



It feels like an age since the children came bounding through the school gate in early September. It's incredible to think that in that time a new Prime Minister has come and gone and we have a new monarch. With so much change around us I hope it is a source of comfort to know that your children are part of a school community which truly values them and wants the very best for them each day.

On Monday we enjoyed the Indian Dance Workshop with sessions being run for every class throughout the school. This was a great opportunity to experience some traditional music from another country and learn a little bit more about the Hindu festival Diwali. As the sessions wore on even the most introverted of individuals began to lose their inhibitions and get moving!

We had a tremendous time at the District Sport event this week. This was postponed from last summer due to the scorching hot conditions in July. Fast forward to mid October and it could still have been shirt sleeve order on a glorious afternoon at Charterhouse. Although the shield (which was last contested in 2019) didn't return to the St Cuthbert Mayne trophy cabinet this time, it was a fantastic experience for the children who ran, jumped and threw with such energy and enthusiasm throughout the afternoon.

We are very proud of the children for having worked so hard on their learning during this first half of term. We look forward to sharing their successes with you at Parents' Consultation meetings in the first week back after the break. I am sure many of you have exciting plans for Half Term, but it is an important time for your children to rest and recover after a busy seven weeks; the autumn term is always something of a marathon, so it is key that they have something left in the tank as the evenings draw in when we get to December.

The staff and I wish you all a relaxing and peaceful break over the next week and look forward to seeing you after Half Term.

God bless  
Thomas Hall  
Head of School

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we heard about a woman who perseveres in her search for justice. Learning often requires determination and perseverance, which is something we impress upon the children on a regular basis; that Growth Mindset of not having mastered something **yet**.

The attitude of not giving up was particularly evident in the long distance running events that we took part in this week at District Sports. Going into the home straight of the 600m could be a disheartening experience if you're bringing up the rear, but the runners from all schools kept going until the bitter end—determined to finish the race.

*God who always hears us, help us to make a change when we see something that is not right in our world. May we find strength to keep going, even if at first we are not heard. Amen.*



## WE ARE READERS

What better way to relax over Half Term than to curl up with a good book! We often talk about listening to children reading, but reading to your child is just as important. Even as they progress into KS2, continuing to read to your child is essential. According to the National Literacy Trust, "It has astonishing benefits for children: comfort and reassurance, confidence and security, relaxation, happiness and fun. Giving a child time and full attention when reading them a story tells them they matter. It builds self-esteem, vocabulary, feeds imagination and even improves their sleeping patterns."



A famous quote from Roald Dahl is, "If you are going to get anywhere in life you have to read a lot of books." The more we read aloud to our children, the larger their vocabularies will grow and the more they will know and understand about the world and their place in it. Reading aloud supports their cognitive development and perception. Hearing someone read to them is vital to their academic success.

To discover new books to enjoy with your child, the following websites are suggested:

<https://www.readbrightly.com/>

<https://clpe.org.uk/books/booklists>

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/>

Additionally, our school website has recommended book lists from EYFS to Year 6 in the [English subject area](#) of 'Our Curriculum'

**This half term, have fun reading to your child!**

## LEGO CLUB

Lego Club will run for the first two weeks after half term. However, we do need a parent volunteer to run the club for the rest of term. If you would be interested in running the club, then perhaps you might like to come along for the first two sessions after half term to see how it works before taking the baton yourself. Please speak to Mrs Hemmings in the office if this appeals to you.

We could have a parent who is not yet registered as a volunteer running the club, but it does take a little while to complete the paperwork to become a volunteer, so it would be good to get the ball rolling on this as soon as possible.



## YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The deadline application for these is 31 October – find out more [www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions)



## DISTRICT SPORTS: WE ARE ATHLETES



Well done to all those who took part in the District Sports event this Tuesday at Charterhouse. There was a tremendous sense of team spirit throughout. St Cuthbert Mayne did themselves proud by cheering on their teammates and even encouraging those representing other schools.



