



WEEKLY FOCUS

Thursday 6th October 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

*'For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
I was a stranger and you welcomed me', Matthew 25: 31 - 34*

This week, year 5 lead our Harvest celebration at St. Mary's Church. We were pleased so many parents and carers were able to join us to watch their excellent performance. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to our Harvest collection, which will shortly be taken to the York Road Project. This was a wonderful way for our children to put into practice our school values of dignity, love and service.

Thank you also to Mrs Ghalami and our swimmers who took time out on Sunday to take part in the Swimathon and, alongside other local teams, helped raise more than £7,000 for a variety of local charities on Sunday. We were also very proud of our prefects who gave prospective parents tours of the school during our first Open Morning this year. This morning we also enjoyed the first class assembly of the year, given by Willow class who reflected on the challenges of "moving on", adapting to change and accepting new challenges.

Best wishes,
School Office

KEY DATES FOR 7TH—15TH OCTOBER 2022

Friday 7th October	Lost property available on play ground.
Monday 10th October	Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending.
Tuesday 11th October	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop , in school (visit from Chertsey Museum).
Wednesday 12th October	Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending.
Friday 14th October	<p>Spruce Class Assembly, 08:55am prompt. Please note that hot drinks and photography are not permitted in the assembly.</p> <p>Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending.</p> <p>Year 6 Boys football national football qualifiers, 9:30am—12noon, by invitation.</p>
Saturday 15th October	<p>Horsell Junior School Open morning for prospective parents, 9:30am—11:00am.</p> <p>PTA Good As New Uniform Sale, 10:00—11:30am, Horsell Village School.</p>

MEDICATION

Please note that children should NOT keep any medication, including throat lozenges, in their school bags. Asthma pumps, throat lozenges and creams/lotions should be handed in to the teacher. Any other medication should be brought to the office.

ALL medication must labelled, in its original packaging, and accompanied by a completed medical form.

BRINGING IN FORGOTTEN ITEMS

At Horsell Junior School, we encourage our children to be independent. Now that children are settling into their new routine and time table, we will no longer be accepting forgotten items after drop off. This includes PE kits, forest school kits, swim kits, instruments and fruit snacks.

The only items which may be dropped off late are **packed lunches, medication and coats.**

HARVEST FESTIVAL

On Monday, year 5 led the harvest service at St Mary's Church. We celebrated the hard work of farmers and food producers and reflected on how important trees and water are to people all over the world. Everyone worked hard to learn their lines and the songs. We enjoyed having so many parents and carers join us.

By Amarie, Rowan

THANK YOU

Thank you for your generosity. The photo below is of just some of the generous donations for the York Road Project.



SWIMATHON UPDATE

Twelve children from years 4, 5 and 6 participated in the Woking Rotary Swimathon on Sunday afternoon.

They swam a relay in two teams for 55 minutes and swam an astonishing 280 lengths between them. They should all be very proud of what they achieved together as a team.

The Mayor of Woking handed out the medals (pictured below with Mrs Ghalami).



LOST PROPERTY

Please help us return lost property by clearly labelling all items brought into school.

Due to the volume of un-named lost property, we have taken the decision to put this out in the playground twice each half term. After this time, unlabelled and unclaimed items will be donated or disposed of as appropriate. This term, items will be put out on Friday 7th and 21st October.

Children are welcome to check lost property at break time or come with an adult just before drop off or at pick up.

BOOK FAIR



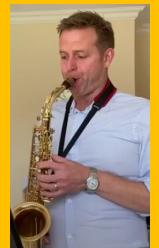
Thank you to everyone who attended our book fair last week. It was better than we expected and such a joy to see the children reading and excited about their new books. Thanks to all your purchases, we now have over £866.90 to spend on books for our school.

Miss Chadburn would like to give a special thank you to the Year 6 librarians who helped make the day a success.

We hope you are all enjoying reading your new books!

WOODWIND LESSONS

Anthony Lawton is a woodwind instrument teacher at our school. He also teaches woodwind and conducts the orchestra at Woking High.



Click [here](#) for a short video introducing himself and the instruments he teaches.

If your child is interested in learning a woodwind instrument, please contact Anthony on lawtonteaching@gmail.com. Trial lessons available.

Horsell Family Fireworks

Friday 21st October

5.30- 7pm (display at 6.30pm)
Woking & Horsell Cricket Club,
Brewery Road GU21 4TA

£5.50 per ticket (pre schoolers & 5th family ticket are free)
Tickets can be booked in advance or pay on arrival
Pre-ordered food only, available (hot dogs & vegan hotdogs)
Please order by Tuesday 18th Oct
www.pta-events.co.uk/horsell

Sweets, and glowing items available and the cricket club bar will be open

