

A MESSAGE FROM MRS FITCH AND MRS STACEY

It was super to see everyone come together last Saturday for our annual BPTA Summer Fair. The weather was perfect and it was lovely to see so many families and members of our local community enjoying themselves. We would like to thank everyone who made the day the success it was - whether you helped set-up, help on a stall, clear away or helped in some other way, THANK YOU! These events do not organise themselves and we would like to send special thanks to Nicole G, Tanya H and their Summer Fair team; Natalie B, Lisa D, Gemma J, Ewa L, Phoebe L, Daphnie MC and Susan W who have all spent months behind the scenes to make sure the day was the success it was.

SEPTEMBER 2026 RECEPTION INTAKE - Wednesday saw us welcome to Boxgrove parents/carers of children due to start their learning journeys with us in September 2026. If you were unable to join us, or simply want to refresh your memory regarding any of the information shared, please [click here](#).

WEATHER AND APPROPRIATE SCHOOL UNIFORM - Currently the weather is predicted to be 30 degrees and above for the whole of next week. Please can we ask that children come to school appropriately dressed i.e., lightweight summer uniform or wearing their PE kits. As *Thursday, 25 June 2026 is our Whole School Photograph*, please can we ask that **ALL** children wear **SUMMER** school uniform on Thursday. They should also have a refillable water bottle, sunhat and sun cream should be applied before arriving at school.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THIS WEEK...

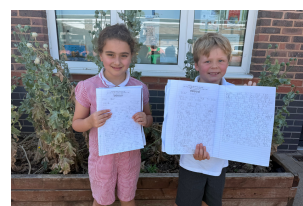


YEAR R - This week the children have been focusing on 'Happy, Healthy Us' and have been learning about the importance of good nutrition, as well as the importance of self care and mindfulness. A particular highlight was a tasting session where the children had the opportunity to share a variety of foods and herbs. Some even found a new favourite! Thank you to everyone who kindly donated a wide variety of food for the children to share.

YEAR 2 - Having thoroughly enjoyed reading 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark', this week the children have been imagining themselves as the main character, Plop, during English and have spent time creating diary entries in the first person. Staff have thoroughly enjoyed reading their entries and seeing the time and care they have taken with their handwriting.

YEAR 4 - As part of Year 4's history learning they welcomed a real life Viking to Boxgrove on Thursday and spent time looking at artefacts and weaponry, with Mrs Cooper being a willing volunteer as our Viking visitor demonstrated the strength of the shields. The children also completed a Viking quiz, learnt how to play 'Fox and Geese' and finished the day with a musical 'mash-up' using Viking Instruments.

YEAR 6 - Following on from Year 6's recent Junior Citizen visit the children have been busy reflecting on their experience to create informative posters. They have also been busy preparing for their 'Fiver Challenge' event next **Friday, 26 June 2026**. Each child was given £5 and set the task of turning that £5 into a profit which will be donated to Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood (SUDC) charity. On the 26th children in Years R - 5 will be invited to visit their stalls and may bring in £5 to spend in a named bag.



SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE

Some of our pupils, including an ex-pupil decided to raise some money for the BPTA and created their very own lemonade stall. 20 lemons and a lot of squeezing later, they had made £35.21 from their very generous local residents. What a wonderful thing to do Bradley P, Leighton P, William E, Alex S, Libby E and Erin S.



Huge congratulations to Orla, Year 4 who recently competed in her first combined events athletics competition. Orla came first in every event, winning the competition by over 100 points! Her long jump of 3.73m was the furthest of all age groups - boys and girls - on the day! Wow, wow, wow Orla.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	
Tuesday	Y4 Strings District Sports
Wednesday	Cafe B and Uniform Shop
Thursday	Whole School Photo 1A class assembly 2:15pm
Friday	Y6 Fiver Challenge Uniform Shop



SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE...

Following on from the news we shared last week regarding Sara and Nika's success we wanted to share the success of some of our other Boxgrove pupils who attended the same event. Sisters Jess and Sophie N came away with great wins. Between them they are 6 time Regional Champion winners for Groups and Trios and go through to the AED National Finals at Eastbourne in July. Also competing was Flynn O, Year 6 who was also a AED Regional Champion and won his Musical Theatre Solo. With only 20% of the performances getting through at each Region this is a huge achievement for these 5 young performers! What a talented bunch Boxgrove has!



BABY NEWS - We are delighted to share that Miss Ferns, Year 5 Teaching Assistant and her family welcomed a beautiful baby boy to the world recently. They are thoroughly enjoying this special time as they get to know Roman. Hunter, their eldest is already showing great signs of being a truly fantastic older brother. If you see Miss Ferns around school at drop-off or pick-up, please stop by and say hello to them.



