



Welcome to The Infant Informative



Friday 15th November 2024

Issue 10

****KINDNESS WEEK**** What a wonderful week the children and staff have had, spreading extra kindness throughout the school. Children showing kindness during the week may have received a 'sparkler' certificate, many have been handed out! We held an assembly at the start of the week, gathering ideas of what we might do this week to show how kind we are. This afternoon, all of the children took part in a kindness afternoon, completing related activities and spreading positivity far and wide.

****RESPECT FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS**** I was saddened this week when I was contacted by a local resident around our children's behaviour to and from school. I have had reports of children walking on low-level brick walls, kicking walls and kicking bins outside people's homes. It goes without saying that these behaviours are unacceptable and parents should ensure their children do not behave in this way outside of school.

****LOST ITEMS**** We have had several items of school uniform go missing since we returned for this half-term. These items are labelled with children's names, but have not been handed in to the office, a class teacher or found their way to our lost property box, which is next to the PTA postbox outside Topaz class. Uniform can be expensive, so every effort should be made to return items back to their rightful owner. Please check all uniform items at home and if they are labelled with another child's name, please return to their class or the school office.

****COFFEE MORNING**** Nadine, our Family Support Worker will be here on Tuesday 26th November for a coffee morning. It is an opportunity for parents to drop in for a cup of coffee and to have a chat on a range of issues from advice for families with neurodiverse and neurotypical children, behaviour issues, dealing with meltdowns, refusing to go to school, friendship issues, diet, attendance or withdrawn children. Other issues which can be discussed include separated families, abuse, cultural differences, death in families, school gate drama and families on low income in need of furniture, food or help with bills. Please join Nadine in the Learning Hub between Emerald and Ruby class from 08:30 am on this day.

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

I wish you a wonderful weekend with your families. We look forward to another busy week next week, including having parents into school for parents' evening. Mr O'Shea

A message from our Assistant Headteacher Miss Saunders

What you see when you look at a tree by Emma Carlisle has been a very popular choice in my house recently. It follows the life of trees through all seasons and can be used to generate meaningful discussions about the purpose of trees, which aren't just environmental! As always it is also beautifully illustrated as well.

It is so easy as parents, especially at this time of year, to feel like you need to be everything to everyone and this can be draining. This article is a beautiful reminder of the importance of looking after ourselves as we journey through the highs and lows of parenthood. Enjoy with a cuppa!



[Place2Be: Parenting Smart. Healthy habits for parenting.](https://www.place2be.co.uk)

DIARY DATES

- Parents' Evening - 19th Nov @ 16:30 - 19:30
- Parents' Evening - 21st Nov @ 15:30 - 18:00
- **Tissues 4 Trainers - 22nd Nov**
- PTA Hot Chocolate & Cookie sale - 22nd Nov @ 15:00
- **FSW Coffee Morning - 26th Nov @ 08:30 - 09:15**
- School Tour 7 & 8 - 27th Nov @ 11:00 & 13:30
- CRI Xmas Fair - 30th @ 10:30 - 12:30
- School Tour 9 & 10 - 3rd Dec @ 11:00 & 13:30
- Year 1 & 2 PTA School Disco - 6th Dec, more information to follow
- **Reception Christmas Play - 10th Dec @ 09:00**

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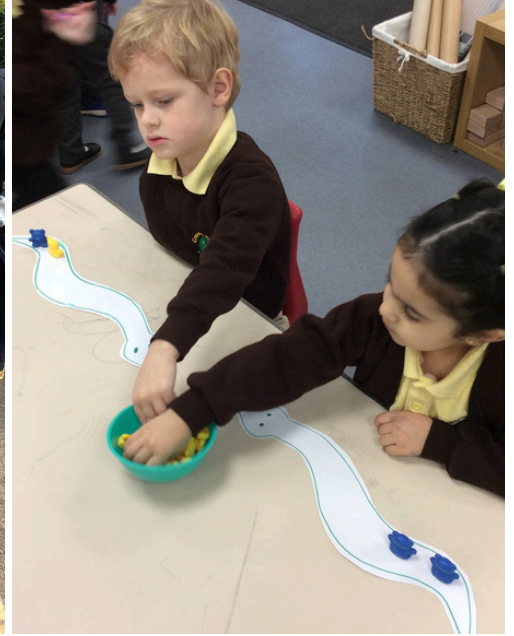


This week in early years, we have...

