

A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

BABY NEWS! We are delighted to share some wonderful news - Mr and Mrs Attenborough welcomed their beautiful baby daughter to the world last Friday! Both mum and baby are doing brilliantly, and the whole family are enjoying soaking up those first precious cuddles, along with a little less sleep than usual! We are sure you will join us in sending them all our heartfelt congratulations as they begin this exciting new chapter together. What a lovely way to end our week. We look forward to meeting baby Attenborough and welcoming her to our Boxgrove family soon.



YEAR 1 PHONICS MORNING - We hope that for those of you who were able to join this session led by Ms Herfield and Miss Warren that you found it informative and supportive. Please do not worry if you were unable to join the session, as a copy of the PowerPoint shared can be found on our school website under the Year 1, Year Group Page, Curriculum Resources / Meetings or by [clicking here](#).



WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK...

YEAR R - Reception became meteorologists this week whilst looking at the different types of weather and in particular, where wind comes from and what it is. They have also been busy creating some beautiful cloud artwork linked to their studies. During PE the children were full of energy as they honed their dance skills to create a simple sequence. Staff have really enjoyed seeing their creativity, enthusiasm and coaching skills come to life.



YEAR 2 - On Friday the children enjoyed a fun 'hands-on' science experiment to see which material would make a better bag. They tested four different options - plastic, card, paper and fabric to see how each one coped with carrying weight. They quickly discovered that material behaves differently depending on their properties such as strength, flexibility and how well they resist water. There was great chatter amongst the year group as they discussed their predictions and which bag they thought should be voted the overall winner. Please do ask your child to share their thoughts with you.



YEAR 4 - The children have been busy formalising their persuasive writing in literacy to encourage people to visit Sicily. This week they focused on the foods of the island to add this as a 'hook' to their brochures. Of course pizza and gelato were on the menu! Friday saw Year 4 head off to Marwell Zoo as part of looking at the 'food chain' during science. They had a fantastic time exploring and learning - ask your child whether they managed to spot the sloth! A huge thank you to all our parents/carers who supported the children and staff to ensure a great day was had by all.



YEAR 6 - This week Year 6 successfully created their pinhole cameras to mirror how the eye works using nothing more than a shoebox. Once their cameras were ready, they observed a flickering candle flame which, magically, to their surprise, appeared upside down! This hands-on experiment has allowed them to have a greater understanding of how light travels and how our eyes form images. Why not give this a go at home to see for yourselves?

GROVENTURE BOOKINGS NOW OPEN



GROVENTURE JOIN US AT
Boxgrove Primary School
Boxgrove Lane
Guildford GU1 2TD
(01483) 563701

DATES
Week 1: 31st March 2026 - 2nd April 2026
Week 2: 7th April 2026 - 10th April 2026

AGES 4 - 11
(All children must be of primary school age.)

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	Yr3&4 Rocksteady concert - invite only
Tuesday	Y4 Strings 2GG Guildford Castle Y5 Spring Bonanza 2pm
Wednesday	Cafe B and Uniform Shop 2W Guildford Castle Yr5&6 Rocksteady concert - invite only
Thursday	4A Class assembly 9am 2SC Guildford Castle
Friday	Uniform Shop Yr1&2 Rocksteady concert - invite only Y5 Wisley Y3 Spring Bonanza 2pm



BIG WALK AND WHEEL / BOXGROVE BIKE BUS

We are taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from Monday, 16 March 2026 to Friday, 27 March 2026. How will you travel to school? To find out more, please click [here](#).

BOXGROVE BIKE BUS - Don't forget you can join the Stoke Park bike bus every Friday morning for a fun and active journey to school. Meet at 8:10am on London Road <https://maps.app.goo.gl/QGoMVwBsqRPWf4u5A>]

Burpham bike bus route: we're also looking into a route from Burpham, let us know if you'd like to be involved <https://chat.whatsapp.com/LVPD2pULDFG4aFFif05hyl?mode=hq2tcla>



KINDNESS WORKSHOP

On Friday, 6 March 2026 we welcomed '52 Lives' to Boxgrove for an interactive 'kindness' presentation and workshop. It was a wonderful opportunity to stop and think about how we spread kindness each day by doing something small but meaningful. The feedback from the children has been extremely positive and staff have been inundated with 'acts of kindness!' As part of the workshop the children also wrote messages and made cards for peers in their class. Please do take this opportunity to ask your children about the key learning points from the day. We look forward to hearing more positive news stories from our families.