### DISTRICT SPORTS 2022 - REPORTER : SAM W. YEAR 5

On Tuesday 18th October four schools gathered at Charterhouse to compete in the District Sports. The four schools were St Cuthbert Mayne, St Mary's, Grayswood and Wonersh and Shamley Green. The weather was warm and sunny and it felt more like Summer than Autumn. We were competing on a full sized athletics track and we all felt very excited.

The first event for Year 5 was the hurdles. I stood nervously on the start line and I set off and finished 2nd, just pipped on the line by a boy from Shamley Green. Bethany tried her very best and came 4th. On the field the throwing was taking place with a tennis ball and howler. Our Year 5 competitors were Sam N, Haydn, Darcy and Anya. Haydn did a great throw over 50m. Then it was time for the sprints. Casper came 3rd and Sophia came 3rd.

The runners lined up for the 400m, one lap of the track. Casper and I set off at a good pace. Casper came 3rd and I came 6th. Bethany and I put on our jumping shoes to do the long jump but we were not told the scores. The last 2 events were the relays. Year 5 boys came second and the girls 2nd.

When all the points were added up we came 3rd and Wonersh and Shamley were the overall winners. All of us in Year 5 were very honoured to have represented our school.



## INDIAN DANCE WORKSHOP

As recognition of Black History Month and the upcoming festival of Diwali, all the children have had the opportunity to experience a dance routine in the style of Bollywood. A member of the 'Dance Days' team led workshops for all classes. They learnt to use their hands to create lotus flower shapes and peacock heads.



We have discussed in assembly, the importance of one of our British Values: the tolerance of different cultures and religions. Learning that our differences make us special and we should celebrate them.



Harper was awarded a certificate for sharing the important message of being kind in the Year 1 garden, for everyone to enjoy.



## CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

Once again Cranleigh Rotary are organising the collection of gift-filled Christmas shoeboxes in the Cranleigh area for under privileged children in Romania. This year the decision has been made to include the elderly.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO PARENTS

If you would like to donate a gift-filled shoebox please tick your gift items on the checklist and attach securely to the lid of the shoebox using sticky tape. As you will see, the range of potential beneficiaries extends from young children to the elderly.

A minimum donation of £3 is requested towards transport costs. Please place the money in an envelope and place it on top of the items inside your box.

The lid should be wrapped separately and an elastic band used to hold the lid in place. Please do not secure the lid using sticky tape.

### 6 steps to bring happiness

**1 Find:** Find an average-size shoebox. Decide who to fill it for; a child, a teenager, a man or a woman.

**2 Wrap:** your box and lid separately so that the lid can be removed without tearing the paper.

**3 Pack:** Gather the items, remove all plastic and cardboard packaging and pack into the box. Please choose items that will last rather than those with a short life and can't be recycled.



**4 Check:** On the checklist, tick the items you have put in your shoebox and note any that are not on the list.

**5 Donate:** Secure the ticked checklist to the outside of the shoebox lid using sticky tape. Detach the donation envelope as instructed and place on top of the items inside your box.

**6 Deliver:** Secure the lid with rubber bands. (Custom regulations require Blythswood Care to check the contents of your box)

**Deliver your box to your local collection point.**

For Christmas delivery your shoebox should be at your church, school or other collection point during the last week of October/beginning of November

### Checklist

Please tick items included and firmly secure this list on your shoebox lid.

#### ESSENTIAL ITEMS (ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW)

Please include the following items highlighted in red opposite.

#### Toiletries (NO TALCUM POWDER)

- Shampoo/Shower gel
- Face cloth/ Moist wipes
- Deodorant
- Moisturising Cream
- Comb/Brush
- Sanitary Products
- Shaving foam/Razors

#### Miscellaneous

- New Make-up
- Sewing Equipment
- Household Candles
- Screwdrivers/Pliers
- Household products

#### Stationery

- Pens/Pencils/Sharpener
- Notepads/ Colouring books
- Rulers/Rubbers

#### Clothes and other Items

(T-shirts/Pyjamas/ Jumpers/Shirts) etc

- .....
- .....
- .....
- .....

