

# Horsell C of E Junior School

## Fortnightly focus

Thursday 11th June 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

*"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."*  
— Ephesians 4:32

Forgiveness is our school value this half term and this quote from the Bible reminds us why it is so important.

It was a joy to see our choir attend church this Sunday as part of the celebration of volunteers within the community. The children represented the school beautifully, and I was really proud of how they participated. A special thank you to everyone at the church for making our children feel so warmly welcomed.

We have also had an exciting and successful week in sport! Well done to all those who took part in the district athletics competition and the girls' district cricket. Yet again our Horsell children shone through winning all of these competitions. While we celebrate the fantastic achievements and wins, we are equally proud of the excellent sporting behaviour displayed by all our pupils. Their teamwork, respect, and encouragement of one another truly stood out.

Another highlight this week was our OPAL afternoon. It was fantastic to see so many parents joining us at playtime and sharing in the children's experiences. Thank you so much for your generous donations—they make a real difference and help us continue to enrich play opportunities for our pupils.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Wand



## Key dates 12<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### \*Sports Week\*

#### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June:

- Oak class assembly, 8:55am prompt. Please note hot drinks cannot be brought into assembly. Photography is not permitted.

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June:

- PTA Good As New Uniform Sale, 10-11:30am, Horsell Junior School

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June:

- **Year 3 & 4 District Athletics**, Woking Sports Box, 12:30 - 15:30 (by invitation). There will be no girls' cricket club this day.
- **Year 6 Engage Transition Workshop** (in school)

#### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June:

- **Year 6 Leavers' Service**, Guildford Cathedral (children only), 09:00 - 12:00
- **Sponsored run/walk for WaterAid (in school)**. Details overleaf.
- **Year 6 Boys' District Cricket Finals**, Old Woking CC, 09:45 - 15:00 (by invitation). There will be no cricket nets this day.

#### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June:

- **Sports Day**, please see details overleaf!
- **Thank a Teacher Day**.

#### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June:

- **PTA Mufti and Summer Fair Donations**. Children may wear clothes suitable for sport, or bring PE kit in separately if taking part in line tag. Donation details can be found overleaf.
- **Whole school inter-house line tag** (pupils only)

# YEAR 5&6 DISTRICT ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS



Huge congratulations to our Year 5&6 athletics team on becoming District Champions for the second year in a row, finishing ahead of 16 other schools.

Despite competing in challenging rainy conditions, every athlete performed brilliantly, supported one another and represented the school with great pride. Their determination, resilience and positive attitude were outstanding, making this a truly deserved success.

Our Year 3&4 team will be representing the school at their district athletics event on Monday.



Congratulations to the Horsell Junior School Girls Cricket Team on winning the District Cricket Tournament for the second consecutive year. The girls were outstanding throughout the competition, with their excellent fielding proving to be a particular highlight and game winner. Every player contributed superbly with both bat and ball, demonstrating great skill, teamwork and determination.

As District Champions, they will now go on to represent Woking at the Surrey County Finals against schools from across the county. This is a wonderful achievement and one that the girls should be extremely proud of.



# SCHOOL SPORTS WEEK

15<sup>TH</sup> - 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE



WEAR PE KIT ALL NEXT WEEK AND ENJOY:

All week	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Relay races at lunchtime	Sponsored run / walk	Sports day	'Potential Kids' fun football sessions	Whole school interhouse line tag



## SPONSORED RUN/WALK

On Tuesday, the whole school will take part in a sponsored run or walk of up to 20 laps of the school field to raise money for WaterAid. They will learn about the importance of clean water and sanitation.

Children will come home with a sponsorship form in their bags. Donations can be made to <https://www.wateraid.org.uk/donate>

## SPORTS DAY, WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Children are invited to wear PE kit with a t-shirt in their house colour. The houses are **Clandon**, **Hatchlands**, **Loseley** and **Polesdon**; children know which house they are in.

Please ensure children bring a water bottle and hat to school, and apply sun screen before school.



### TIMINGS

- Year 5: 09:00 - 10:30
- Year 6: 10:30 - 12:00
- Year 3: 12:40 - 13:50
- Year 4: 13:50 - 15:00



Hot and cold drinks will be available from Cafe2U. Card & cash accepted, with some of the profits donated to the school. Cafe2UGuildford



## Egyptian Day in Year 3

Year 3 had a wonderful day, travelling back in time to immerse themselves in Ancient Egypt. Both the children and teachers thoroughly enjoyed the experience, embracing the occasion by dressing up in fantastic Egyptian-themed costumes.

