

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dedicated to fostering an inclusive culture that respects, values and celebrates the contributions of all our children.





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Staff News

Today we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Clarke who is moving onto her new role at Thamesmead. Mrs Clarke will be missed but we wish her all the best.

I can also share with you that Miss Glaves (RGM Class Teacher) is going to be leaving Saxon at the end of Summer I. Miss Glaves is relocating to be closer to her family in Yorkshire. Miss Glaves has been an asset to the teaching team for the last 5 years and she'll be sorely missed. We wish Miss Glaves the very best of luck for the future. Mrs Morley has very kindly agreed to teach RGM full time for the remainder of the academic year.

End of Term Awards

In assemblies this week, we celebrated individual children's achievements as well as congratulated all of the school on a term of hard work and excellent progress. Well done to our award recipients:

Maths: Grace (RB); Johnny (RGM); Advik (1JK); Freya (1K); Jaylen (2B); Mark-Jacob (2DM); Lily (3C); Mishca (3W); Jackson (4K); Polly (4P); Kiran (5A); Ronny (5P); Chloe (6L) & George V (6R)

Writing: Marnie (RB); Ava (RGM); Emelia (1JK); Penelope (1K); Sienna (2B); Eilidh (2DM); Jessica (3C); Bunny (3W); Tyler (4K); Ruby (4P); Selim (5A); Havana (5P); Amaury (6L) & Betty (6R)

The Arts: Lilith (RB); Eleni (RGM); Oliver (1JK); Daisy (1K); Fadey (2B); Leila-Hope (2DM); Max (3C); Ezra (3W); Ethan (4K); Lilly-May (4P); Ariela (5A); Imogen (5P); Zulaykha (6L) & Henri (6R)

Sports: Steven-Charlie (RB); Jude (RGM); Ivy (1JK); Athena (1K) Sam

(2B); Ben (2DM); Rex (3C); Tayton (3W); Honey (4K); Madeleine (4P); George (5A); Heidi (5P); Goran (6L) & Diyan (6R)

Scroll down for the HT award recipients and the reasons they were chosen.

Summer Term Dates

These have been updated and a full list is attached to the newsletter; they'll also be on our website after the holidays.

School Dinners

When we return to school we will have a brand new Dinner Menu offering tasty and nutritious dishes with plenty of variety. Menus and pricing for the Summer Term can be found on our website:

https://www.saxonprimary.co.uk/sax on-primary/school-info/healthylunches-and-school-meal-menus A reminder that if you would like to change your child from home packed lunches to school dinners, or visversa, you should complete the following 'Change of School Meal Preference' form online by Friday 10am of the week ahead:

https://www.saxonprimary.co.uk/form/?pid=140&form=16

A Thank You

A big thank you to Frankie's (3W) Mum who donated Easter cakes for our Young Carers group last week in a generous act of kindness!

DT Baking Competition

The competition on Monday was a huge success and we had some wonderful cakes donated! Well done to everyone who entered and to our winners: KS1 Winners

Best Presentation 1st: George R 1K 2nd: Matthew 1JK

KEY DATES

March

Thurs 28th 1:45pm End of Term

for all

<u>April</u>

Mon 15th Children return to

school

Thurs 18th Y3 to Verulamium

Museum

Weds 24th Arts Day

May

Wk Beg Y6 End of KS2 13th Assessments

Assessments Y5 Bikeability

Tues 14th Year 1 to The Lookout

Weds 15th 7pm Reception 2024

Induction Evening for

Families

Wk Beg Y5 Bikeability

 20^{th}

Mon 20th - Y4 to Rise Up

Weds 22nd Residential

Fri 24th 3:15/20 End of

Summer I

Most Creative 1st: Toby RB 2nd: Joshua 2B

KS2 Winners
Best Presentation
1st: Lily May 6R
2nd: Martha 3C

Most Creative 1st: Will 3C 2nd: Katie 4K Photos of the cakes are on Facebook. Thank you to Miss Kavanagh for organising this competition for us and to everyone who took part. We raised £83.60 to support our DT budget and buy materials for the children's DT projects.

School Uniform

KS Teamwear have now updated their website with the new logo for our uniform items. There is a 50% discount on any old stock until this is all sold.

SSA Events

Thank you to everyone who donated their recycling for the Happy Bags day yesterday and towards the Mufti Day today. £163.90 was raised from Happy Bags and we will share the amount raised from the Mufti Day after the holidays.

The next event is the KS1 Cartoon Club on Tuesday $23^{\rm rd}$ April.

