

A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

This week Mrs Fitch had the delight of judging the many entries for the BPTA Fun Run medal competition. It was a very difficult decision to make but we had to choose an overall winner. Congratulations to Verity K, Y6 who was the overall winner. Verity's design will now appear on the medals awarded at the BPTA Fun Run which takes place here next **Sunday, 13 October 2024**.

During Friday's assembly Mrs Stacey awarded Verity with a 1st place Certificate of Achievement, along with awarding Highly Commended certificates to Annabelle, Y6, Ella, Y6, Isaac, Y2, Matilda, Y4, and Priscilla, Y6. Thank you to everyone who entered and for creating such outstanding artwork.



Please see the BPTA section below for more information regarding this fundraising event.

OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS/CARERS - For parents/carers of children due to start school in September 2025 we will be holding an Open Morning (10:00am start) on Wednesday, 23 October 2024. To register to join us at our Open Morning, please [click here](#). This information morning is also open to existing parents/carers, as things do change over the years.

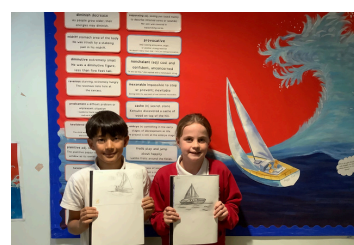
YEAR 6 SATs - The dates for Key Stage 2 SATs next year are **Monday, 12 - Thursday, 15 May 2024**. As these tests are compulsory, please can we ask that parents/carers ensure additional holidays are **not** booked during this time.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK

YEAR 2 - As part of English, the children have been busy creating their own versions of the story "The True Story of the Three Little Pigs". During their lesson they created their own characters and homes. Staff have really enjoyed reading the children's versions of this story. Please do ask your child about the characters and homes they choose.

YEAR 3 - On Thursday the children spent time during Outdoor Learning creating temporary shelters linked to their history topic. The children foraged materials alongside using their 'den building' equipment. Staff were exceedingly impressed by the children's skills and knowledge of what nomadic life in the Stoneage would have been like.

YEAR 5 - During science the children have been looking at the rotation and revolution of the earth and how they give us our day and night, along with our seasons. The children then went on to create diagrams to share their understanding.



SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE:

Congratulations to Archie, Henry and Josh, Year 2 who took part in the Guildfordians Rugby Festival at Stoke Park last Sunday. There were over 1,000 children from all across Surrey at the event and the boys really enjoyed being part of this special tournament. We look forward to hearing all about how you get on throughout the season.

Don't forget to share your child/ren's achievements with us via office@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Whole school nasal Flu Vaccination
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Cafe B - Uniform Shop Uniform Shop
Thursday	
Friday	Uniform Shop



TEAM BOXGROVE

CROSS COUNTRY - Cross Country Race 2 Pewley Down - Flying Sock Takes Victory!

All 15 children (but only 29 shoes!) successfully made it around the Pewley Down Cross Country course yesterday afternoon. Both Finlay P & Annika E once again impressed, each taking a 2nd victory in their respective races. Annika even lost a shoe during the girls race, displaying classic 'Boxgrove resilience' to continue on and still take the win. Great determination and performances from the whole Year 5 and 6 team (including 4 first timers) impressed Mr Woodcock and Mrs Cadge putting #TeamBoxgrove in a great position heading into the Cross Country winter break.



BPTA

We all know that our Boxgrove Parent Teacher Association (BPTA) hosts a variety of fundraising events and activities aimed at strengthening the community and supporting the school throughout the year. But did you know that beyond these events, the BPTA also runs several ongoing fundraising initiatives. Even if you're unable to contribute time or money, there are still simple ways you can support our efforts, like donating unwanted clothes to our recycling bin or using Easy Fundraising when shopping online. These small actions don't cost a penny but can make a big difference in helping us reach our fundraising goals.



Astra Recycling: Help the school raise money by donating all your old clothes, shoes, soft toys, and bed linen. Put the clothes into the bank, located in the car park, and Astra Recycling pay us per kg.

Easy Fundraising: We all shop online, so why not visit Easy Fundraising first, and ensure what you spend also helps raise funds for the BPTA at no extra cost to yourself! easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to the BPTA.

My NameTags: Looking for clothes labels? My Nametags offer colour stickers and permanent, durable iron-ons that are both washer and dryer compatible. Use our special code 29678 when you checkout and My NameTags will donate to the BPTA.

Stikins: Buy stick on school name labels for clothes and all personal items. Easy to apply with no sewing or ironing needed. Use our special code 2458 at checkout and Stikins will donate to the BPTA.

