



Welcome to The Infant Informative



Friday 18th October 2024

Issue 07

****IMPORTANT INFORMATION**** - During the half term break, our school will be undergoing IT updates that will affect our systems. All members of staff, including the office, teachers and senior leadership will NOT have access to our emails. Therefore, any correspondence between parents and the school should be done before we break up on Thursday 24th October. Staff will have access to their emails from Monday 4th November (INSET Day, school closed to children) and will reply as soon as we can.

On our last day of this half term (Thursday 24th October) all children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 will take part in our outdoor learning day. We have sent you further information via ParentMail. The children should come to school dressed in their PE kit (Year 2 will have PE as usual in the afternoon) or other suitable outdoor clothing. Wellies are optional, but a pair of shoes or trainers that are ok getting muddy would be a good idea.

Can you help? Nursery are trying to source some chopsticks, if you have some that we could have, please drop them to nursery or the office. Also, a member of our staff has a huge training tyre at home that we would love to have at school - do any parents have access to a vehicle that would allow us to pick it up? If yes, please let us know via the office.

Golden Acorn awards now further down within this newsletter, now including Reception children!!

Finally, schools in England as part of our curriculum should learn about British Values. These values are: democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect, tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs. We teach aspects of these in lessons and assemblies. Please spend time at home talking through these values and what they mean to us.

Have a great weekend, I look forward to our final busy week ahead. Mr O'Shea

A message from our Assistant Headteacher Miss Saunders

This week's recommended read is *The Usborne Book of the Moon* by Laura Cowen. If you have looked outside your window after dark this week you may have been lucky enough to experience the supermoon. The moon has been exceptionally big and bright due to its close proximity to the earth. This book explains all of that and more and is a fascinating read!



This week I am including some information on what to do when your child has trouble sleeping. This is a challenge that comes and goes, for various reasons, when parenting young children so it is always useful to have different strategies available to cope with it as it can have such a huge impact on the mood and concentration of the children and adults involved.

Place2Be: Parenting Smart: [My child has trouble going to sleep](#)

DIARY DATES

- Usborne Book Fair - 23rd Oct @ afternoon in school
- Whole School Outdoor Learning Day - 24th Oct
- **End of Autumn 1 Term - 24th Oct @ 15:00**
- **INSET day (school closed for children) - 4th Nov**
- **Children return to school for Autumn 2 term - 5th Nov**
- Odd Socks Day - 12th Nov
- Parents' Evening - 19th Nov @ 16:30 - 19:30
- Parents' Evening - 21st Nov @ 15:30 - 18:00
- PTA Hot Chocolate & Cookie sale - 22nd Nov @ 15:00

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This week in early years, we have...

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This week we have been celebrating all things autumn! We have loved colour mixing to make different autumnal shades of orange and brown, then we have used these colours to create autumn tree artwork. We have enjoyed spending lots of time outside and we collected beautiful leaves to stick onto our autumn frame. For our maths learning, we had a go at ordering leaves from biggest to smallest - we did great at this!

See if you can order your toys at home in size order.

We are in need of toilet rolls, kitchen roll tubes and chopsticks – please send in any you have next week.



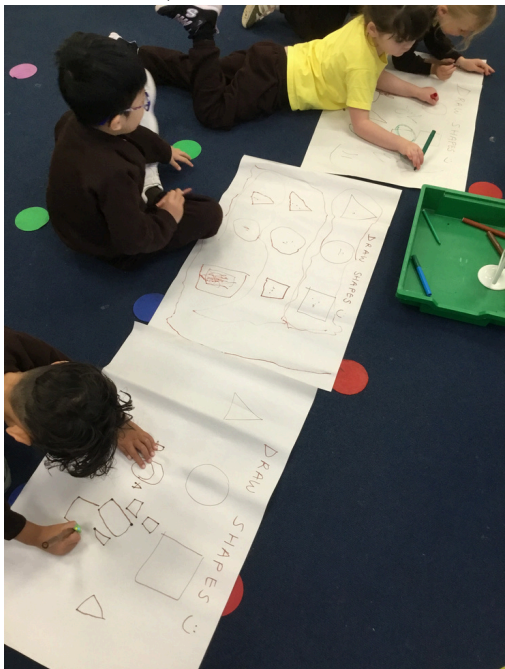
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This week our story has been **'The Little Acorn'**, following the life cycle of an oak tree. We have discussed different life cycles, been on a hunt for acorns, sketched different trees and completed more autumn crafts.

In our phonics this week the children have been reviewing the sounds we have learnt so far. We have been so impressed with how they are picking up all the new sounds and starting to blend words.

In maths we have been looking at one more and one less using various resources, then moving onto circles and triangles at the end of the week.

During PSHE this week, the children have been discussing different feelings and what they can do if they feel sad, the children came up with some wonderful ideas.



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This week in KS1 we have...