COMMUNITY

ST CATHERINE'S SCHOOL ORCHESTRA, INVITATION TO JOIN! - In the Summer Term, St Catherine's is delighted to offer an orchestra for students from Year 5 upwards and warmly invite Year 5 and Year 6 students from Boxgrove to join free of charge. There is no audition, and the orchestra is open to students playing an orchestral instrument at approximately Grade 3 standard or above (exam not required). Rehearsals and the final concert will take place in the St Catherine's Auditorium. Sessions run from 4.10pm (with tea) to 5.45pm. Students must be dropped off and collected by a parent or responsible adult. To find out more, please email via music@stcatherines.info.

ST JOHN'S COMMUNITY SUPPORT - St John's is offering free meal distributions again this Easter. This includes two frozen meals for each member in the family, plus a range of dry/tinned foods, desserts and fresh fruit and veg. See attached picture for typical package for family of four. The exact selection depends on what we have in stock (which depends on what we get from our suppliers) so will vary with each distribution. The delivery will take place on Thursday 2 April between 10am and 2pm. Please email Nicki Woodward including your name, contact details (address and number) and number of adults and children in family along with any dietary requirements or allergies. Any questions please contact: Nicki Woodward on hslw2@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk



NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY - The National Autistic Society is offering the following free courses after Easter to parents and carers of children aged 6-18 who live or have a GP in Surrey (no diagnosis required).

- Stepping Up for Autism – 8-week course
- EarlyBird Plus (ages 6-10) – 6 weeks
- Teen Life (ages 10-18) – 6 weeks
- Two groups will run at Rowley's, Cranleigh from 16 April:
- Teen Life: 10:00-12:30
- EarlyBird Plus: 18:00-20:30



Info and booking: Surrey.familysupport@nas.org.uk

EASTER EVENTS at Haslemere Museum

Monday 30 March 11-1pm EARLY BIRDS Dinosaur workshop for 5-11s	Tuesday 31 March 10-11am EASTER CRAFTS & GARDEN TRAIL A family walk	Thursday 2 April 10-11am FELTING WORKSHOP For Mums only
Monday 7 April 10-11am CRAFTS A family craft activity	Thursday 9 April 10-11am SPACE For School Children	Friday 10 April 10-11am LEGO DROP-IN A family activity

FIND OUT MORE & BOOK AT haslemereuseum.co.uk/whatson

SIME WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY 15th April 19:00 - 21:00

£15 per Adult

The Hive Gallery, Worplesdon (near Boxgrove)

Be inspired by the work of Sime & enjoy a glass of Prosecco

For further information: enquiries@simegallery.org.uk 07951024220

EASTER WORKSHOP

28th March 2026 10am - 12pm

Children's Activities & Crafts

Free Refreshments

St. Mary's Church, Worplesdon

Includes: Crafts, Refreshments

Explore, rescue and protect this Easter 28 March - 12 April 2026

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WE WILL BE SERVING COFFEE, TEA, HOT CHOCOLATE, BACON ROLLS & CAKE IN THE CAR PARK

ALL MONIES TO BE DONATED TO COMIC RELIEF WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



BPTA



BPTA MEETING, 9:00AM, 24 MARCH 2026 IN THE BUZZ ROOM - WHY GETTING INVOLVED WITH THE PTA MAKES A REAL DIFFERENCE - Behind every school fair, quiz night, pancake flip and family BBQ, there's a small group of volunteers helping to make it all happen — and that group is the PTA.

The PTA exists to support the school and enrich the experience of every child at Boxgrove. Through events, fundraising and partnerships with local businesses, we're able to provide additional resources that directly benefit the children — from books and technology to equipment and learning materials that enhance their school experience.

The PTA is about much more than fundraising. It's about community.

Getting involved is a fantastic way to meet other parents, feel more connected to the school and play a part in creating fun and memorable experiences for the children. Many parents say volunteering at events is one of the easiest ways to get to know other families and feel part of the Boxgrove community.

The great thing is that every little bit of help makes a difference. Some people join the committee and help organise events, while others volunteer for an hour at the Summer Fair, help with set-up or lend a hand behind the scenes. There's no pressure — just opportunities to get involved in whatever way works for you.

If you'd like a taste of the PTA community spirit, our Quiz Night on Saturday 21st March is the perfect opportunity. There are still a few final tickets available, [click here for more information](#), so gather some friends, form a team and come along for an evening of laughs, good company and friendly competition. It's always a brilliant night and a great way to experience the welcoming Boxgrove community vibe first-hand.

If you're curious about helping out — whether regularly or just occasionally — we'd love to hear from you. Together we can continue to make Boxgrove a vibrant, supportive and inspiring place for every child.

Dates for the Diary

21 March 2026 - Quiz Night

24 March - BPTA Catch Up

13 June 2026 - Summer Fair

3 July 2026 - Summer Family BBQ



Pop them in the calendar now — they'll be here before we know it!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support — whether that's buying a ticket, volunteering your time or simply spreading the word. It all makes a real difference.

