



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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



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It's been another busy week and it feels like Autumn is truly upon us now! Please ensure your child comes to school with a jumper or cardigan and a coat, as we like to get outside as much as possible even if the weather is a little dreary.

I start the newsletter this week with updates about what's been happening in school, followed by some reminders about upcoming events. There are also some general reminders too so please be sure to read to the end.

Black History Month

This October, we are celebrating Black History Month by focusing on how Black history is an integral part of British history. Through assemblies and lessons, we will explore this rich legacy by learning about five key figures and their lessons: Mary Seacole, Windrush, Rosa Parks, Dr Maggie Aderin-Pocock and modern changemakers. A letter will be coming home today with more information and a half term challenge for the children, which will create a whole school display celebrating Saxon's diversity.

Harvest Donations

Thank you for the donations we've had in this week; they will be welcomed by local residents. We would still like to donate more so if you're popping to the shops this weekend, please consider adding one extra item to your basket and dropping it into school on Monday morning. Thank you

Y6 Sports Crew Training

On Monday, 12 of our Year 6 Leaders attended the Sports Crew Training led by Active Surrey. From this, they will be leading games in the playground with our younger children throughout the Autumn

Term. Thank you to Mrs Thomas and Mr Venning for taking the children to this training.

SSA AGM

Also on Monday, a select few SSA members attended the AGM. The minutes can be found on the website but we welcomed our new joint chairs – Mrs Pain & Mr Rye. Our new Vice Chair is Mrs Glynn and our new Treasurer will be Mr Glynn. These appointments followed the online voting process shared recently. Thank you to them for putting themselves forward.

A huge thank you to the outgoing committee, particularly Mrs Hopper and Mrs Carman who have been an exceptional support to the school during their time on the committee. We will find a way to thank them properly soon.

See below for more SSA news.

6MP Class Assembly

The children in 6MP wowed us with their History knowledge and musical talents in their class assembly yesterday. They put together a wonderful performance which was enjoyed by their families, in the first of our new class assemblies. Well done to all of them and thank you to Miss Parsons and the team for helping the children prepare. Next week, it's 6JP's turn and we look forward to seeing their family members there.

Key Dates

Oct	
Sat 10 th	9-10am Stay & Play Session for Prospective Reception 2027 Families
Tues 13 th	7:00pm Open Evening for Prospective Reception 2027 Families
Thurs 15 th	9am 6JP Class Assembly – Family Members Invited pm SSA Discos
Fri 16 th	Mufti Day – Chocolate Donations 3:15/20pm End of Autumn I
Nov	
Mon 2 nd	Children return to school
Fri 6 th	SSA Family Firework Event – Gates Open 5:30pm
Wed 11 th	4:00pm-7:00pm Parent Progress Meetings
Thurs 12 th	9:30am Reception 2027 Open Morning 3:40pm-6:30pm Parent Progress Meetings
Sat 14 th	9:00am-10:00am Prospective Reception 2027 Stay & Play Open Event

Hello Yellow Day

The children brightened up a grey day in their yellow accessories today. In assembly, we talked about the importance of talking to someone when we're worried about something and how 'a problem shared, is a problem halved'. Thank you for supporting this themed day.

Year 2 African Drumming Workshop

Yesterday, Year 2 enjoyed an African drumming workshop linking to their Geography learning about Africa. In the workshop, they learnt how to make patterns and that drums were used in the past to send messages. Thank you to Mr Atkinson who came to lead this for the children.

African Drumming Workshop – Reminder

We're really looking forward to welcoming an **African Drumming Workshop** to school on Monday! Our KS2 pupils will have the opportunity to enjoy a fun and exciting musical experience. A gentle reminder that we would be grateful for a **voluntary contribution of £2.50 via Scopay** to help support the cost of this fantastic workshop. Thank you, as always, for your support! 🥁

SSA Updates

We are still looking for a new Secretary to make our committee complete. This person would be required to take minutes at meetings and type them up to be shared on our website, as well as support events. If you're interested please speak to Mrs Pain or Mr Rye.

Don't forget to sign up for the Halloween Discos next week and to buy your Firework Night tickets!

There are two upcoming Mufti days – Friday 16th October & Friday 6th November – in return for wearing their own clothes to school, we ask children to bring in anything chocolately for the Chocolate Tombola Stall.

Please sign up to help at Firework Night. It's such a lovely community event but we can't do it without you!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0445AEA92DA3FCC34-66598125-saxon>

Autumn Term Progress Meetings

These meetings will take place on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November. To make an appointment, please logon to Scopay to book your slot. Online bookings will go live next Friday 16th October at 5pm. It's really important that family members come along and hear how their child/ren are progressing this term, and what you can be doing at home to support them. The online system closes at 1pm on Friday 6th November.