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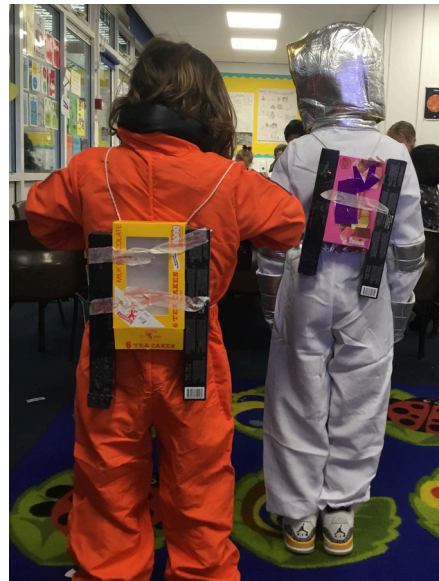
With just one week left before half term, you would have thought things may have slowed down in Year 1 - but that would just be silly wouldn't it?!

The week began with "Space Day" which was a fabulous celebration of our learning in Year 1 so far. The children looked fabulous in their costumes and had the most wonderful day creating junk model rockets and jet packs, planets, stick aliens and beautiful galaxy pieces of art. To top things off they even made their own sparkling space biscuits. It really was out of this world!

In English we began to innovate with our space stories this week, coming up with a new main character and a new setting for them to visit. Ideas ranged from pigs visiting mud planets, to little birds visiting a planet covered only in trees. Next week we will use our plans to help us write our own space adventure.

During maths we have been focussing on using a part, part, whole model to help us find a total. We have realised that it doesn't matter which order we add the 2 parts together because they will always make the same whole number. With this knowledge firmly embedded we have then moved onto simple addition, looking at how we can switch numbers around in our number sentences but still making the same total.

In our foundation subject learning this week we have been exploring the differences between human and physical features in geography, in art we have been developing our sketching skills by creating self-portraits, whilst in PSHE we have been thinking about what makes a good friend. Have a happy and restful weekend. The Year 1 Team



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What an exciting week we have had! The children had an amazing time on castle day and looked fantastic in their castle themed costumes. The children were excited to learn medieval games and dances as well as practising the art of calligraphy. They loved going to jester school and had a fun time developing their juggling skills. In English, we have been working on using questions and coordinating conjunctions. In maths the children have been focussing on addition. We have been practising adding two 2 digit numbers and problem solving. In science we have been learning about the importance of exercise and had a great time investigating the effects of exercise. In D.T. we added door with a hinge and a drawbridge with a winding mechanism to our castles. In P.E. we were linking travelling actions and balances using apparatus.



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Nurture Hub & Golden Acorns

This Week at the Nurture Hub: Embracing the Halloween Spirit! 🎃

This week, we continued to celebrate the festive Halloween spirit at the Nurture Hub with a range of exciting activities:

- **Apple Printing:** The children had a fantastic time using apples to create fun pumpkin prints, exploring colours and shapes in a hands-on and creative way.
 - **Spooky Witch Wreaths and Puppets:** Our craft session featured spooky witch wreaths, allowing the kids to express their creativity while getting into the Halloween spirit.
 - **Social Skills Development:** We also focused on the concept of "taking turns." During our engaging "Name Game," children practiced greeting each other with eye contact, taking turns to speak, and asking and answering questions appropriately. This activity helped enhance their social interaction and communication skills.
 - **Messy Sensory Play:** Our sensory play session was a wonderful success! The children enjoyed getting messy with shaving foam and flour, providing them with a fun and immersive exploration of different textures.
- It was a joyful week filled with creativity, learning, and plenty of laughter! We look forward to continuing our festive celebrations and sharing more exciting activities in the days ahead.



GOLDEN LEAVES

Class name	Child's name	Comment
Diamond	Charlotte	For amazing focus during whole class carpet sessions, especially in phonics.
Ruby	Alexia	For being so kind with new friends.
Topaz	Raees	For being a fabulous, independent learner.
Amethyst	Fatimah	For trying so hard with her learning.
Emerald	Mirha	For always working hard and following instructions perfectly.
Sapphire	Lottie	For always demonstrating our school values while going above and beyond in her learning.

OVERALL WINNING CLASS:

DIAMOND



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PTA

We have lot's of fundraising happening over the next few weeks and just wanted to make you aware of the following;

Halloween colouring competition - entries in by 22nd October

Your child should have a Halloween colouring/poem writing competition sheet in their book bag this week. They have a pumpkin to decorate or space to write a spooky poem or do both. There is a £1 entry fee. Entries can be posted into the PTA mailbox (found opposite Topaz class) by Tuesday 22nd October. There will be a winner from Early years and one from KS1, the winners will be announced in next week's Infant Informer.

Christmas Fair - tickets available now 30th November

Tickets are now available to book on the portal for our first Christmas Fair www.pta-events.co.uk/cris

CRIS PTA

CRIS PTA is a registered Charity, made up of the parents and teachers at Crawley Ridge Infants, to both raise money for buying new resources for the school, and provide a support network for parents.