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This week, we have loved reading **Monkey Puzzle** and enjoyed all things jungle related. We have painted our own butterflies, made jungle animal masks and enjoyed trying to balance toy animals on our 'flour-castles'. We have matched baby animals to their mummies and looked at our own baby photos to see how we change as we grow up. For our maths learning, we have continued repeating patterns to make colourful snakes. See if you can make a repeating pattern at home with your toys!

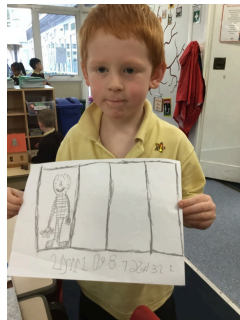
Next week we will be reading **The Tiger Who Came To Tea**. We look forward to seeing you all at our Stay and Play sessions.



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We have loved our story of the week - **Funny Bones**. We have learnt about different body parts, put skeletons back together and had our own doctors surgery. The children have completed some brilliant writing around the main characters. In our phonics we have learnt the new sounds j, v, w, x - we have found the 'j' in real jelly, learnt about volcanoes, wiggled wool on the webs, wiggled hoops around our waist, found wiggly worms and made our own x rays and found a big x in the playground. In maths we have been looking at the composition of the numbers 4 and 5. We have matched numbers to pictures of objects and found our own amounts of objects.

This week we started 'Drawing Club'. This lesson aims to ignite children's imagination through new learnt language and the freedom of expressing themselves through drawing. Each child was so excited to join Drawing Club and they have come up with some wonderful ideas around our story of the week.



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This week in KS1 we have...

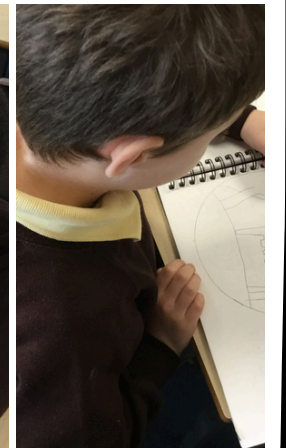
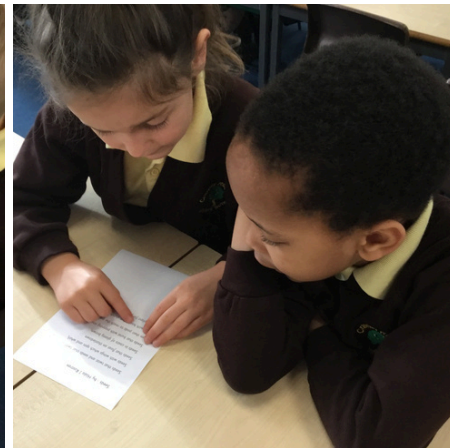
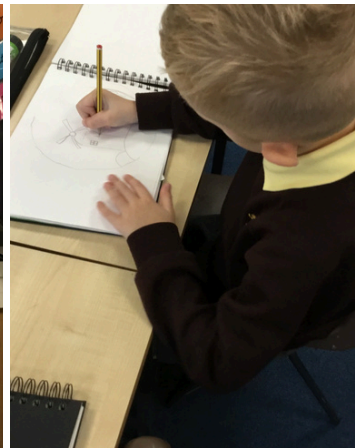
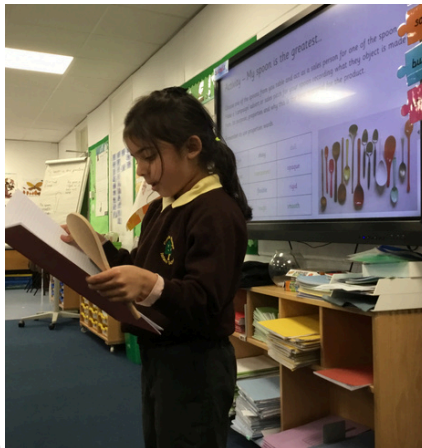
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Our week began with a Remembrance Assembly in the hall for the whole school where the children found out a little about the significance of wearing a poppy and also why it is important to remember those who gave their lives to make our world a better place. In English we have begun our Toy learning in earnest, using the story **"Traction Man Is Here!"** by Mini Grey as the stimulus for our writing. We have been getting to know the story better this week by reading the story, sequencing the main events from the book using pictures and by creating our own story maps of the story, focussing hard on making sure all the key events are in the correct order. Maths this week has focussed on addition at the beginning of the week, exploring number bonds within any number, before we then moved on to subtraction in the later part of the week. Subtraction has proved tricky for some, because unlike addition, subtraction cannot be done in any order. It is also vital that you start with the correct number before taking the next number away, otherwise this will make your answer wrong. Subtraction is definitely a work in progress! In other areas of our learning, we have explored modern day toys in history (thank you for sending in your children's toys to help with this) whilst in computing we have continued to learn about algorithms and what it means when a computer has a bug or virus. During PSHE we have been celebrating differences, looking at how we are all the same and different in different ways. We also discussed how amazing it is to be different because the world would be so boring if we were all the same! Finally, in DT we had our first go at experiment with axles and wheels in readiness for us designing and making our own model cars for Traction Man. Have a lovely weekend. The Year 1 Team.