BOXGROVE PTA – “DOING MORE TOGETHER”

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SWIMMING

IT'S A FISH OUT Last Saturday two teams competed at Dorking Pools in It's a Fish Out, a water safety and life saving competition. The children threw and coiled ropes, dived for bricks, sculled, swam, threw and caught balls as well as answering quick fire questions. Both teams were complimented on their water safety knowledge which made Mrs Tait and Mrs Gurney very proud, especially as the whole school will be focussing on this subject in swimming lessons in the summer term.

Isabel, Caspar, Nicholas and Cara came first, taking home the trophy to Boxgrove for the third year in a row! Isaac, Bailey, Zoe and Matilda came seventh, beating quite a few 'A' teams. It was a most successful and enjoyable evening.



One of the judges was so impressed with Boxgrove's behaviour, she emailed the Head Teachers. "I was a judge at the gala on Saturday evening. Your children were a delight, polite and courteous. Very well organised and I felt a credit to your school, which is why I felt I would write." Well done, Team Boxgrove!



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.

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>LIBRARY BOOKS - Make Mrs Holmes happy! We have (or actually don't have) 186 overdue library books! Please have a look at home to see if any are lurking in your book piles, and return them as soon as you can.</p> <p>MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY - We are looking for a part-time midday supervisor to join our team. Please email admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk for an application form or drop into the office.</p>



SPORTS NEWS

YEAR 5 BEE NETBALL Monday after school saw our Year 5 Netball team attend George Abbot School for an inter school tournament. Their first tournament of the year and their first time playing to strict Bee Netball rules. Achieving a win, a draw and a loss Miss Apps and Mrs Kern were very impressed with the team effort and resilience shown by all players. A special shout out to Libby M who has been struggling with an ankle injury this term but was able to put in a great performance. Congratulations!



GHS SWIMMING GALA On Tuesday 45 members of our swim team headed to Guildford High School for a gala. Well done to everyone who took part, there was some fantastic swimming and exciting finishes. Isabel, Ella T, Cara, Matilda K, Theo F and Seb R were all stand out helpers in team organisation, encouragement and care for the younger swimmers, great team work!

KS2 PANATHLON Mr Hughes led a KS2 Panathlon team in a variety of events on Wednesday morning. Hosted by George Abbot School, children had the opportunity to take part in a range of activities alongside other local schools. Activities included new age kurling and the very popular bean bag toss. The children represented Boxgrove brilliantly and were very proud of their achievements and medals. Many thanks to all the staff supporting the children throughout the event.



FOOTBALL FESTIVAL Huge thanks to Miss Watts and Miss Brown for supporting our team at the Year 6 Football Festival hosted by Boxgrove on Thursday evening. The festival is organised to provide an opportunity for children who have not yet had the chance to represent their school in a football match. Ignoring the cold, wet and windy weather, five schools went head-to-head over five rounds of matches across two pitches on the main field. Boxgrove finished a competitive third in the table just missing out on a place in the final. Shout outs to our star player Leo M and Michael H for producing some great saves. Congratulations to our whole squad, we hope you enjoyed playing and representing Boxgrove!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026

16 March	Yrs 3&4 Rocksteady concert - invite only
17 March	2GG Guildford Castle
17 March	Y5 Spring Bonanza 2pm
18 March	Yrs 5&6 Rocksteady concert - invite only
18 March	2W Guildford Castle
19 March	4A Class assembly 9am
19 March	2SC Guildford Castle
20 March	Y5 Wisley
20 March	Yrs 1&2 Rocksteady concert - invite only
20 March	Y3 Spring Bonanza 2pm
21 March	BPTA Parent and Carer Quiz Night
24 March	BPTA meeting 9am
27 March	School closes at 1:10pm for Easter Holidays
30 March - 10 April	Easter holiday
13 April	School reopens for children
20 April	Class photos
22 April	3L Class assembly 9am
30 April	1LP Class assembly 1:15pm
4 May	Bank Holiday
6-8 May	Y4 Henley Fort residential
8 May	Reception Bocketts Farm
25-29 May	Half Term



4 June	4F Class assembly 9am
10 June	3P Class assembly 9am
8-12 June	Y5 Ironbridge residential
13 June	BPTA Summer Fair
15 June	Whole School Photo
17 June	6B Class assembly 9am
18 June	2W Class assembly 2.20pm
23 June	District Sports
25 June	1A Class assembly 2.15pm
29 June	Inset day - School closed for children
3 July	BPTA Summer Barbeque
7-10 July	Y6 Hindleap Warren residential
17 July	School closes 1.10pm for Summer Holidays