Y5 Bowles Residential

Y5 had a wonderful time at Bowles Rocks in Tunbridge Wells over the weekend. All of the staff who accompanied them were so impressed by how the children took part in the activities and overcame many challenges. A huge thank you to the staff for giving up their weekend to ensure the children had a successful trip and made lifelong memories.

Shepperton Green Sign Competition

A few months ago, children in Years 5&6 were invited to take part in a competition to re-design this sign. The children's designs had to include the history, characteristics and local features of Shepperton. The children produced some amazing designs and



three children's posters were chosen. Congratulations to our winner – Jake (6L) and our runners up – Imogen (5P) and Methuki (5A). The children will be awarded with their prize at the launch of the Spelthorne in Bloom competition on Tuesday $16^{\rm th}$ April held at Squires Garden Centre. See below for their winning entries.

Walton Oak Primary School is recruiting Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference? We are for a fixed term Teaching Assistant until the end of August 2024. This is an opportunity for an individual who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please see:

https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1411306

Darley Dene Primary School in Addlestone is recruiting Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference? We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. For more information please see: https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1410747

Darley Dene Primary School in Addlestone is

recruiting Do you have a passion for Early Years? Are you motivated by working within a high performing environment? We currently have an opportunity for a dedicated nursery Leader to join our Team. For more information please see:

https://www.eteach.com/job/nursery-room-leader-1411012

Lumen Learning Trust is recruiting We are looking to appoint a member of staff to support in the delivery of P.E. lessons across the five Lumen Learning Trust (LLT) schools, this is an exciting role for anyone who is interested in coaching and developing youth sport. This role is supported by Sports Premium funding and therefore is a fixed term contract, expiring on 31st August 2025. There is the possibility that the contract will be extended subject to the funding from the DfE continuing.

https://www.eteach.com/job/sports-coach-1407402

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting: We are looking to appoint an Office Assistant with a 'can do' attitude who are passionate about making a difference, to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team. For more information please see:

https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/school-office-assistant-1410722

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting: Are you an ambitious teacher who is keen to make a difference? We are offering a wonderful opportunity to become an integral part of our exceptional community of children and adults. For more information please see:

https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/class-teacher-1412719

Oracy Question of the Week

'Where is your favourite place you have been on holiday?'

Easter Kindness Challenge

The school of kindness has an Easter kindness bingo challenge for the children to complete at home. Click here for all the information you need:

https://schoolofkindness.org/east erchallenge

Children who bring their completed challenge into school to show me after the holidays, will receive a proud slip in their class jars.

Reading

This week's recommendation is from 6R and is the story 'Viking Boy' by Tony Bradman.

Gunnar is the son of a Viking chieftain, living peacefully on his family steading with his mother, father and their people - until they are raided by Skuli and his Wolf Men, who raze his home to the ground and take his father's life. Gunnar swears an oath to avenge his father's death and save his mother from Skuli - but first he must run to save himself. Ferocious raiders, hand to hand battles to the death, mythical flying wolves and a relentless sea journey to the Land of Fire and Ice... Unknown to Gunnar, his life has been foretold, and he finds he has a destiny greater than his own story.

Year 6 loved this story as it brought our topic of the Vikings to life! We were all gripped to find out what happened to Gunnar and how he could possibly reach Valhalla to avenge his father.



Stay on Green

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf

this week were: Harrison (RB); Farrah & Lisha (RGM); Roman, Amber & Shaan (2B); Aaron (4P) and Diyan (6R) very well done to all of these children!

Wishing everyone a lovely Easter holiday and a relaxing break,

Miss Morris Headteacher

Scroll down for more info...

Outside Achievements

Recent achievements shared with us have been:

- ➤ Issac (3W) who was awarded a Blue Peter Green Badge for writing a wonderful poem about saving the world
- Esme (4K) who won gold in her latest Sports Acrobatics Competition and received the highest score in the whole grade 4 category
- ➤ Daisy (3C) who was awarded silver in two dance competitions

These achievements will be celebrated in assembly after the holidays.

Headteacher Award Recipients

RB - Vinnie

Vinnie always tries his best in every area of our Early Years curriculum. He is always engaged, listens to all of the teacher inputs and contributes well to whole class discussions. In our daily phonics session, Vinnie likes to read the sentence of the day - carefully decoding the words and spotting the digraphs and trigraphs within the words. He loves to write independently and he often writes notes and cards to his parents, teachers and friends. In Maths sessions, Vinnie reliably counts to 20 and beyond and he confidently explains his understanding when adding and subtracting. Vinnie is a joy to teach - we are so proud of your incredible effort this term. Well done.