- Toothbrush and Toothpaste
- Hat, scarf, gloves
- Soap
- Underwear/ Socks/Tights
- Small Toy\*
- Sweets\*

**NOTE\*** Small toy for boys and girls such as, cars, dolls, balls.  
A small gift for teens and adults.  
Please only include new items.  
\* (No chocolate or any other food)  
\*Best before\* date no earlier than 31 March next year. No loose sweets, lollies or undated bags of sweets.

Do not include used or damaged items; war related items such as toy guns or knives or military figures; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; chocolate or any food other than sweets. Chocolate Eclairs and Chocolate Limes are not allowed; books that are mainly words should also not be included.

Please tick the box next to who the box is for and the age of the female or male you have filled this box for:

- Female  Male
- Preschool age.....
  - Primary age.....
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## CHRISTMAS CARDS

This week, Reception and KS1 have been busy preparing beautiful artwork ready for their Christmas Cards. During half term, we ask children in KS2 to design their card, and return it to school promptly on Monday 31/10. We will return all children's artwork to you in November, with a unique code and details on how you can order your child/children's masterpieces. All orders will help to raise funds for the school.

Thank you for your help and support,

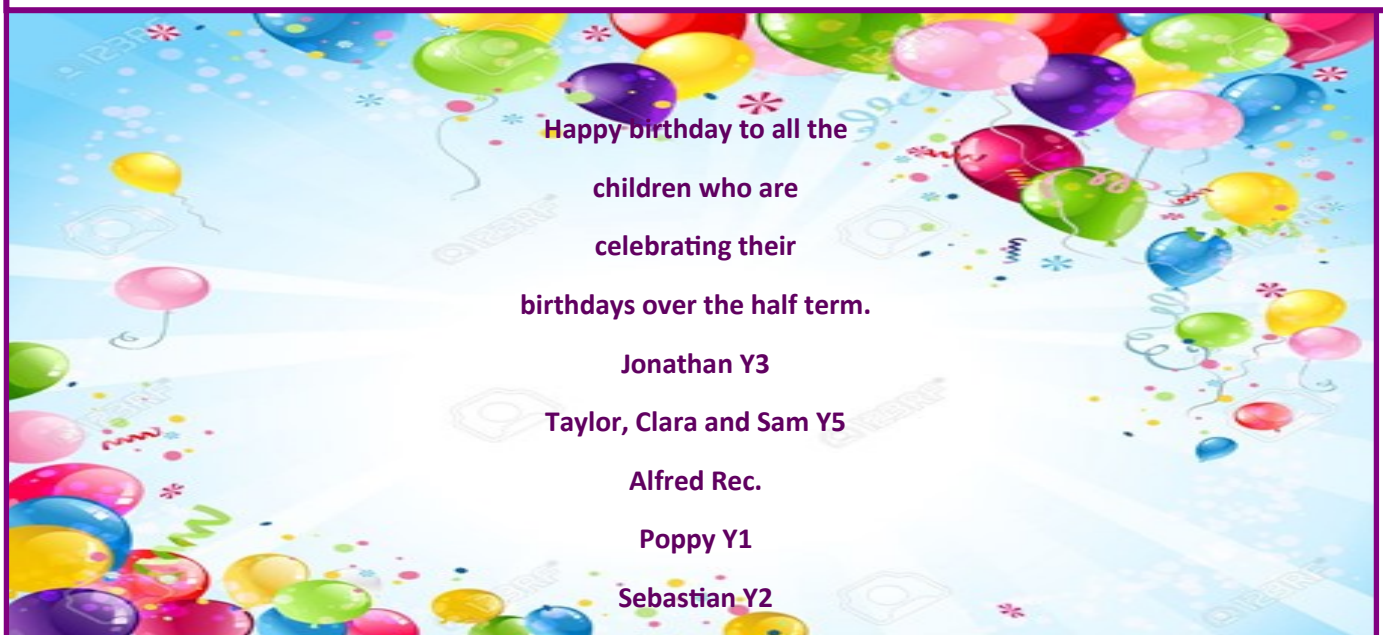




## Celebrating Achievements

Each week we celebrate the achievements of all our children during our weekly celebration assembly. Please remember to bring in any out of school achievements to celebrate in our assembly on Friday. Well done to the following children who have been their best selves this week and kept our school