Your School Lottery: Win a Harry Potter double prize bundle! This lottery draw takes place every Saturday, the winners will be notified via email. Match all 6 numbers and you win the £25,000 JACKPOT! Tickets cost £1 a week. Please tell your family and friends about our lottery too, anyone can take part. There is a guaranteed winner from the Boxgrove lottery every single week! [Click here for more information and also the terms & conditions.](#)

Our Next Event! BPTA FUN RUN - The Fun Run taking place at school on **Sunday, 13 October 2024!** Your child should have received a sponsorship form. If not you can download it, and purchase your tickets, from our PTA Events website by [clicking here](#). This is a fantastic fundraising event with plenty of other activities going on and raising money for a great cause. Please email us if you can spare a few hours in the morning on the day of the event, we'll need volunteers to Marshall the track, run the stalls and help out in the canteen selling a variety of food and drinks.

PTA Events - Register Now! - We use the PTA Events website throughout the year to simplify ticketing and payments for our events, auctions, and raffles. To purchase tickets, merchandise, or even make a donation to the PTA, you'll need to create an account. Simply visit www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta and click on "Register" to get started.

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PARKING - PLEASE READ AS THIS AFFECTS US ALL

Parking safely and considerately around our school site is very important to the safety of everyone. Over these past weeks we have received a number of emails and phone calls from local residents, along with members of our school community regarding illegal and inconsiderate parking, even driving along the pavement! Please can we ask:

- That you do not stop or park opposite or within 10 metres (32 feet) of any junction
- You do not park on double or single yellow lines or on the yellow zig-zag lines outside school between the hours of 8:00am - 9:00am and 3:00pm - 4:30pm
- Beatty Avenue is not wide enough for cars to park on both sides
- Please do not park half on the road and half on the pavement at any time as this causes obstruction for families and residents walking
- Please do not block or partially block our neighbours drives

Jordans Close parking bays are for the residents who live in the flats. Please do not park in these spaces as often carers need to visit residents and residents also need to be able to leave their homes/be able to park.

Enforcement Officers will begin patrolling the area and will issue parking fines to any cars that are parked illegally due to the number of issues we are experiencing.

If you are finding that spaces are limited, why not think about 'park and stride' (Guildford Spectrum), scooting, cycling or walking to school where possible. We thank you for your support as we try and keep our community safe.



COMMUNITY

HARVEST ASSEMBLY, FRIDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2024 - We will once again be supporting North Guildford Food Bank and Guildford Action at our Harvest Assembly led by Rev Mark Woodward, St John's Stoke. On the morning of the 18th we would welcome donations from our families which will be shared between the two charities. Please see the poster to the right to see the items they require. Members of our Year 6 Leadership Team, staff and members of the Boxgrove Prayer Group will be outside the Kent Hall to receive your donations at drop-off on the 18th. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

VINTAGE MODEL RAILWAY SHOW , SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2024, 10:00am - 4:00pm - Parents/carers may be interested in the above event which will take place in Mellow Village Hall. Entry is free. You can take your own locomotives to run on a clockwork or electric track, as well as enjoying Lego railway and Lego to build your own trains. If you would like a valuation of any trains you may have, please take them along! For further information email rogerbeazer@aol.com or call 01483 275650.



MUSIC WORKS - The Music Works and Boxgrove School have teamed up to bring more opportunities for affordable group music lessons. Starting this term, children will have the chance to learn and explore music in a new mobile classroom set-up on the school grounds. They can't wait for them to experience this unique and fun way of learning!

Your child is very welcome to join The Music Works for a free music lesson on their chosen instrument (please check website booking page for up-to-date list). To claim your free lesson in only 2 minutes, please sign up at <https://www.themusicworks.uk/free-music-lesson>

Taster sessions coming soon

Harvest Assembly Friday 18th October

Donations in support of:

North Guildford Food Bank - A registered charity supporting people in need in the local community and outlying villages by providing food parcels to ensure no one goes hungry.
Guildford Action - A registered charity working in the local community to support individuals experiencing homelessness as well as isolated families.



Please see below a list of the most needed items, but any donations will be gratefully received. Don't forget to check the use by date on the packaging.

- Drinking chocolate
- Porridge
- Tinned fish
- Fruit squash
- Biscuits
- Spray cleaner
- Instant flavoured noodles
- Items suitable for lunch boxes
- Items where no cooking is required (for rough sleepers)

Please leave your donations outside the Kent Hall at drop-off on 18th October.

