



WEEKLY FOCUS

Thursday 13th October 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

'I have come that you may have life in all its fullness.' John 10:10

School life continues a-pace this week, and the children have been engaged in lots of different activities and learning opportunities. In Collective Worship earlier this week, Miss Chadburn spoke to the children about the launch of our poetry competition. I know that some pupils have already submitted their entries and it is a great opportunity for all of our children to showcase their creativity! Mr Coles has also been busy – our children have been participating in different sporting events and I know that they have been proud to represent our school.

This week has also seen members of staff visiting other schools. Working collaboratively with colleagues in other settings is an excellent way to share good practice, and Mrs Brincombe, Miss Chadburn and I visited Frimley C of E Junior School on Monday to talk to the staff there about how they teach writing. Frimley teaches writing in a similar way to Horsell Junior and it was useful to share good practice and get further ideas about our own teaching.

Horsell Junior School is due to be inspected by SIAMS this year. SIAMS inspects the Christian distinctiveness of the school, as well as the teaching of RE. It is reassuring for parents to know that SIAMS inspectors look carefully at the spiritual and moral wellbeing of the children at our school. They will consider how our belief that we are all equally loved and important is lived out in the life of all members of the school community. Please take a look at the SIAMS section of the website if you require further information.

We will be having another donation day for OPAL immediately after half term. Please don't throw away items that you think might be useful! Further information will be sent out next week.

Kind regards,
Mrs Wand

KEY DATES FOR 14TH—21ST OCTOBER 2022

Friday 14th October	Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending. Year 6 Boys football national football qualifiers, 9:30am—12noon, by invitation.
Saturday 15th October	Horsell Junior School Open morning for prospective parents, 9:30am—11:00am. PTA Good As New Uniform Sale, 10:00—11:30am, Horsell Village School.
Tuesday 18th October	Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending. Tag Rugby match, year 5&6 boys and girls, 13:30, Pirbright, by invitation. Please note there will be no Tag Rugby club due to the above fixture.
Thursday 20th October	Woking High Open Mornings. Please let us know here if your child is attending. Year 3 Road Safety Day.
Friday 21st October	Individual School Photos. Children should wear full winter uniform please. Last day of term. School finishes at 15:10. Children return on Monday 31st October. PTA Fireworks Evening, Horsell & Woking Cricket Club, 17:30—19:00. Please book tickets here .

HORSELL HEROES NEWSLETTER

On the last Friday of each half term, we celebrate the achievements of our children in assembly.

Instead of our weekly focus newsletter, we also send out a Horsell Heroes Newsletter celebrating their achievements, along with a newsletter from each year group outlining what has been happening in school this half term and their plans for next half term.

If your child has won an award, completed a challenge, moved up a grade on the musical instrument / other hobby or ends up in the local paper, then please e-mail their teacher with a brief description and a photo if you are happy for this to be shared in the Horsell Heroes newsletter.

ENHANCED CURRICULUM NEXT HALF TERM

Elm, Palm, Cedar and Spruce will continue swimming lessons.

Oak, Pine, Rowan and Willow will continue with Art/DT.

Children in Ash, Acer, Beech and Cherry who had Art/DT this half term will now have forest school, and those who had forest school will have Art/DT lessons. For art/DT, children will need an old shirt/coverall. An email will be sent to those taking forest school with full details of what they will need to bring for these sessions.

To run the forest school sessions, we need a parent volunteer from 1:10pm—3pm. If you are able to help on any date, please e-mail the [school office](#).

VR HEADSETS

Next week, our whole school will be using VR headsets to bring learning closer to Horsell. From exploring Machu Picchu to researching rocks and fossils, we hope these lessons will engage and inspire the children.



MATCH REPORT



On Tuesday 10th October our Year 4 netball team played in the St Andrew's School Tournament.

The team were very excited and couldn't wait to start their matches! The girls played well in all their games. They played 3 matches, they lost 1, drew 1 (against the eventual tournament winners) and won 1. The last game was a brilliant performance from the whole team which ended in a 5-0 win to Horsell. This was the first time any of the team had played netball for the school and they should be very pleased with their performances.

The after-match hot dogs and cakes were also very popular!

Thank you to St Andrew's School for hosting such a great event and thanks also to the parents for their courtside support.



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

Main sponsor:  Seymours
Food Sponsor:  The Horsell Kitchen

The closing date for children in year 6 to apply for a secondary school place is 31st October 2022.

To apply or find further information, please click [here](#).

HAVE YOUR SAY ON IMPROVEMENTS TO HORSELL MOOR PLAY AREA

Local residents, families and children are invited to have their say on improvements to the play area at Horsell Moor GU21 4NQ. Woking Borough Council, in partnership with play provider KOMPAN, have developed a proposal for new equipment which aims to offer a variety of play activities for children of different ages and abilities.

Before progressing with the proposal, the Council is keen to hear the views and opinions of local residents. To view the proposals and submit your feedback, please click [here](#). **The consultation ends Friday 28 October 2022.**