

### A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

We hope you enjoyed your Easter breaks. We now look forward to all that the Summer term has to bring and have lots of exciting things planned. Please do keep abreast of the Dates for your Diary below to ensure you don't miss out on anything.

**STAFFING NEWS** - This week we welcomed the following new members of staff to Boxgrove - Mrs Claire Andrews, Teaching Assistant (Year R), Mrs Rachael Fox, Classteacher (Y2), Mrs Katrina Luklinska, Teaching Assistant(Y4) and Miss Eliza Sherry Classteacher, (Y2), We also welcomed back Miss Sharp (Y2) from her second placement at Northmead School. We are sure you will give them all a warm Boxgrove welcome when you see them.

### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK...

**YEAR R** - We can't believe that we have already reached the Summer term. Since joining us in September the children have made incredible progress on their learning journeys and we have a bumper summer term planned. This week the children have been learning all about mini beasts and their importance to the environment. A particular highlight was going on a nature walk to collect natural materials to allow them to design and build their very own 'bug hotels'. We hope you enjoyed discussing these hotels with your child, and if you placed it outside, we would love to see a photo of any inhabitants who have made it their home. Please share via your your child's Seesaw account.

**YEAR 2** - There was great excitement in the air on Tuesday when Year 2 were invited to make their way to the Bull Hall - why, who, what? Can you imagine the look on their faces as they were greeted by Mr and Mrs Twit! Mr and Mrs Twit were having lunch and really weren't very kind to each other, playing tricks on one another. Mrs Twit put worms in Mr Twit's spaghetti and Mr Twit made Mrs Twit think she had shrunk! The children loved this story. There was much laughter. What a super way to ignite their imaginations as they will be reading The Twits in English this half term. If you haven't already seen a snippet from Tuesday, please visit our Instagram account @BoxgroveSchool.

**YEAR 4** - Following on from their trip to Marwell Zoo this half term, the children will focus on the book 'Zoo' written by Anthony Browne. The book focuses on a families trip to the zoo and how the animals may be feeling. This story is quite thought-provoking which led to a class debate regarding if animals should be kept in captivity. The children showed great maturity as they expressed their opinions, sharing the pros and cons. Over the coming weeks during English the children will plan and create stories of their own about a visit to a farm. We look forward to reading them over the weeks to come.

**YEAR 6** - As part of History, the children have begun studying what it would have been like to have lived during the 18<sup>th</sup> century and in particular, the impact of slavery. This week they have been looking at several sources to consider what they showed about the slave trade. This prompted a lot of discussion on the subject and already they have had some well-considered discussions. The children are looking forward to learning more about this topic over the coming weeks when they look at Black History through the centuries in Britain. This important topic supports the children in developing empathy, critical thinking, and an awareness of how the past has shaped the world we live in today.



### SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE...

Bryony, Year 2 showed an incredible Act of Kindness recently when she approached her family and shared that she would like to donate her hair to the Little Princess Trust to help create a wig for a child who has lost their hair due to illness. What an absolutely lovely thing to have done Bryony. Like your family, we too think you are truly inspiring and we love your new hairstyle.



Huge congratulations to Sofia, Year 5 who recently sat her ABRSM piano exam and passed with a distinction. Sofia has shown true resilience in preparing for this exam and is now looking forward to continuing to the next level. Best of luck Sofia.



### THE WEEK AHEAD

<b>Monday</b>	School clubs start Class photos
<b>Tuesday</b>	Y4 Strings
<b>Wednesday</b>	Cafe B and Uniform Shop
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	Uniform Shop



# CHOIR SPECTACULAR AT DORKING HALLS

**WELL DONE TO OUR WONDERFUL BOXGROVE CHOIR!** They have worked so hard since September learning lots of quite complicated songs, from a range of genres and eras. They sang sea-shanties, English folk songs, Latin canons from the 16th century, and a song that was just written last year about the love of a parent to a child. This was made all the more beautiful when the whole audience shone and waved their torches at the singing ensemble: a very touching, goose-bumpy kind of moment in which the children's faces were filled with surprise and delight! The choir were singing with seven other schools and together they sounded fantastic. A little highlight for us though was that Boxgrove also sang Andrew Lloyd Webber and Gary Barlow's *Sing* on their own, with the marvellous Mrs Wright as their conductor. There was not a dry eye in the house! A mesmerising performance!