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In English this week the children have enjoyed reading and sharing autumn themed poems. The children were able to confidently share their opinions about the poems we had read and worked in groups to perform a chosen poem. The children have also written their own descriptive poems about autumn using interesting verbs and adverbs as well as noun phrases. In maths we have been learning to compare number sentences and solve missing number questions using inverse operations. In art we looked at a variety of pieces by Clarice Cliff and drew inspiration from her work to create our own designs. In science the children explored objects made from different materials and identified their properties. The children did a marvellous job of explaining why their spoon was the greatest, commenting on the properties of the materials used. In P.E. we have been learning yoga. The children showed great concentration and awareness of strength with their yoga poses. As this week was Kindness Week the children also had the opportunity to participate in a variety of kindness themed activities. We also read some of our favourite kindness themed stories.



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Nurture Hub & Golden Acorns

This week in the Nurture Hub, the children enjoyed painting friendship rocks, which will be used to decorate the outdoor area. They thoughtfully selected kind words to write on their rocks, promoting both creativity and kindness.

During our "Time to Talk" session, we continued exploring the theme of "Rooms in the House." The children practised vocabulary by identifying key furniture items and matching them with the appropriate rooms. We also supported turn-taking skills through the "House Game," which helped the children develop both language and social skills in a fun and interactive way.

During our sensory play, we enjoyed using paintbrushes in pasta and glitter! And in Sensory Circuits we used our gross motor skills, playing with balls, balancing on benches and lots of jumping! Next week the children have requested we get festive! Look out for all their wonderful creations over the next few weeks.



GOLDEN LEAVES

Class name	Child's name	Comment
Diamond	Leon	For being a super helper and having great focus in phonics.
Ruby	Alfie	For engaging so well with our learning.
Topaz	Krish	For a positive attitude to learning.
Amethyst	George B	For being a great role model to his peers.
Emerald	Ralph O	For showing fantastic history knowledge.
Sapphire	Samatha	For always demonstrating our school values, Ready, Respectful and Safe.

OVERALL WINNING CLASS:

SAPPHIRE



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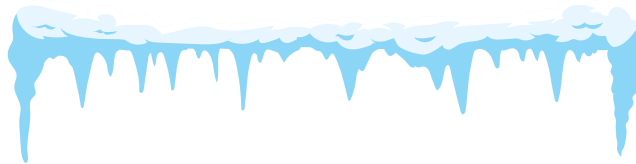
Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute to the Jolly Jars and treats collection last week. Congratulations to the winning Class RUBY!

Next week it's Friday treats, **Hot Chocolate and Cookies** will be on sale after school from the KS1 playground Hall entrance.

