



## WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 9th July 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

*'Be strong and courageous'* Deuteronomy 31: 6

I am sure that everyone was delighted with the determination of our national team on Wednesday and I hope that you all enjoyed watching the match. Many of the children have been getting very excited about the prospect of the finals – here's hoping that England's success continues to inspire our children both on and off the sports field!

Please take the time to read the important information below about some changes to school next year. Do keep your eye on the website over the holidays as we are still in an ever-changing national situation and we will do all we can to keep you updated if anything changes.

Teachers have spent this week having handover meetings and talking about your children so that they are ready to provide an excellent start to school in September, and the Year 6 team is working very hard on the Year 6 production. We hope you enjoy it when it is released!

Thank you to all of those parents who sent in positive emails about our sports day. It was wonderful to welcome some of you back onto site for a school event and we look forward to many more in the future.

Very best wishes,  
Mrs Wand

### Dates for Monday 12th — Friday 16th July

<b>Tuesday 13th July</b>	<b>Transition day</b> —children are told their new classes and meet their new teachers
<b>Wednesday 14th July</b>	<b>Mufti Day and PTA Donations for Horsell Village Fair stalls</b> (see below)
<b>Thursday 15th July</b>	<b>School Reports</b> sent by e-mail <b>Year 6 Prize Giving</b> —parent attendance by invitation only <b>Year 4 PTA Disco</b> 18:00—19:00 <b>Year 5 PTA Disco</b> 19:30—20:30
<b>Friday 16th July</b>	<b>Year 3 Disco</b> 17:30—18:30 <b>Year 6 Leavers' Party</b> 19:00—20:30, please sign up via Scopay

### PTA Outdoor Disco

Pre-book your disco tickets on [www.pta-events.co.uk/horsell](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/horsell) or pay £5 on the door. The £5 includes entry and tokens (raffle tickets) to buy sweets and novelties. No additional spending money is needed on the night.

We don't want anyone to miss out on the disco because of the cost. Please contact Mrs Ash, in full confidentiality, on [inclusion@horsell-junior.Surrey.sch.uk](mailto:inclusion@horsell-junior.Surrey.sch.uk).

### Mufti Day, Wednesday 14th July

The PTA will be running some stalls at the Horsell Village Fair, and ask that families make a donation on mufti day as follows:

Year 3&6 Edible tombola, e.g. biscuits

Year 4&5 Wrapped sweets, e.g. Haribo/Moam

Children can wear full mufti.

## Teachers next year and changeover day

The children will find out their new classes on Tuesday, 13th July. Whilst many children will be excited about meeting their new teacher and seeing who else will be with them, some children may be anxious. We have looked extremely carefully at the mix of children in each class, have made sure that there is a good balance in each class, and children have some of the friends that they listed. Please note that we will not be able to change the classes once the children have had their changeover day.

Some of our teachers will be moving year groups, and are taking on different subject responsibilities, listed below:

<b>Year 3</b>		
Mr Dunsford	Head of Year 3, Music Subject Lead	Oak Class
Ms Nash	Class teacher	Elm Class
Miss Harrington	Class teacher, RE Subject Lead	Ash Class
<b>Year 4</b>		
Miss Freed	Head of Year 4, Maths Subject Lead	Palm Class
Miss Faulkner	Class teacher, PE subject lead	Acer Class
Miss Shoberu	Class teacher, History subject lead	Pine Class
<b>Year 5</b>		
Mrs Cumberbeach	Head of Year 5, PSHE Subject Lead	Rowan Class
Mrs Westgate Mrs Jones	Class teacher, DT Subject Lead Class teacher, Geography Subject Lead	Beech Class
Miss Chadburn	Class teacher, English Subject Lead	Cedar Class
<b>Year 6</b>		
Mr Penstone	Head of Year 6, Assistant Head, Computing Subject Lead	Spruce Class
Miss Jones	Class teacher, Science Subject Lead	Cherry Class
Mrs Page Mrs Brogden	Class Teacher, OPAL Subject Lead Class teacher, Art Subject Lead	Willow Class
Mrs Christie	Numbers Count teacher	All year groups

## Prize Giving

Each year group bubble will have a prize giving ceremony next week. These will be on different days, and those children lucky enough to receive a prize will have their photograph taken. We will send this photograph home. Year 6 prize giving is open to the parents of those children who receive a prize and will take place on Thursday, 15th July. Parents of the lucky prize winners should have received an email from the office this week.