## DISTRICT SPORTS

### THE DISTRICT SPORTS TEAM NEEDS YOU!

Mr Hughes and Mrs Cadge would like to give all KS2 children the opportunity to attend some lunch time trials for throwing events to take place at District Sports. The trials will take place on the top field on Friday lunch times on the following dates:

**Friday 24 April - Vortex/Howler**

**Friday 1 May - Chest Push (Y3/4) and Shot Put (Y5/6)**

If your child has a talent for throwing the vortex/howler or has a super strong chest push please do encourage them to attend. Children will attend lunch in their year groups at the normal time and then come up to the top field. Children showing talent for the events will be invited to District Sports Club after half term to practise the event with possibility of selection for District Sports.

### YOUR DISTRICT SPORTS TEAM NEEDS YOU!

#### TRIALS AT LUNCH TIME

FRIDAY  
24TH APRIL  
**VORTEX  
THROW**

FRIDAY  
1ST MAY  
**CHEST  
PUSH (Y3/4)  
& SHOT PUT  
(Y5/6)**



## COMMUNITY

**BECOME A WALKING INSTRUCTOR WITH SCC** The 'Feet First: Walking Training' course provides trainees in Yr3 with vital road safety skills to better enable them to safely walk to and from school with an adult and prepare them for future independent travel.

A Walking Instructor will be able to lead a small group of seven to eight year old pupils in the playground and on the road, outside the school gates, to provide them with necessary road safety skills and knowledge. Delivering an informative, robust and entertaining programme of learning that highlights the necessary road safety skills, providing Yr3 pupils with the foundation to feel safe and comfortable as a pedestrian navigating Surrey's roads.

This role has a starting salary of £13.35 per hour. This is a term time position with no set or guaranteed hours. For more information on this position, click [here](#)



### SALLY WERRY PIANO AND FLUTE LESSONS

To try five weeks' lessons with Sally, contact her directly on [sallyawerry@gmail.com](mailto:sallyawerry@gmail.com) and she will give you full details.



**SURREY ADULT FAMILY LEARNING** Surrey Family Learning Summer online programme is now available to view and book courses.

You can view the Family Learning website here: [Family learning adult learning courses - Surrey County Council](#)

Have a look at the flyer below and click through for more information for the free courses available.

**WHY SHOULD YOU SIGN UP YOUR KIDS FOR boogie pumps?**

WOULDN'T IT BE BORING IF WE WERE ALL THE SAME?!

AT BOOGIE PUMPS WE VALUE INDIVIDUALITY AND CELEBRATE ALL OF OUR KIDS TALENT.

WE LOVE TO SEE KIDS GROW IN CONFIDENCE AND ABILITY, SEEING CHILDREN HAVING THE TIME OF THEIR LIVES DANCING, TO US IT IS A JOB WELL DONE.

WE OFFER A VARIETY OF DANCE CLASSES THAT ARE HIGH ENERGY, FUN, CREATIVE AND ARE DESIGNED TO KEEP KIDS ENGAGED AND EXCITED.

**WHY SHOULD I SEND MY CHILD TO A DANCE CLASS?**

DANCE SPARKS A CHILD'S CREATIVITY AND INCREASES THEIR DEXTERITY AND PHYSICAL FITNESS.

ATTENDING BOOGIE PUMPS CAN IMPROVE YOUR CHILD'S SOCIAL SKILLS AS WELL AS DEVELOPING PERSISTENCE, MOTIVATION TO REACH NEW GOALS AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING. YOU NEVER KNOW... THEY MIGHT ALSO HAVE FUN!

**FUN FACTS ABOUT BOOGIE PUMPS GUILDFORD:**

1. HANNAH SET UP BP 15 YEARS AGO WITH A CHILDREN, NOW WE HAVE OVER 100 CHILDREN WEEKLY.
2. OUR STAFF ARE PROFESSIONAL, NOT ONLY DO THEY DO A JOB IN THE CLASSROOM THEY ALSO PERFORM.
3. A LOT OF OUR TEACHERS SPECIALISE IN WORKING WITH CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.
4. WE NOW HAVE 7 FRANCHISES.

**JOIN THE MERROW CRICKET CLUB U11s TEAM!**

Merrow Cricket Club is excited to welcome boys and girls in School Year 6 to join our growing and enthusiastic U11s squad.

With more young players getting involved in our Junior Section than ever before, it's a great time to come along, learn new skills, make friends, and enjoy being part of a team. Whether your child is new to cricket or already loves the game, everyone is welcome.

Our summer training sessions will run every Saturday morning at Merrow Cricket Club, starting on 25th April 2016. Sessions are fun, active, and led by supportive coaches who focus on helping players develop and enjoy the game.