RGM - Sanuki

Since joining us at Saxon a few months ago, Sanuki has tried her best at everything! We are so proud of the way she has handled all the changes set before her; the transition to a new country, new language, new school and everything that comes with it. Her effort and determination shine through every day. She has made amazing progress in such a short amount of time and faced challenges with great resilience. Sanuki was eager and confident to share information about Sri Lanka during International Day and has taught us all many things about her wonderful culture. A friendly, kind and positive girl, she is always willing to let others join in her games and cheer someone up when they are feeling sad. We are delighted that Sanuki is a part of our class team and know that with her fantastic attitude and ongoing efforts she will continue to thrive at Saxon. Keep up the great work, Sanuki!

1JK - Wilson

Wilson has made exceptional effort this term. We are so impressed with his passion for learning and he has applied this in all curriculum areas. He has a fantastic learning attitude and always wants to excel. Wilson is a kind and caring member of the class and is a popular member among his peers, he will always let a friend join in on his games. Wilson is becoming a mature, responsible and a resilient learner each day. We are so proud of his effort and we are confident that he will blossom as an individual. Well done, Wilson!

1K - Clark

Clark's progress this year has made him fully deserving of the Headteacher's award. Clark comes to school each morning ready to learn and to put full effort into everything that is given to him, he shows resilience and will always give everything a go. Clark has made very good progress in reading and with his writing. Clark has great qualities. He is kind, caring and funny and this shows with the amount of friendships he has and how others look up to him in class. Clark will only improve further as we move into the Summer term. Well done, Clark!

2B - Isaac

Kind, thoughtful and always with a smile on his face, Isaac puts 110% effort into everything he does and has therefore made excellent progress across the whole curriculum this term. Enjoying everything school life has to offer, Isaac is a great partner; sharing, being patient and helping others when they need a helping hand. In lessons he is always enthusiastic, asking lots of questions and sharing things he has remembered from previous years. Around the school he is always polite and everyone from the dinner ladies to other teachers have noticed how kind and thoughtful he is; always saying thank you and opening a door for everyone. We love having Isaac in 2B, his smile is infectious and we are so proud of the progress he has made due to his hard-working attitude. Well done, Isaac!

2DM - Grace

Grace is a kind, caring individual who has made excellent progress throughout the curriculum this term. Grace takes part in all learning with the same keen enthusiasm and she is always willing to share her ideas and experiences with the class. She is keen for a challenge and her love of learning shows through her exceptional progress in all subjects. Grace always listens to instructions and approaches independent activities with enthusiasm and a unique style. When we were learning about litter and its impact on the environment, she was inspired by this learning and went litter-picking outside of school. She listens to advice and feedback to make improvements to learning and is always willing to take on board anything that will help her improve, which reflects in the great progress she has made. Grace should be very proud of the work she is producing and it is a delight to teach such an inquisitive and responsible pupil. Keep up the amazing work, Grace!

3C - Jasmine

Jasmine is a polite and considerate student who is kind to all around her. She approaches each day with a positive attitude and is always eager to learn and participate in classroom activities. Jasmine shows resilience in her learning and understands that mistakes help us learn and grow. She seeks feedback on her work and is always willing to take that feedback on to improve. Jasmine consistently shows green choices and is a wonderful role model for her peers. Well done, Jasmine!

3W Frankie

Frankie is a charming, kind and friendly boy who is an asset to 3W. His bright smile and eagerness to succeed is evident daily. Showing amazing resilience, Frankie will listen to feedback and act on it swiftly, knowing how to progress his learning further. Frankie will never give up and therefore has a wonderful 'can do' attitude. Across the curriculum, Frankie is always engaged and thinking critically about the subject, never being afraid to question and probe further. He is always polite to everyone and he has a great sense of fun. Consistently showing super green choices, is yet another reason why he thoroughly deserves this Headteacher's award.

4K - Alyssa

Alyssa has been chosen for the Headteacher's award this term for her fantastic effort, positive attitude and willingness to learn. Alyssa continues to make progress in her reading and consistently embeds strategies to support herself when encountering new or tricky words. During Maths, Alyssa is focused and makes links to understand new mathematical concepts. She exhibits the 5Rs consistently, particularly being resourceful, which has developed her independence immensely. During class discussions, Alyssa will give it a go and has grown in confidence to share her opinion. She is polite, helpful and shows great enthusiasm and a positive approach when she is given a class job. Alyssa can usually be seen demonstrating her kind and bubbly nature to her friends. She makes green choices consistently and listens to feedback effectively. Well done, Alyssa, for a fantastic term.