Parking

Unfortunately, family members continue to park across our neighbours' driveways which stops them from getting out of their drive. Please do **not** block driveways or park on double yellow lines. A reminder that Spelthorne Parking Enforcement Team will be carrying

out spot checks at different times of the day throughout the academic year to enforce good parking. Thank you for your cooperation.

Pre-Ordering School Dinners

A reminder that if your child has school dinners, please remember to **pre-order their meals on SchoolGrid**. You can pre-order meals right up until the end of the Autumn Term. Please note that the **cut-off time for same-day ordering is 8:50am**.

If a meal has not been pre-ordered, your child will be provided with the **safe meal option of a plain jacket potato**, in line with the UK Government's mandatory food allergen regulations.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Male Role Models

Are you a dad, stepdad, granddad, foster carer, adoptive parent, uncle or other significant male carer who is involved in your children's lives and provides warm and caring support?

If you answered yes, then this is for you .

We would like your help to better understand how dads and male carers are involved in their children's education and school lives. Current research shows that when dads and male carers are positively involved, children tend to do better across a wide range of areas, including relationships, emotional wellbeing, behaviour, and learning and development.

Below is a link to a short questionnaire that we would ask all our dads and male carers to complete and return, to enable us to identify ways we can make it easier for you to be involved and improve our current support network.

<https://forms.gle/NBcdY32Z6FkxfLy27>

Thank you in advance for your valuable assistance in helping us gather this information.

Vacancies Across the Trust

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic and creative individual who can bring high quality support to children in Early Years Foundation Stage. This is an opportunity for someone who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and aspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please visit:

For more information on these roles please see:
<https://www.eteach.com/job/early-years-teaching-assistant-part-time-1577851>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic and creative individual who can bring high quality support to children in Early Years Foundation Stage. This position combines classroom-based support as an Early Years Teaching Assistant with class leadership responsibilities as a Higher-Level Teaching Assistant. This is an opportunity for someone who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and aspirational team of teaching and support staff.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/eyfs-teaching-assistant--and--higher-level-teaching-assistant-combined-role-1577885>

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For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/send-teaching-assistant-1577977>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint a Breakfast Club Assistant to join our thriving and extremely popular Breakfast Club community, working with an amazing, already established, team of likeminded people, committed to offering first class 'wraparound' care to our Riverbridge children. This is an opportunity for someone who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and aspirational team of teaching and support staff.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/breakfast-club-assistant-1577815>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint an After School Club Assistant to join our thriving and extremely popular After School Club community, working with an amazing, already established, team of likeminded people, committed to offering first class 'wraparound' care to our Riverbridge children. This is an opportunity for someone who is patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and aspirational team of teaching and support staff.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/after-school-club-assistant-1577842>

Achievement Certificates

Certificates of Achievement for demonstrating one of our values (Kindness, Respect, Teamwork, Belonging & Achieving) were awarded to:

KS1

1BA *Isabella (A) & Freddie (K)*
 1B *Hattie (A) & Molly (R)*
 2A *Maeve (A) & Harriet (K)*
 2F *Blossom (R) & Patrick (A)*

KS2

3S *Steven-Charlie (B) & Elki (R)*
 3T *Lisha (B) & Felix (R)*
 4B *Dylan (T) & Evie (K)*
 4M *Leah-Rose (B) & Kendall (K)*
 5D *Marylou (T) & Tamiya (R)*
 5S *Teddy (A) & Sienna (K)*
 6JP *Daisy (B) & Madison (A)*
 6MP *Will (R) & Tiffany (K)*

**Stay on Green**

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Archie (RL); Jack & Wendy-Ann (1BA); Zia & Tommy (2A); Blossom & Bluebell (2F); Ruby (3S); Otis, Phoebe, Ava & Freya (4M); Ben (5D) and Luke (5S) very well done to all of these children!

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Morris
Headteacher

Outside Achievements

- Gabriel (2F) got his yellow (9th Kyu) belt for Goju Ryu Karate

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026	
Tuesday 1 st September 2026	INSET Day 1
Wednesday 2 nd September 2026	INSET Day 2
Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Children return to school
Friday 2 nd October 2026	INSET Day 3
Monday 19 th October – Friday 30 th October 2026	Half term (two weeks)
Friday 18 th December 2026	End of Term (day finishes early)
Spring Term 2027	
Tuesday 5 th January 2027	INSET Day 4
Wednesday 6 th January 2027	Children return to school
Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February 2027	Half term (one week)
Thursday 25 th March 2027	End of Term (day finishes early)
Summer Term 2027	
Monday 12 th April 2027	Children return to school
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2027	Half term (one week)
Tuesday 20 th July 2027	End of Term (day finishes early)
Wednesday 21 st July 2027	INSET Day 5
Thursday 22 nd July 2027	INSET Day 6

Term Dates 2027-2028

Autumn Term 2027	
Wednesday 1 st September 2027	INSET Day 1
Thursday 2 nd September 2027	Children return to school
Friday 1 st October 2027	INSET Day 2
Monday 18 th October to Friday 29 th October (2 weeks)	Half term
Tuesday 21 st December	End of Autumn Term
Spring Term 2028	
Tuesday 4 th January	Start of Spring Term
Monday 14 th to Friday 18 th February	Half Term
Friday 31 st March	End of Spring Term
Summer Term 2028	
Tuesday 18 th April	Start of Summer Term
Monday 29 th May to Friday 2 nd June	Half term
Friday 14 th July	End of Summer Term
Monday 17 th July	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 18 th July	INSET Day 4
Wednesday 19 th July	INSET Day 5



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Learning
Together
Growing
Together

Home Learning **CLUB**



Are you struggling with
your learning at home?