Reception St David's Class	Maud - for being a kind and responsible member of the class	William - for his enthusiasm and achievement in RE
Year One St Andrew's Class	Labeena – for her focus this week especially in English where she enjoyed answering questions as Pete the Badger from our book 'Tidy'.	Holly – for her positive attitude to learning and always being helpful Harrison – for working hard and being very focused in our small group tasks this week.
Year Two St Patrick's Class	Bluebelle, Darcy, Sebastian and Teddy -	For focus, patience and attention to detail in art, producing some fantastic prints!
Year Three St George's Class	William M for achievement in writing, which is always a joy to read!	Zach for achievement and effort in writing – well done!
Year Four St Bernadette's Class	Emma for taking responsibility in her learning by doing the right thing. Emma also shows kindness in and out of the classroom.	Bohdan for achieving a fantastic start to his Egyptian adventure story writing and for always coming to school with a smile on his face.
Year Five St Catherine's Class	Beatrice for being so thoughtful and kind in showing gratitude to others.	Natasha for always being respectful and kind to others. She works hard to achieve her best.
Year Six St Teresa's Class	Benedict for great use of pathetic fallacy in your writing this week - you added lots of your own ideas - well done!	Harriet P for fantastic resilience in your maths learning and for being kind and helpful in our art lessons.





**BUDDY SAYS HI!**

**Childline**

**0800 1111**



**Remember to tell Miss Wilkin / Mrs Chalstrey / Mrs Harper if you are concerned about a child at St Cuthbert Mayne.**

**Helping children to stay safe online: Parents may wish to access any of the following websites for online safety information to support their children with safe internet use:**

Think U know: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk) Thinkuknow is the education programme from The National Crimes Agency's Child Exploitation and online Protection Centre (CEOP). The website is suitable for children aged 5-16 and has a section for parents/carers.

NSPCC: [www.net-aware.org.uk](http://www.net-aware.org.uk) and [www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety](http://www.nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety) Resources produced by the NSPCC for parents, including Net Aware, a tool which reviews the most popular apps. They also provide advice on 'sexting', online gaming and parental controls. The NSPCC helpline number is 0808 8005002

ChildLine: [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk) The ChildLine website provides information and advice on a wide range of issues including online and offline safety. Advice includes using social media, cyberbullying, online grooming, taking care of your digital footprint and mobile phone safety. The ChildLine helpline is 0800 1111

Zipit App: <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/zipit-app/> Zipit is an app designed in conjunction with Childline to help young people decline requests for nudes and inappropriate content.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/sexting/report-nude-image-online/> Another app supported by Childline to assist young people in removing nudes from the internet.

UK Safer Internet Centre: [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk) UK Safer Internet Centre provides online safety tips, advice and resources to help children and young people stay safe online. Advice also includes setting up parental controls and what to consider before buying mobile devices.

Childnet: [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com) Childnet has resources, including videos and storybooks, to help you discuss online safety with your children. It includes advice on setting up parental controls, cyberbullying and setting up a family agreement for safer internet use. It has a parent and carer toolkit. Childnet have produced smart rules for online safety, using Widget symbols; these can be displayed near computers as a visual reminder. They have also produced the STAR SEN Toolkit to explore online safety with young people who have special educational needs.

Internet Matters: [www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org) Internet Matters provides advice by age group. Advice includes setting up appropriate controls and filters on a range of devices, cyberbullying, online grooming and self-harm.

**Parent Info:** Parent Info provides information to parents and carers about a wide range of topics including games, apps and tech, health and wellbeing.