Throughout the day, the children took part in a range of exciting activities, including hieroglyphic code-breaking, an archaeological dig, mummifying their teddy bears, creating their own Egyptian scrolls, and making decorative collars fit for pharaohs and Cleopatras!

The day was a huge success, bringing history to life through hands-on learning and creativity. The children were fully engaged and had great fun exploring the fascinating world of Ancient Egypt. We are already looking forward to doing it all again next year!



# YEAR 4

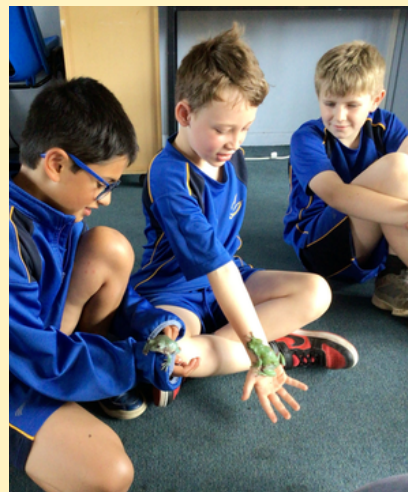
Year 4 were delighted to welcome some new members to the year group to the school when **Darwin's Kingdom** visited on Monday 1st June. The exciting visit gave the children a wonderful opportunity to get up close to a range of fascinating animals and learn more about the natural world.



During the session, the children met Australian Tree Frogs, a lizard, a skink and Hector the Boa Constrictor. They were thrilled to have the chance to safely handle the animals and observe their unique features at close range. The visit brought learning to life, helping the children to deepen their understanding of animal adaptations, habitats and survival needs.

As part of the experience, the children discovered where each animal lives in the wild, what they eat and how they are suited to their environments. The session also reinforced their science learning about living things, classification and the importance of respecting and caring for wildlife.

The children were highly engaged throughout the visit, asking thoughtful questions and sharing their own knowledge. Their enthusiasm and curiosity impressed the Darwin's Kingdom team, and many pupils left inspired to learn more about animals and conservation. It was a memorable and educational experience that everyone thoroughly enjoyed.



Last week, Year 4 took on an exciting DT project designing and creating their very own homemade torches for the upcoming school sleepover.

Using recycled bottles as the casing and drawing on their science knowledge of electricity, the children created simple circuits with bulbs, wires and batteries. The circuits were placed inside their customised casings.



# COMPUTING WORKSHOP

Year 3 had a fantastic Computing workshop led by Eduthing, our IT education support team. Each class enjoyed an hour-long session learning how to programme their own catching game using OctoStudio software.

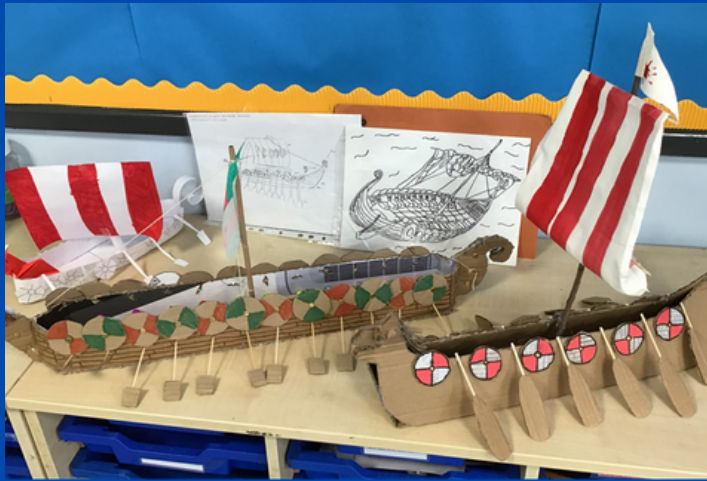
The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were excited to create and customise their own games. It was wonderful to see their creativity, problem-solving skills, and enthusiasm for computing in action.



# VIKING LONGSHIPS

Year 5 have been loving some extra homework tasks, giving them a chance to be more creative with their home learning.

Look at these fantastic Viking longships that were drawn, designed and created all by hand at home! We have been so impressed with your efforts and sheer creativity.



The Young Carers support group within school have had a very enjoyable year, meeting in school most weeks and enjoying time together chatting and through craft, games and cookery.

As an end-of-term treat, the children have had a trip on the Kitty boat along the Basingstoke Canal. The year 3s and 4s braved the inclement weather on Wednesday 3 June and were excited to see a new boat – Kitty 2. This is an electric boat and has a large indoor area where we could enjoy time together. Two children at a time were also allowed outside with the skipper (who was steering the boat) and they had lots of fun trying to catch leaves from the overhead trees! A good time was had by all!