We are starting on
Friday, the 6th of November
after school from 3:20 to 4 o'clock



Home Learning Club



Parents must
accompany their child.



An ideal time to get that
homework out the way,
keep your weekend free,
and with the realisation
that it's all been done.



**Come along,
do the homework,
improve.**





Mobile Phones at Bedtime

Would you allow a stranger into your child's bedroom at night?

No?

Then think about who you are allowing into their bedroom through their phone. When your child is alone in their bedroom at night with a mobile phone or iPad, do you really know what they are experiencing?

- ☐ Who are they talking to?
- ☐ What are they looking at?
- ☐ Who is contacting them?
- ☐ Would they feel able to tell you if something upsetting, inappropriate or frightening appeared on their screen?
- ☐ Would they know what to do if someone online made them feel uncomfortable or pressured them?

⚠ The dangers are real.

Social media, online gaming, messaging apps and internet browsing can expose children to inappropriate content, online bullying, strangers and people who may not have their best interests at heart.

Even a child who knows the rules can find themselves in a situation they do not understand or know how to handle.

❤ As a parent, you have a responsibility to keep your child safe.

One simple step you can take is to remove mobile phones, iPads and other internet-connected devices from your child's bedroom at bedtime.

- ☐ Keep devices downstairs overnight.
- ☐ Set clear boundaries around screen time.
- ☐ Supervise your child's online activity.
- ☐ Talk openly about what they see and who they speak to online.
- ☐ Make sure your child knows they can come to you without fear of being judged or getting into trouble.

A phone-free bedroom at night is a simple step towards a safer child. If you would like any support in how to set safe digital boundaries at home, then please contact me.

Shelly Lumb
Home School Link Worker

Half Term Activity Holiday Camps



Play ★ Learn ★ Grow

Book Here!

**October HT Multi-Activity
Holiday Camps**

Saxon Primary School

Week 1: Monday 19th - Friday 23rd October
Week 2: Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

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The poster features a central image of a young boy reaching up towards a large, clear, spherical structure filled with blue balloons. The background is a vibrant purple with various Halloween-themed illustrations including pumpkins, ghosts, bats, and candy. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical manner, with the camp title and dates prominently displayed in the center.

Outside Activities



Girls play, learn and have tons of fun for ages 4 to 7

Rainbows welcomes girls to come together to laugh, learn and have fun in a creative, supportive space.

	Location: St Hilda's Church Stanwell Road Ashford TW15 3QL
	Day: Wednesday
	Time: 5:00 – 6:00pm
	Contact: 3rdashfordrainbows@gmail.com 07983603086

Join a local Rainbows group: girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

♥ Friendship ♥ Adventure ♥ Skills for Life ♥



Discover Adventure Through Guiding and Scouting!

Millions of young people across the UK benefit from the opportunities offered by Girlguiding and Scouts. These organisations help children develop confidence, resilience and independence, while making new friends and enjoying a wide range of exciting activities.

From camping and outdoor adventures to community projects, creative challenges and leadership opportunities, Guiding and Scouting provide experiences that help young people grow, thrive and create lifelong memories.

We are always keen to promote opportunities that enrich children's lives beyond the school day.

Rainbows
For ages 4 to 7

Rainbows welcomes all girls to come together to laugh, learn and have fun in a creative, safe space. It's a wonderful world of adventure, week after week, just for her.

Brownies
For ages 7 to 10

Brownies is full of firsts: she can explore her creative side, get out into the great outdoors, learn how to look after herself, others and the world we live in.

Guides
For ages 10 to 14

Guides is a fun-filled space, she'll have one big adventure with friends, learn how to be herself, explore the things she loves and do stuff she's never done before!

Rangers
For ages 14 to 18

Rangers is an open and relaxed space, where you can regularly meet up, go on trips at home and abroad, to help make a difference to the things you care about.

If your child is interested in getting involved, we encourage you to explore the local Guiding and Scouting groups in our community. You never know where the adventure might lead!

Find a group near you girlguiding.org.uk

Registered charity number: 200018

Gear4Music Drum Kit - £75
Complete drum kit in good condition.

To buy new, this kit would cost £279.99
If interested, please contact the school office by email info.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

