12 th	Whole School	Back to school for first day of summer term
May	Fri 28 th	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
	Mon 31 st – Fri 4 th	Whole School	Half term
June	Mon 7 th	Whole School	Inset day – school closed to children
July	Wed 28 th	Whole School	Last day of term – school closes at 1.30pm

Would you like to try table tennis?
Free taster session for all
by Guildford Table Tennis Association

Christ's College, Larch Avenue, Guildford, GU1 1JY

Saturday 12th September 2026 from 2PM to 5PM



Beginners welcome.

Wear comfortable sports clothes, trainers and bring a water bottle.
Bats and balls provided. Stay for as long as you want!

Come down to practice, play and have fun!



If you have any questions, please email Adam at the below email address.

adamlaws80@gmail.com

Website: <https://guildford.ttleagues.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/GuildfordTableTennis>



Guildford Fringe Event for young children

'The Smallest Sardine of the Seven Seas'
Have you seen a pirate? She has a tale to tell!

An original mini musical for young children, but plenty of fun for the whole family. Join us on an adventure to help a small fish find her confidence. Meet a piano playing crab, help the pirate find her gold and celebrate the things that make us unique!

Children's tickets £8! Book here:
<https://guildfordfringefestival.com/events/the-smallest-sardine-of-the-seven-seas/>

Saturday 19th September, 2pm
Stoke Pub Function Room, GU1 4JN



VbDC **FREE** taster session

Try something new.
Play volleyball.

FREE VOLLEYBALL TASTER SESSION

New Kids on the Court – Ages 8–14

Starting Saturday 19th September 2026

Sessions are specifically designed for **complete beginners**, so children don't need any previous volleyball experience. Children will be introduced to the basic skills of volleyball through engaging activities and games, helping build confidence, coordination and teamwork.

Who is it for? The programme is ideal for children who:

- Are looking to try a new and alternative sport
- Enjoy team sports
- May never have picked up a volleyball before
- Would like to develop their skills in a fun and supportive environment

To register your child for one FREE taster session, email: vbdc.volley@gmail.com

Places are limited, so get in touch as soon as possible.

Masking Awareness

FREE



FREE

Free online talk for parents
24 September 7pm - 8pm

Book online
facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Parent - Live Talks page



Hosted by Pond Meadow Staff & Waverley Family Centre

AUTUMN TERM DATES 2026

10.00-11.30 WEDNESDAYS TERM TIME

9TH SEPTEMBER 2026
7TH OCTOBER 2026
4TH NOVEMBER 2026
2ND DECEMBER 2026

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JEF

JUNIOR ELYSIAN FARMERS

More than a club.
A childhood worth investing in.



Junior Elysian Farmers (JEF)
is a brand-new membership community for children aged 6-12 who love animals, nature and the great outdoors.

Through hands-on experiences, practical skills and countryside adventures, children build confidence, friendships and a sense of responsibility – while becoming part of our welcoming farm community.

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ANIMALS
Care for horses and farm animals. |
NATURE
Explore, discover and respect the natural world. |
SKILLS
Learn practical countryside skills for life. |
FRIENDSHIPS
Make memories and build lasting friendships. |
ACHIEVEMENTS
Earn badges and celebrate your progress. |
COMMUNITY
Be part of a kind, inclusive and welcoming community. |
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Weekly clubs, holiday activities, family events, camping weekends, seasonal celebrations, awards and so much more.
A year of adventure. A lifetime of memories.

ELYSIAN EVENTS
elysianuk.events | events@elysianuk.org | Westland Farm, Lordshill Road, Shamley Green, Surrey, GU5 0TL

JEF

JUNIOR ELYSIAN FARMERS

A childhood outdoors, connected and full of possibility.

JEF is a membership community where children experience the best of farm life, nature and practical learning – in a safe, nurturing and fun environment.

Here, they're encouraged to explore, learn, create and grow.



AS A JEF MEMBER, YOUR CHILD WILL...

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CONNECT WITH ANIMALS
Develop confidence and responsibility through animal care and interaction. |
EXPLORE NATURE
Discover wildlife, the seasons and the wonder of the natural world around us. |
LEARN PRACTICAL SKILLS
From grooming and growing to maintenance and teamwork. |
MAKE FRIENDS
Build lasting friendships in a supportive, kind and inclusive environment. |
EARN BADGES & RECOGNITION
Celebrate achievements and take pride in learning new things. |
BE PART OF SOMETHING SPECIAL
Join a welcoming community and create memories that last. |
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WHAT'S INCLUDED?

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WEEKLY CLUBS
After-school and weekend sessions during term time, full of hands-on activities. |
BADGES & AWARDS
A unique JEF awards programme to celebrate growth, effort and contribution. |
WHY PARENTS LOVE JEF
✓ Real-life experiences that build confidence and resilience.
✓ Screens down, fresh air up!
✓ A safe, well-supervised environment with experienced staff.
✓ Encourages responsibility, kindness and teamwork.
✓ Memories and friendships that last a lifetime. |
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HOLIDAY FUN
Exciting holiday activities throughout the year. |
MEMBER BENEFITS
Priority booking, exclusive discounts on Elysian activities and access to special offers. | |
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FAMILY & COMMUNITY DAYS
Free members' days each half term and special family events. |
JEF MERCHANDISE
Branded clothing and goodies to feel part of the JEF community. | |
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CAMPING ADVENTURES
Members-only camping weekends and outdoor experiences. | | |

Ready to join us?

Scan the QR code to visit our website, explore membership options and book upcoming sessions.



Founding Members

Families joining during our launch period will become our Founding Members and enjoy exclusive launch benefits as our community grows and develops.

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NOW ENROLLING FOR OUR AUTUMN 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 AUTUMN TERM starting in SEPTEMBER. All enrolments in our Autumn Term include a two week trial.

Our sessions take place locally at St Peter's School, Horseshoe Lane East, Merrow, GU1 2TN. MULTISPORTS GUILDFORD is ideal for boys and girls aged 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. Tambourine, 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.

We are Ofsted registered and accept childcare vouchers

AUTUMN TERM ENROLMENTS 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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Unihoc
Volleyball

NEW OCTOBER HALF-TERM CLUB

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR YOUR CHILD THIS OCTOBER?

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