The years 5s and 6s went this week, and enjoyed getting up on the deck. They were delighted to spot almost every bird and sign on the 'Spotter List'. This included cygnets, dragonflies and baby moorhens. *"We got so close to a heron we almost could touch it if we were a meter taller,"* exclaimed one child.

*"The best trip ever!"*  
*"I enjoyed watching the animals."*  
*"I have enjoyed the lovely view."*

We are very grateful to St Mary's Church who fund this trip as well as our other activities and also provide many of the volunteer helpers.



## THANK A TEACHER DAY

17<sup>th</sup> June



### Send a Thank You

A small message can make a big difference. Help your child send a free personalised thank you card to a teacher or member of school staff who has made an impact. You can even send a message to the whole school or college community.

[Send Your Thank You Now](#)



### Fun Activities for Home

Looking for something creative and meaningful to do together? Download free, easy-to-use activities designed to spark creativity and kindness. From games to printable thank you cards, there's something for all ages. Perfect for a quick activity at home or over the weekend.

[Download them here](#)



### Get Involved in Competitions

Encourage your child to get creative and share their appreciation through art or writing. There are exciting competitions to enter, with the chance to have their work seen by well-known judges and win prizes.

[See our Competitions](#)



### Win Prizes for your School!

Your thank you could support books, learning, and recognition for your child's school.

[Learn about](#)

**HORSELL SCHOOLS' PTA**

# SUMMER FAIR

4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026  
12:00 - 15:00  
Horsell Junior School, Meadway Dr,  
Horsell, GU21 4TA

**JOLLY JARS** **BOOK SHOP**

**TUCK SHOP** **SUMMERSCALES**

**ICE CREAM TRUCK** **PRIZE DRAW**

**FAIR GAMES** **TOY TOMBOLA**

**ADOPT A PET** **CIRCUS SHOWS**

**CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE OR SCAN QR CODES**

**CIRCUS TICKETS & TOKENS** **PRIZE DRAW**

## MUFTI DONATION DAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

### YEAR 3- TOY TOMBOLA

Good quality boxed toys, puzzles, soft toys, board games, modelling kits, card games etc.

### YEAR 4- BOTTLES AND EDIBLE GIFTS

Please ensure items in date and do NOT contain nuts.

### YEAR 5- PARTY BAG FILLERS

Small toys, balls, small activities, stickers, perfect as prizes, as gender neutral as possible please. No party bags needed.

### YEAR 6 SWEETS & CHOCOLATES

Sweet multi packs i.e. individually wrapped packs of sweets, chocolate bars, lollies that would be perfect as a prize. Must **NOT** contain nuts.

### ALL YEAR GROUPS

In addition to the above, any donations of good quality Soft Toys/Teddies, Games/Toys and in date Bottles/Edible gifts are much appreciated. Thank you!

## HORSELL C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

# SPACES STILL AVAILABLE FOR YEAR 3 2026

Contact us to book a school tour    "Pupils thrive in Horsell Church of England Junior School." **OFSTED 2025**

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*Passionate foodies*

# SUMMER TABLE

Clever Food Magazine

SUMMER 2026
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Issue 5

Our children continue to enjoy the meals from our new caterer, Cleverchefs.

Cleverchef's latest online magazine is now ready, filled with recipes and articles on seasonal food and the latest trends, why not take a look [here!](#)

Please book meals for next week by midnight on Sunday. Thank you!

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Sporting Success:</b> District champions across Athletics, Cricket, Netball &amp; Rugby</li> <li>✓ <b>Academic Success:</b> SATS results consistently well above national averages</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Feeder school to Woking High School</li> <li>✓ Onsite swimming pool</li> <li>✓ Large choir and orchestra</li> </ul> |
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## Helping an ADHD Child with Homework

**FREE** one hour online session for parents  
**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 7pm - 8pm**

Join us online to get some advice on how to help your ADHD child start and complete their homework.

Book on the [PARENTS - Live Talks](#) page  
[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

## Additional Needs Service showcase

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
 9:30am-2:30pm

Eastwood Leisure Centre  
 Albert Drive, Sheerwater,  
 Woking  
 GU21 5RF

Free parking onsite and public transport nearby.

- ★ Come and find out about local and national services!
- ★ Age range 0-25 years for Children and Young People with Additional Needs
- ★ For Families and Practitioners

No need to book, just drop in!

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