If you have any more Jolly Jars or treats to donate, we will leave a collection box by the sale too.

Christmas card order deadline extended! We have been able to extend the order deadline with Classfundraising to Monday 18th November. Every order we have by this date means commission for the school.

Asda Cashpot for schools. This is running until the end of November. Even if you don't shop at Asda please do download the app and sign up to Cashpot for schools and the school will get £1 for every person that does this.



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 soon 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...

Dear Parents,

CFHS are offering a further school readiness session for parents. This session will include general health topics, separation anxiety, bed wetting, dental hygiene, healthy lunchboxes, sleep, plus a lot more.

I have attached the booking link below.

<https://calendly.com/csh-schoolready>

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



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
04 November 2024
and **15 January 2025**



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**.

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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You might be interested in...

Dear Parents,

We hope you have all enjoyed the Autumn term as much as we have.

We are delighted to announce that we are now taking bookings for our Playball Christmas Parties. It's still a while away, but as you know, the Christmas period creeps up on us very quickly so why not get organised and ready for the festive period. We will be running 5 parties. 3 before Christmas to give you a chance to drop the kids off and finish any last minute Christmas preparations, and 2 after Christmas so you can put the house back together after without the kids getting in your way. The parties are open to all children aged 2 - 11 years of age. Please find all details below...

What does the Christmas Party entail (all sessions are held inside)?

The Party will be a 2 hour drop off service, where parents get to take a couple of hours off and rest assured that your kids will be happily entertained, well looked after, and when we hand them back to you, will be thoroughly exhausted from all the fun and games! We will end the party with our ever popular treasure hunt- to ensure that the kids are sent home happy.

How to book?

We can only offer a limited number of spaces for the party and bookings are taken on a first come first serve basis, so book early to avoid missing out. Please click on the appropriate link in the section below and it will take you to the camps page on the website. Alternatively, you can login to your account on the website and search for the Christmas Party in the 'Camps' drop down bar. If you're looking to invite a friend, please forward the whole email onto them. They will need to create an account through the website. Please note, if booking onto sessions at multiple venues, you will have to go to the checkout for each individual venue (for example, complete the booking for the sessions at Places Leisure Camberley, and then complete a separate booking for Lightwater Leisure Centre)..

Dates and Venues

Tuesday 17th December 4pm - 6pm

Sandhurst Memorial Park - Yorktown Road, Sandhurst, GU47 9BJ

https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=65826

Wednesday 18th December 4:15pm - 6:15pm

Places Leisure Camberley - Grand Avenue, Camberley, GU15 3QH

https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=65827

Monday 23rd December 10am - 12pm

Lightwater Leisure Centre - Lightwater Country Park, Lightwater, GU18 5RG

https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=65829

Friday 27th December 10:15am - 12:15pm

Places Leisure Camberley - Grand Avenue, Camberley, GU15 3QH

https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=65828

Monday 30th December 10am - 12pm

Lightwater Leisure Centre - Lightwater Country Park, Lightwater, GU18 5RG

https://www.playballkids.com/parent-zone/basket_bookings.php?classid=65830



Cost and payment

The cost for the party is £20 per child.

Multi-day Discount: £20 for the first party, £15 for the second party, £10 for every party after that.

Please note, the website DOES NOT take into account any discounts so please ignore the price quoted in your confirmation email. If you're unsure of the correct amount to pay, please double check with me.

Payment should be made by bank transfer at least a week in advance to the account details found in your confirmation email.

What should you pack...

We will be stopping for a juice / snack break, so please ensure the children have plenty of liquids and a small snack.

Who are the camps open to?

Please note that our camps are open to all members of the public with children between 2 - 11 years of age- so please spread the Playball word. If you have a 2 year old who you would like to attend the party, please speak to Harry to discuss.

Cancellations

We require at least 24 hours' notice if you are unable to attend. If you do not notify us of a cancellation in good time, or fail to arrive you will be charged in full, as we are generally unable to fill the spaces with such short notice.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards,
Harry Simmonds
Director

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Christmas Fair

- Raffle
- Games
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- Refreshments
- Stalls



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