ESSA SWIM TEAM

We are sure you will join us in wishing our boys and girls ESSA swim teams every success this weekend as they head off to the ESSA Primary Schools' National finals event in Sheffield. Thank you to everyone who has supported their fundraisers. If you would like to watch the competition on Saturday, please [click here](#). The event begins at 1:10pm and the children will be competing in events 2, 4, 15 and 16. Fingers crossed that they make it to some finals too! We will keep you posted!



COMMUNITY

BOXGROVE PRAYER GROUP

The group will be meeting on **Monday, 22 June 2026** at 1:45pm at 37 Boxgrove Lane. All are welcome to attend. If you would like to find out more, please email boxgroveprayer@yahoo.co.uk.

SALLY WERRY PIANO OR FLUTE LESSONS

Sally's lovely Year 6 pupils are moving on next term and so she has spaces from September. Please contact her on sallyawerry@gmail.com for further information about lessons within the school day.

CAROLINE BLOUNT PIANO LESSONS

Beat the September rush! Over the next few weeks piano teacher Caroline Blount will be offering free piano taster sessions. These fun classes include not only playing engaging pieces at the piano but also listening and moving to songs and chants, singing, chanting and games. Toys are part of many lessons and help children learn in a memorable and exciting way. To find out more visit Caroline's [website](#) or, to register for a free session please complete the [contact form](#).



SAFER TRAVEL

Surrey County Council's Safer Travel Team is asking parents to complete the [Active Travel to School Survey](#). Please complete the survey on behalf of your child to help make sure they can travel safely to school, and to support walking and cycling to school, with all the benefits that brings for the climate, the environment and our children's health.



GUILDFORD IN BLOOM SCARECROW COMPETITION

Entering is easy. Just build your [scarecrow](#), take a photo of it, and send the photo to competition@guildfordinbloom.com including your name and entry level (adult, child).

The closing date for entries is 31 July, and the winners will each receive a £100 voucher of their choice.

Judging will focus on creativity, links to Gertrude Jekyll's gardening style and there will be extra points for using upcycled materials.

Want some inspiration? Why not visit the Gertrude Jekyll exhibition at Guildford Museum, which runs from Saturday 25 April to Saturday 24 October.



RECEPTION TENNIS 4-WEEK INTRODUCTION COURSE

Guildford Tennis will be running a new 4-week 'Intro to Tennis' course for Reception children at Boxgrove School, with eight spaces available on Wednesdays 3:15-4:15pm (run separately to the current older year groups).

Many parents will already be familiar with the popular after-school tennis clubs that run throughout the year at Boxgrove. This course caters specifically for younger children who are new to the sport, providing a fun introduction through games and activities that develop coordination, confidence and basic tennis skills.

The course is also an excellent stepping stone for children wishing to progress into the regular Year 1 tennis group on Wednesdays from next term.

To find out more or book a place, please visit: clubspark.lta.org.uk



FREE SCHOOL MEAL ENTITLEMENT

FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND PUPIL PREMIUM

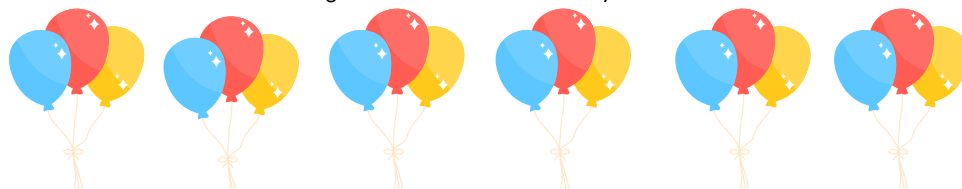
There has recently been a change the eligibility criteria for Free School Meals. (This does not mean Universal Free School Meals in Reception to Year 2). Some families who are currently eligible may no longer meet the new requirements, while others who were not previously eligible may now qualify. If your child is currently receiving Free School Meals, their entitlement will continue until the end of this term. The updated eligibility criteria from 1 September will be that children may receive free school meals if either of their parents/carers gets any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (no household income cap)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also on to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

If you would like to apply, please fill in this form [here](#). **If you are currently on FSM, this will stop at the end of this term UNLESS you reapply.**

BPTA

SUMMER FAIR - A huge thank you from the BPTA and Summer Fair Committees. We hope you enjoyed joining us at last Saturday's Fair. We are still in the process of counting monies / donations and once we have a figure we will share this with you.



SUMMER BBQ - Booking is now open for the BPTA Summer BBQ on Friday, 3 July 2026, 5:00pm - 9:00pm.

To place your food orders, please visit the [BPTA events page](#). Please note that there will be no option to buy food on the day. Bookings are open from **Thursday, 18 June 2026** and will close at 5:00pm on **Thursday, 25 June 2026**.

This really is a lovely event and a great way to end the Academic Year. We also invite our new Reception 2026 families to join us too.



NEXT PTA MEETING - Last one of the year, **Tuesday, 7 July 2026 at 7.30pm at the Horse & Groom, Merrow**. A relaxed, informal catch-up — come along if you'd like to hear what's planned, share ideas or get involved.

OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT (NO EXTRA TIME NEEDED)

- Uniform Shop – pre-loved uniform while raising funds
- Name Labels (Stikins & MyNameTags) – label items and support the school
- EasyFundraising – raise money while shopping online
- Textiles Bank – donate unwanted clothes
- Match Funding – check if your employer will match donations
- School Lottery – £1 a week with a guaranteed weekly winner

These small actions really do add up and make a big difference.

For more information visit: www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta

E: boxgrovepta@gmail.com **F:** facebook.com/boxgrovepta **W:** www.boxgrove.surrey.sch.uk/bpta/

BOXGROVE PTA – “DOING MORE TOGETHER”



Dear all,

The Boxgrove Summer BBQ is almost here! We look forward to sharing this event with everyone on Friday, 3rd July 2026!

The gates will open at 5pm and close at 9pm, so please bring your family and picnic blanket and join us for some fun in the sun, to celebrate a wonderful 2025/2026 school year and to welcome the new 2026/27 Reception families to our school community!

There will be a fantastic BBQ, Bar, ice-cream van, music as well as fun field games and activities for the kids, provided by Camp Beaumont.

We will be taking BBQ food orders via the BPTA Events Website (www.pta-events.co.uk/bpta) which will go live from **Thursday 18th June 2026** and close on **Thursday 25th June at 5 pm**.

Please note, **there will be no option to buy BBQ food on the day** if you have not pre-ordered this, **so don't forget to place your order!** Alongside the BBQ there will be a well-stocked Bar which will sell alcoholic and soft drinks, as well as a few select snacks. Cash is preferred at the bar, but a card machine will be available.

Lastly, a big **THANK YOU** to all who have volunteered to help at the BBQ already, without your support this event would not happen! However, we still need volunteers to help with the BBQ, Bar and general set-up and take down before and after the event. Please let your Class Rep or the School Office know if you can help!

Many thanks,

The BPTA Summer BBQ Team!



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	HAYFEVER - If your child suffers with hayfever please can you speak to the pharmacist about a one-a-day medication and give them a dose before school. This will help to stop the symptoms appearing during the day. BIKES AND SCOOTERS - We have been overwhelmed with your kind donations, and now are full! If you have a scooter or bike that has been outgrown, please take it to a charity shop as we are sure they would love to have it.

SPORTS NEWS

SWIMMING

On 16 May some of our swim squad from Yrs 4,5,6 enjoyed the Guildford Primary Schools Gala hosted by Wey Valley Swimming Club. This is always a favourite event as it is so much fun! Boxgrove won overall 🏆! Well done to all those who took part.

On 19 May we took part in the Guildford District Gala at St Catherine's. It was an afternoon of stiff competition where we were the only state school competing. In total Boxgrove came away with four individual bronze medals, seven silver and one gold, well done to George A in the Yr5 boys butterfly event!



YRS 4, 5 AND 6 GIRLS INTRO TO RUGBY

A great afternoon was spent at Stoke Park on Wednesday. Guildfordians RFC hosted their annual introduction to Girls Rugby for local schools. Team Boxgrove enjoyed a rotation of rugby skills including attack, defence and evasion. As ever the tackle bags proved the most popular activity amongst the girls with staff being impressed by all the girls willingness to get involved and take part. It addition, it was lovely to see several past students and current members of Guildfordians supporting the girls and leading by example. Well done girls you represented Boxgrove brilliantly! Many thanks to Mrs Baldwin and Mr Herbert for supporting the girls throughout the afternoon.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026

23 June	District Sports
25 June	1A Class assembly 2.15pm
25 June	Whole School Photo
25 June	Y5&6 Orchestra performance
29 June	Inset day - School closed for children
2 July	Y4 Strings Concert at RGS 1.30-2.30pm
2 July	Volunteer Thank You assembly 9am Kent Hall
2 July	Y1 Nower Wood
3 July	BPTA Summer Barbeque
6 July	Y3 Egyptian workshop
6 July	RockSteady concert Yrs 5&6 (invite only)
8 July	RockSteady concert Yrs R-2 (invite only)
7-10 July	Y6 Hindleap Warren residential
10 July	RockSteady concert Yrs 3&4 (invite only)
10 July	Y2 Beach Day
13 July	Transition week
17 July	Y6 Leaver Celebrations (more details to follow)
17 July	School closes 1.10pm for Summer Holidays
1-2 September	Inset days
3 September	School starts



11 October	BPTA Fun Run (time TBC)
16 October	Inset day
19-30 October	Half term
18 December	School finishes 1.10pm
21 December	Christmas holidays
2027	
4 January	Start of term
15-19 February	Half term
22 February	School Reopens
24 March	School closes 1:10pm for Easter holidays
12 April	School reopens for children
3 May	Bank Holiday
31 May - 4 June	May half term
7 June	School reopens for children
28 June	Inset day (school closed for children)
23 July	School closes at 1:10pm for summer holidays