If your child would like to get involved or you'd like to find out more, please contact: **Geoff Payer** [geoffpayer78@gmail.com](mailto:geoffpayer78@gmail.com)

**Merrow Cricket Club**

For more details about Merrow Cricket Club please visit: [www.merrowcc.co.uk](http://www.merrowcc.co.uk)

**GUILD FORD SAINTS F.C.**

**GIRLS FOOTBALL TRIALS**

JOIN AN ESTABLISHED, AWARD-WINNING CLUB PROVIDING FOOTBALL FOR ALL LEVELS

- Highly qualified professional coaches (UEFA A licensed head coach)
- 18 girls teams U8-U18
- Weekly training on 3G pitch (Mondays) & league matches (Sundays)
- Surrey FA Grassroots Club of the Year 25/26

**MON 27TH APRIL + MON 1ST JUNE**  
5-6pm (08-11) 6-7pm (11-14) 7-8pm (15-18) 8-9pm (19-11)

Kings College School, Guildford GU2 8BB / 36th place

TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL DAWN DAVIES: [info@guildfordsaints.org](mailto:info@guildfordsaints.org)

**FAMILY LEARNING**

**Free Courses for parents and carers**

Surrey Family Learning offer **FREE** courses and workshops to help you create a better family life.

Do you want to help your child or teenager to improve their behaviour, development and learning? Book onto one of our tailored courses today to begin supporting you and your family. Find more information at: [surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning](http://surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning) ...or scan here

**Courses available**

- Parenting** Help understand your children and teenagers' behaviour, anxiety and mental health.
- English as an Additional Language** Support for you and your child with English and how education in England works.
- Maths** Learn about methods used in schools today.
- Literacy** Learn about how English is taught in schools today.
- Cookery** Be inspired and cook healthy family dishes together.

**SURREY ADULT FAMILY LEARNING**

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# BPTA

We hope you've all had a lovely Easter break and enjoyed some well-earned time with family and friends. It's been a busy and successful time for the PTA, and we're delighted to share some highlights, along with what's coming up next.



**Quiz Night Success!** - A huge thank you to everyone who joined us for our Quiz Night last month. It was a fantastic evening filled with laughter, teamwork and a brilliant community atmosphere. We're thrilled to share that together we raised over £1,800 for the school — an incredible result that will directly support all Boxgrove pupils. And of course, congratulations to our winning team, Les Quizerables — a brilliant name and a well-deserved victory. We should also note (with a small smile) that this year it was a parents' team who took the crown, not the teachers...

Events like this simply wouldn't be possible without the hard work of our organisers, the support of our volunteers and helpers, and of course everyone who came along and took part. We're very lucky to have such a supportive school community — thank you for making it such a success.



**PTA Meeting - Everyone Welcome!** - Our next PTA meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 May at 9:00am. These meetings are informal, friendly and open to everyone — whether you'd like to get involved, share ideas or simply find out more about what we do. We'd love to see some new faces there.

**Looking Ahead** - With the success of Quiz Night behind us, we're now turning our attention to the [Summer Fair](#) on Saturday, 13 June 2026 and [Summer BBQ](#) on Wednesday, 3 July 2026, which are two of the biggest highlights of the school year. For more information visit [www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta).

**Get Involved** - The PTA is all about creating memorable experiences for the children, supporting the school through fundraising, and building a strong school community. Whether you can help regularly or just occasionally, every bit of support makes a real difference. If you're interested in helping, please email [boxgrovepta@gmail.com](mailto:boxgrovepta@gmail.com).

And finally... If you've ever thought about getting involved with the PTA, now is a great time. Volunteering really doesn't have to take up much time — even an hour here or there makes a genuine difference. It's also a great way to meet other parents, feel more connected to the school, and be part of creating memorable experiences for the children. Many of our volunteers say it's one of the most enjoyable and rewarding ways to get involved in school life.

Whether you can help once, occasionally, or a little more regularly, every contribution matters — and we'd love to have you involved.

## BOXGROVE PTA – “DOING MORE TOGETHER”

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## SWIMMING NEWS



**BIATHLON** On March 18, 16 Boxgrove children took part in the Great British Schools Biathlon finals in Bath. They had taken part in one of the qualifier events last year where Yr3/4 compete in a 25m swim and a 400m run whilst year Yr5/6 swim 50m and run 800m. It was a big competition and all of our children rose to the challenge with determination. Every child improved their swim time from the last event and nearly all children improved their run time too. In any event we attend we always encourage them to do their best and try to do better than last time so we are incredibly proud of everyone's efforts.