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The fair takes place on the 30th November 10:30-12:30 with games, crafts, refreshments and a raffle.

Many thanks for your support.



Our clubs

School Club Timetable - Autumn Term 2024

We are delighted to be able to share with you our autumn term timetable for school clubs.

Old favourites Playball, Boogie Pumps, Bilingua Sing, Hotsteppers, Genie Lab and Ultimate Coaching are back and our new Judo club is already proving popular.

Jam Coding and Young Magicians have cancelled their sessions for this first half term due to lower numbers, but hope to return after half term if there is sufficient interest.

We are continually looking at our after school club provision and feel this timetable offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities to your children and hope that many of you will take up places.

Bookings are currently live for all clubs and can be made by contacting them directly. The flyers have been uploaded in the [Clubs](#) section of our school website.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Playball Year 1 & 2 3pm - 3.45pm	Young Magicians - Postponed Year 1 & 2 8am - 8.45am	Ultimate Coaching Year R Mini Kickers 3pm - 4.00pm	Ultimate Coaching Year 1 & 2 Football 3pm - 4.15pm
Jam Coding - Postponed Year 1 & 2 3.05pm - 4.00pm	Judo Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Bilingua Sing Year 1 & 2 12.30pm - 1.00pm	Boogie Pumps Drama Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm	Genie Lab Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4pm
		Hotsteppers Dance Year 1 & 2 3pm - 4.00pm		
		Playball Year 1 3pm - 3.45pm		



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You might be interested in...

No internet?

If you don't have internet access at home, why not visit your local library? Just call **03456 009 009** to book a computer and you can use the internet for free.

To request a paper application form or for all other enquiries, you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

surreycc.gov.uk/admissions



How do I apply?

- The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online. Visit surreycc.gov.uk/admissions to access the application form and more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools. It is important that you consider this information carefully when you make your application.
- You can start your online application any time from 04 November 2024 but you must have completed it by **15 January 2025**.
- You can download the app **ParentComms** to your mobile device to receive notifications about your application.
- Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email.
- On **16 April 2025** you will receive an email with the outcome of your application and, if you have registered for **ParentComms**, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.
- You will need to accept or decline your offer of a school place online by **30 April 2025**.

Important dates

4 November 2024

You can apply online for a school place.

15 January 2025

Closing date for primary applications but we welcome early applications.

16 April 2025

Primary outcomes will be sent by post or email. If you applied online, you will receive an email in the evening with the outcome and you can also view your school offer online. If you registered for **ParentComms**, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.

By 30 April 2025

You must confirm whether you wish to accept or decline the place you have been offered.

By 20 May 2025

If you wish to appeal for a community or voluntary controlled school listed on your form, you should submit it by this date so that it can be heard by 22 July 2025. Other schools may have different appeal deadlines.

Is your child starting school in September 2025?

If your child was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021 you will need to apply for a school place between **4 November 2024** and **15 January 2025**.

Is your child in year 2?

If your child attends an infant school you will need to apply for a place at a junior school or a primary school with a year 3 intake.

Apply online
between
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and **15 January 2025**



What else do I need to know?

- You should contact schools directly if you'd like to arrange a visit.
- You can name up to four schools on your application form, in the order that you prefer them. Where possible the local authority will allocate a place at one of these schools.
- Schools will not know where you have ranked them on the application form so the order of your preferences does not disadvantage you.
- The local authority has a duty to provide a place for your child but it does not have to be at one of your preferred schools.
- If your child is attending a nursery attached to a school, you must still apply for a reception place as there is no automatic transfer.
- If your child is leaving year 2 of an infant school, you can only apply for schools which have an intake at year 3.
- If you have an older child already at the school, you must still apply for a younger child.
- If you have more than one child applying for a school place, you must make a separate application for each of them.
- If you live in Surrey you must apply to Surrey, even if the schools you list are outside Surrey.
- Some schools may need you to submit a supplementary information form in addition to the application form. Find out more about supplementary information forms at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.
- If you are registered for council tax you must supply the name of the borough or district and the council tax account number for the property where your child normally lives. Otherwise you will be asked to provide evidence of where your child lives.
- When applying online you must make sure that you press 'submit' at the end of your application and that you receive a confirmation email which sets out your preferences and confirms your application reference number.
- If you do not receive a confirmation email you should check your application to ensure its status has been changed to 'submitted'.
- If you write to us or submit information to support an application, remember to include your child's name, date of birth and application reference number (if you applied online).
- If your child has an education, health and care plan, there is a separate process and you will receive more information from your child's SEND Case Officer.



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LONDON
SW1A 0AA

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Skills building and loads of football fun for girls & boys aged 4-12 years old

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- ✓ Daily team matches
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- ✓ 360 World Cup
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28th Oct - 1st Nov

Ravenscote Junior School
Camberley, GU16 9RE

Standard Day 9:30am - 4:30pm £33	Extended Day 8:15am - 5:45pm £39	Full Week Special Standard: £132 Extended: £156
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