BBC "Own It" Website and App: [www.bbc.com/ownit](http://www.bbc.com/ownit) and [www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app](http://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app)

The BBC Own It Website provide advice for parents and carers and aims to help children aged 8-13 "be the boss" of their online lives. The website has videos and activities to explore with children and includes an app which can be downloaded (for children aged 8+) on children's devices to help them use technology safely and responsibly. [www.childnet.com/resources/step](http://www.childnet.com/resources/step)

## Dates for the diary Autumn 2022

### 24th—28th October HALF TERM

#### October 2022

31st Haslemere Museum Visit Y3

#### November 2022

1st All Saints Day - Parish Mass (KS2 attending)

1st Parents' consultation with teachers

1st Christmas Shoebox Deadline

2nd Y5 & Y6 Badminton at Broadwater School (teams to be selected)

3rd Parents' consultation with teachers

3rd Open Morning for prospective parents Reception 2023

4th 2.45pm Welcome Mass for Reception Class—parents welcome

4th Y6 WW2 History Trip

7th Tempest school photos

7th Y1 Trip to Cranleigh Prep School - *Strange Creatures* production

7th Y5 & Y6 Basketball at Glebelands (teams to be selected)

14th-18th Friendship and Positive Relationships (anti-bullying) week

17th Nurse visiting Year 6 - Measurements

28th School Closed

29th Benchball at Broadwater School (teams to be selected)

### OPEN MORNINGS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF CHILDREN STARTING RECEPTION CLASS IN 2023

Thursday November 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am

**PLEASE RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO BOOK A PLACE ON ONE OF  
THESE TOURS.**

### HOUSE POINTS

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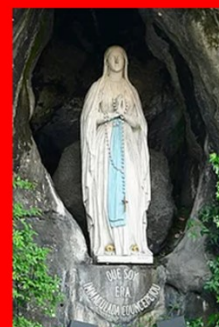
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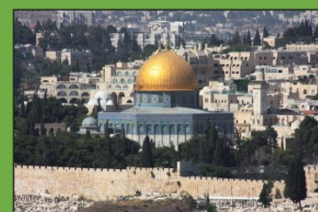
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## *October Half Term Soccer Camp*

**Monday 24th - Friday 28th October**

**8:30am-4:30pm**

**Boxgrove Primary School**

Boxgrove Lane, Guildford, Surrey GU1 2TD

**Tillingbourne Junior School**

New Rd, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8NB

**Park Mead Primary School**

Park Drive, Cranleigh, Surrey GU6 7HB

**£25 per day or £110 for 5 days!!**

for more information or to book



**<https://bookwhen.com/planetsocccamps>**

**www.planet-soccer.info**



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# SOUTH WEST SURREY ENSEMBLES



**Wednesdays** at  
**Tillingbourne School**  
**Chilworth, Guildford**

**5.15 - 6.30pm**

Prima Strings (Beginner - Grade 2)

Opus String Orchestra (Grade 2 - 4)

South West Winds (Beginner - Grade 4)

**6.45 - 8.45pm**

South West Surrey Youth Orchestra (Grade 5+)

For more information contact Surrey Arts:

**T:** 01483 519303

**E:** [surreyartsmusic@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:surreyartsmusic@surreycc.gov.uk)

**[surreyarts.com](http://surreyarts.com)**



**W:** [bit.ly/sa-ensembles-west](https://bit.ly/sa-ensembles-west)



# **Xavier Term & Holiday dates 2022-23**

## **Autumn Term 2022**

### **Half Term**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

### **Term ends**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December.

## **Spring Term 2023**

### **Term starts**

Monday 9th January 2023

### **Half Term**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February

### **Term ends**

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

## **Summer Term 2023**

### **Term starts**

Monday 17th April

### **Bank Holiday**

Monday 1st May

### **Half Term**

Monday 29th May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

### **Terms ends**

Friday 21st July

### **SCHOOL INSET DAYS.**

**MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2022**

**FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022**

**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2023**

**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023**

**WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023**

**SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**