A heartfelt THANK YOU

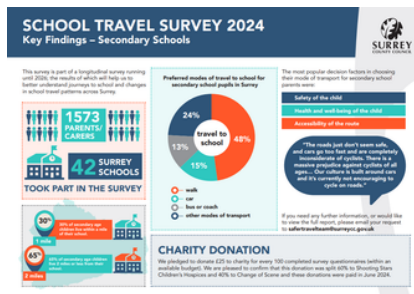
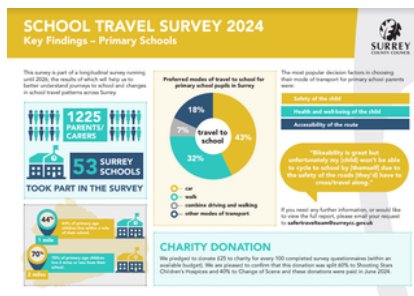


YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

Below you will find all the latest events, information and letters from each year group for this week:

- All the letters are available on our school's website www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk
- The links highlighted below will take you straight to the location where you can view, download and print the letters that are relevant to your child's year group
- Please be advised that all letters are available under the Parent tab, Parent Hub in the event you are unable to open the link.

Year group	Activity / news /trips
Reception	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 1	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 2	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 3	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 4	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 5	Our plans for the week - click here
Year 6	Our plans for the week - click here
Whole School	<p>SCHOOL TRAVEL SURVEY - Please see the flyers to the right for the key findings of the School Travel Survey which will continue on to 2026. We hope you find the results interesting.</p> <p>PICK UP POLICY - How to notify the school if someone else is collecting your child.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In KS1 and Early Years, please let the teacher know in the morning at drop off, or notify a member of staff at Breakfast Club. • In KS2, as long as your child knows who is collecting them, you do not need to notify the teacher. <p>Please only notify the School Office if there is a change of collection that your child was unaware of in the morning.</p> <p>SCHOOL GATES - The entrance gates to school will be open from 8:30am and again at 3:10pm. Please can we ask that you do not access the school site prior to these times during drop-off and pick-up. For Breakfast club the main pedestrian gate will open at 7:25am to allow you to drop off from 7:30am.</p> <p>We ask parents NOT to walk through the car park.</p>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

IF DATES ARE IN **RED** THEY ARE NEW DATES. IF DATES ARE IN **BLUE** THEY ARE AMENDED DATES.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2023 - 2024	
7 October	Whole school nasal Flu Vaccination
14 October	Year 4 River Wey (4W)
13 October	BPTA Fun Run
18 October	Year 4 River Wey (4CH)
21 October	Year 4 River Wey (4A)
22 October	Year 6 Hampton Court Visit
23 October	Open morning for prospective parents - Reception 2025 entry
25 October	Inset Day - School closed for children
28 Oct - 1 Nov	Half term
4 November	School re-opens for children
8 November	Year 2 Great Fire of London Workshop (more info to follow)
11 November	Individual School Photographs
12 November	Parents' Consultations 3:30pm - 5:45pm
13 November	Parents' Consultation 3:30pm - 7:30pm
25 November	Year 3 Natural History Museum Virtual Workshop
27 November	Years 5 & 6 Rocksteady Concert - Rocksteady to notify Parents
29 November	BPTA mufti day in exchange for bottle or box or chocolates
29 November	Years 3 & 4 Rocksteady Concert - Rocksteady to notify parents
30 November	BPTA Christmas Fair
3 December	String Christmas Concert (Details to follow)



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3 December	Reception Christmas Play - 9:15am
4 Decemeber	Year 1 Christmas Play - 2pm
4 December	Year 2 Christmas Play - 9:15am
5 December	Year 1 Christmas Play - 2pm
5 December	Reception Christmas Play - 9:15am
9 December	Reception health screening and NCMP
11 December	KS2 Christmas Service (Details to follow)
12December	KS2 Christmas Service (Details to follow)
20 December	School closes at 1.10pm for Christmas holidays
6 January	School re-opens for children
21 - 22 January	PTA School Disco
27, 28 & 30 January	Year 3 Feet First Road Safety Training
7 February	BPTA Painting and Prosecco
17 Feb - 21 Feb	Half term
4 March	Sponsored Pancake Flip
22 March	Quiz Night
4 April	School closes at 1.10pm for Easter Holidays
22 April	School re-opens for children
23 - 25 April	Year 4 Henley Fort Residential
12 - 16 May	Year 5 Ironbridge Residential



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12 - 15 May	Year 6 End of Key Stage 2 SATs week
26 May - 30 May	Half Term
2 June	School re-opens for children
10 - 13 June	Year 6 Ross-on-Wye Residential
21 June	BPTS Summer fair
11 July	BPTA Family BBQ
16 July	Meet the teacher 3:30pm - 5pm
18 July	School closes at 1:10pm for Summer Holidays
21 - 22 July	Inset days