The prizes this year are a little different. This is to reflect the challenging year that we have had. Academic prizes are to reward progress rather than overall attainment. We have also introduced two new awards – the ‘Values’ award, which reflects a child in the year group who has consistently demonstrated our school values and ethos; and a ‘Dove’ award, which is for a child who has shown particular resilience and fortitude over the pandemic. There is also a swimming award.

## Important Information for Next Year

According to current guidelines, school 'bubbles' will end this academic year. Moving forward, we will no longer have staggered arrival, departure, lunchtimes or break times.

You may remember that, prior to the national lockdown, we undertook a parent consultation around a revised start time to the school day. This was subsequently ratified by our governors. The school opening and closing times are below:

**School gates open:** 8 30am

**School register:** 8 40am (PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER REGISTRATION TIME)

**School finishes:** 3 10pm

Children arriving after 8 40am will be marked as late. This new start time is to enable us to settle the children and start early morning work prior to our whole school collective worship.

All children will now have their break times at 10 35am – 10 50am, and lunchtimes will be from 12 10pm – 1 10pm, with the younger children starting their lunchtimes a little earlier.

### Walking home passes

#### for the academic year 2020 - 2021

The parents of children in the new Year 6, who are currently in Year 5, should apply for a walking home pass for their child if they do not already have one and they would like their child to walk home. Forms can be found on the website.

Children who are currently in Year 4 but are entering Year 5 will not be eligible for a walking home pass until they have had a lesson in road safety, which will take place early in the Autumn term. Parents will be notified when this has taken place so that they can apply for a card, should they wish to do so.



### PE and skills afternoons 2020 - 2021

We will now be able to use the sports hall for PE, and cookery will be starting again in September. Swimming and Forest School will also continue. All children in the year group should continue to come into school in their PE kit on the day that they have skills in the afternoon.

#### Skills afternoons for 2021 - 2022

MONDAYS: Year 4

TUESDAYS: Year 5

THURSDAYS: Year 6

FRIDAYS: Year 3

Now that our full skills timetable is back in action, we will once again be asking for a parental contribution of £45 to contribute to the cost of our skills curriculum. Parents will be able to pay using our online payment system (Scopay). Parents can choose to pay in full at the start of the term, or as three, termly, instalments.

### Last Day of Term—early finish

The last day of school before the summer holidays will be Tuesday 20th July. Children will all finish at the earlier time of 13:45. Although the finish time is not staggered, children will come out of the usual exits.

Our next academic year starts on Friday 3rd September.

### Risk Assessment

A new whole school risk assessment will be issued for the start of the new academic year.



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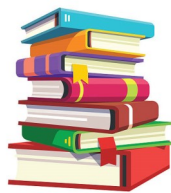
### End of year library returns

We think it is great that you all love reading so much and have enjoyed borrowing books from our school library.

With the end of the year coming, please can we ask you to check at home for any of our library books— in your bookshelves, behind the sofa and under your beds! Our library books will have a bar code in the front of the book and have the school's name stamped in them.

We would really appreciate having all our books returned to your teacher or via the school letterbox this Monday (12 July) so that we can organise the library ready for next year.

Thank you!



## Year 6 Hockey Team Report

We played 10 games in all. We had a slow start, losing two matches but went on to win the rest of our games. This was enough to win the whole tournament and we came away with a tiny hockey stick trophy.

Thank you to Woking Hockey Club, to the parents who helped with transport and to Mr Coles and Mr Winter.



Year 6 hockey team: Thomas, Katherine, Tasha, Daniel M, Ella, James and Amelia.



### Plastic take away containers

Are you storing any clean and unwanted plastic take away containers as one day they might come in useful?

Please can your child/ren bring in any spare and clean containers with their matching lids next Monday 12th or Tuesday 13th July. This will enable us to distribute our Maths resources efficiently to ensure they are easily accessible for all children in all maths lessons from September.

From calculations made in Palm class we need 144 takeaway pots in total! So any container donations will be greatly received.



## Well done Kloe!

A huge well done and congratulations to Kloe in Spruce class this week for completing the Year 6 Recommended Reading List. Kloe was awarded a reading certificate by Miss Chadburn.

When asked what her favourite books from the list were, she replied "that's really hard because there is so many to choose from." Kloe then went on to tell Miss Chadburn that 'Ella on the Outside' by Cath Howe and 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eva Ibbotson were some of her top choices.

Kloe loved that the reading list showed that girls have power too and wants to let everyone know that 'even if you don't finish the reading list, you can still have an amazing time reading. Just go for it!'

**Well done Kloe  
and happy reading everyone!**