4P - Shray

Shray has shown a spectacular attitude to all parts of school life this term. He is positive from the moment he walks through the door, thoughtful about his choices and a great friend to many. Shray shows great care and kindness to everyone within the school and is often looking out for children within the playground to ensure they have someone to play with. As somebody who is a role model in 4P, Shray shows consistent green choices and is always looking for ways to support his peers in doing so. As a resilient learner, he looks for ways to improve, accepts that mistakes need to be made in order to learn and is frequently trying to challenge himself. He happily shares his wealth of knowledge with the class, particularly for History and Geography, with a fact always in hand. Shray has grown in confidence in himself, both academically and socially. I cannot wait to see how Shray progresses for the rest of the year and want him to continue to keep up the great effort, kindness and compassion he shares for his peers. Well done, Shray, keep pushing yourself and be proud of yourself, as I am.

5A - Isabella

Despite joining the class later on in the year, it feels as if Isabella has been with us since our journey began in September. Each day, Isabella bounces through the door with a beaming smile on her face and brightens everyone's day in 5A. Despite some challenges, Isabella has let nothing stop her and has continued to face every situation with determination. I can confidently say this from all of 5A: 'we are so proud of you, Isabella and the speedy recovery you have made'. Above all else, Isabella constantly makes green choices and is a true role model for all around her. She is caring, compassionate and an exceptional friend. Her fantastic attitude to learning has truly been reflected in all the brilliant progress she has made with her learning so far this year. I am so excited to see what Isabella puts her mind to in the Summer Term and I can't wait to see what she continues to achieve in all areas of her learning. I am so proud of you, Isabella. Well done!

5P - Marilyn

Marilyn made fantastic progress, both academically and socially, throughout the Spring Term. Her dedicated and determined attitude enabled her to settle quickly and respond to learning instructions well. She made links between previous and current learning, which is a great example of the depth of understanding she is continuing to build. In addition, Marilyn's strong understanding of right and wrong enables her to support peers around her to progress and complete paired or group tasks with the learning intention in mind. Socially, Marilyn thinks of those around her and shows incredible pride and joy when she knows she has helped to make someone else's day better! Well done, Marilyn, for a fantastic term of progress - I look forward to seeing what you can bring to 5P in the Summer Term!

6L - Millie

Millie is a kind, caring and mature member of 6L who has grown in confidence as the year has progressed. Millie is a great friend and role model to both her peers in Year 6 and the younger children in the school, always showing green choices and positive behaviour. Millie comes into school every day showing enthusiasm, a great work ethic and a huge smile. She is helpful around the classroom and school, and has a very mature and responsible attitude. Millie will always put 100% effort into her learning tasks and is resourceful, she is also keen to take on feedback about her learning and is always looking for ways to improve. Millie, it has been a pleasure to teach such a lovely, respectful and enthusiastic student this year and I know you will go on to do great things. You should be really proud of yourself and all of the hard work you have put into Year 6. Well done!

6R Maya K

Maya is a delight to teach and I could not imagine 6R without her! Maya enters school each day, eager to learn and with a smile on her face. As soon as lessons start, she is helping with jobs and ensuring she is listening to gain the most from her learning. When she is stuck, she always gives everything a go first, but is never afraid to ask for help. Maya has the mindset that anything challenging, shows that she is learning and loves when she feels a sense of achievement. I know Maya is going to have a great final term at Saxon but we want her to know that we recognise how amazing she is now! She shows green choices each day and she is loved by all of her friends. Her funny, calming nature allows others to trust her and she can always make us laugh. Maya is thoroughly deserving of this award and we look forward to seeing her accomplish even more! Well done, Maya!

Shepperton Green Sign Competition

Winner Jake (6L)



Runners Up

Imogen (5P)



Methuki (5A)





The Lightbox

EASTER HOLIDAY FUN

CLAY BARTMAN WORKSHOP

with Artist Madi Acharya-Baskerville

For 5-10yrs

Wednesday 3 Apri

2 - 3pm or 3 - 4pt

FREE, Booking advised

£5 Suggested Donation

Young Creatives: CLAY SLAB BUILDING

For 11–16yrs Thursday 11 April 1:30 – 3pm £20

For more details or to book, see our website: www.thelightbox.org.uk



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There are six categories in the competition including one for 7-11 year olds, and for this category any picture of any subject is eligible. The competition is open for entries until midday on 1st June, which is one week before the Fair itself on Saturday 8th June where the prize winners will be announced.

https://shepperton-fair.org/photographic-competition/