An extra special well done goes to Seb R, George A and Jack M who placed 3rd in the team event for Yr5 boys. Seb R was also one of our children who placed within the top 10 finishers in the individual categories along with Orla P, Isabel W and Theo R. Congratulations to all these children along with Ella G, Agnes K-H, Juliette N, Amalia B, Naomi P, Anna U, George H, Guillem M-d-M, Arthur E and Caspar A for a marvellous weekend of sport!



# 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](http://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.

<b>Reception</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 1</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 2</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 3</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 4</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 5</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Year 6</b>	Our plans for the week - <a href="#">click here</a>
<b>Whole School</b>	<p><b>ARRIVING AFTER 8.50am</b> - Please bring your child in through the front office if you arrive after 8.50 <b>EVEN IF THE GATES ARE OPEN</b>. We appreciate your support with this. <b>Registers close at 8.50.</b></p> <p><b>SWIM PAYMENTS</b> - This term's swimming payments are now on your MCAS app. Please have a look for any outstanding trips that might also be there. Thank you.</p> <p><b>MIDDAY SUPERVISOR VACANCY</b> - We are looking for a part-time midday supervisor to join our team. Please email <a href="mailto:admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk">admin@boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk</a> for an application form.</p> 

## SPORTS NEWS



**Y6 OUTDOOR BEE NETBALL TOURNAMENT** With some of our regular Y6 players unavailable, a small squad attended an inter-school Bee Netball Tournament after school on Friday 20 March. Under beautiful skies on the outdoor courts at Surrey Sports Park, the team played with great energy and determination. Huge congratulations to Katie H, McKenzie S (playing up from Y5!), Nada G, Sophie H and Zoe T - you should all be incredibly proud of your results: two great wins, one draw and one defeat. Well done girls!

**Y5/6 NETBALL v ST JOSEPH'S** The last Monday of term saw St Joseph's visit Boxgrove for some friendly matches after school. In addition to great practice for our regular netball squad, this was an opportunity for some of our club attendees to experience their first competitive match. The spoils were shared with a victory for the Boxgrove Y6 team and a very strong St Joseph's Y5 team. Well done to all our players. Many thanks to Miss Apps and Mrs Kern for their continued support of the girls through netball club and all inter-school netball events.



**Y3/4 GUILDFORDIANS TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL** Thursday 26 March saw two teams of Y3/4 rugby players make the trip down to Stoke Park to attend the Guildfordians Tag Rugby Festival. Initial skills warm ups were followed by inter school matches. With some great play shown by both teams. Y4 achieved three wins, one loss and a draw, while Y3 won two, drew two and lost one. Congratulations to all our players, representing Boxgrove brilliantly with shout outs to Josh G (outstanding performance) and Tom W (sportsmanship). Huge thanks to Mr Phillips, Mr Herbert and Mr Grove for supporting the children.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026

20 April	Class photos
20 April	School run clubs start
22 April	3L Class assembly 9am
28 April	Yr R,1&2 BGT Final (invitation only)
29 April	Yr 5&6 BGT Final (invitation only)
30 April	Yr 3&4 BGT Final (invitation only)
30 April	1LP Class assembly 1:15pm
6-8 May	Y4 Henley Fort residential
8 May	Reception Bocketts Farm
12 May	Y2 Painshill Park
18 May	Sports week
20 May	Sports Day and whole school picnic - more information to follow
25-29 May	Half Term
2 June	Sally Werry Piano Concert (invitation only)
4 June	4F Class assembly 9am
10 June	3P Class assembly 9am
8-12 June	Y5 Ironbridge residential



<b>13 June</b>	<b>BPTA Summer Fair</b>
<b>15 June</b>	<b>Whole School Photo</b>
<b>17 June</b>	<b>6B Class assembly 9am</b>
<b>18 June</b>	<b>2W Class assembly 2.20pm</b>
<b>23 June</b>	<b>District Sports</b>
<b>25 June</b>	<b>1A Class assembly 2.15pm</b>
<b>29 June</b>	<b>Inset day - School closed for children</b>
<b>2 July</b>	<b>Y4 Strings Concert at GHS (more details to follow)</b>
<b>3 July</b>	<b>BPTA Summer Barbeque</b>
<b>7-10 July</b>	<b>Y6 Hindleap Warren residential</b>
<b>17 July</b>	<b>School closes 1.10pm for Summer Holidays</b>