

St John's C of E Infant School

Newsletter 24th October 2025



Latest News

Time certainly flies—and here we are at half term already! It's been a busy and enriching few weeks, filled with learning, experiences, and shared discoveries.

- **Rabbits** have been exploring the festival of Diwali, creating their own beautiful diva lamps.
- **Foxes** have been learning about household items from the past, supported by a fascinating loan box from Farnham Museum.
- **Badgers** enjoyed reading the much-loved story *Charlotte's Web*. Their research for Black History Month led to some thoughtful presentations shared with the class.

PE Timetable Update

We're delighted to share that Coach Sam will now be joining us for two afternoons each week. As a result:

- **Year 2** will have PE on **Tuesdays**
- **Year 1** will continue with PE on **Wednesdays**

Please ensure children arrive dressed in their PE kit on their designated day. A gentle reminder: PE and Forest School uniform should consist of **navy joggers** and a school logo/plain, **white t-shirt or long-sleeved top**. We've noticed a variety of colours and styles recently. While arriving in PE kit helps maximise activity time, we may need to revert to changing at school if uniform expectations aren't met.

Health Reminder

Half term is a great time to catch up on routine checks. Regular **eye tests** and other health appointments are important to support your child's wellbeing and learning.

Special Visitor

We were thrilled to welcome our new PAT therapy dog, **Milo**, this week. He's already made a wonderful impression—bringing joy and calm to the children and settling in beautifully.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable half term break. **See Mrs Cook's Art challenge on the next page. We cant wait to see your designs!**

Mrs Stevens
Head Teacher

2025

3rd Nov—Term starts
7th Nov—Open morning
10th Nov—Odd Socks day
11th Nov—Remembrance
11th Nov—Parent's evening
13th Nov—Parent's evening
14th Nov—Children in Need
28th Nov—Open morning
9th Dec—Nativity
10th Dec—Nativity
17th Dec—Xmas lunch & class parties
19th Dec—Church service
19th Dec—End of term @ 2pm

CHRISTMAS BREAK

2026

5th Jan—Inset day
6th Jan—Term starts
13th Feb—End of term
HALF TERM
23rd Feb—Start of term
For these and other dates.

[Online Calendar](#)



Art Challenge



Autumn Mandala Challenge 2025

Dear St. John's Families,

Would your child be interested in completing our Art challenge?

Over the half-term holiday, you may go on an autumnal walk; or perhaps, a trip to a park or garden where your child can collect some autumn treasures.

Can they create a Mandala using their finds?

If they do, please may you send a photo of their Mandala in, by email, to office@st.johns-farnham.surrey.sch.uk by Monday 3rd November.

Every child who takes up the challenge will receive a certificate.

Many thanks,

Mrs Cook





Values News



"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God"

Thessalonians 5:18



Rev Helen visited this week, she told us the White Chapel Mission had passed on their thanks for our harvest contributions.

She taught us to play a thankful game. Maybe you could play this in the car or at the dinner table, you each take turns to say something you are thankful for and you can't repeat what someone else says or hesitate or you are out.

How many things can you be thankful for before you are out?

Are you thankful for the same things as other people?

Celebrate Success

Recent star learners are:



Rabbit class star learners are Arden and Ruby

Fox class star learners are Grace and Elizabeth

Badger class star learners are Jacob and Jack



Autumn Term





PTA News

Curry Quiz Night

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the quiz night.
To those who attended, organised, bought raffle tickets we are most grateful.

We hope you had a super evening.

We will let you know the amount raised soon.

We are already thinking Christmas so don't forget to put the date in your diary.

Saturday 29th November 2-4

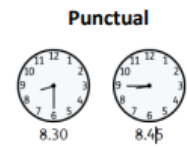


You can contact them anytime on ptachair@stjohns-farnham.surrey.sch.uk



School Attendance

Regular						
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su



Please remember how importance school attendance is.

As the season begins to change and we all come together inside we do start to see germs spreading again. We still encourage good regular handwashing and use ventilation in classrooms to try to limit the spread.

You may find this NHS website page useful for information about school attendance.

Is my child too ill for school?

Please note if your child does have sickness or diarrhea then the child must remain home for 48 hours from the last episode. This helps to limit the spread of germs and saves others from the same experiences. We will send them home again if they return to school too soon.



Safeguarding

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If you are concerned about the safeguarding of a child at any time, please contact Surrey children's single point of access C-SPA on

:0300 470 9100

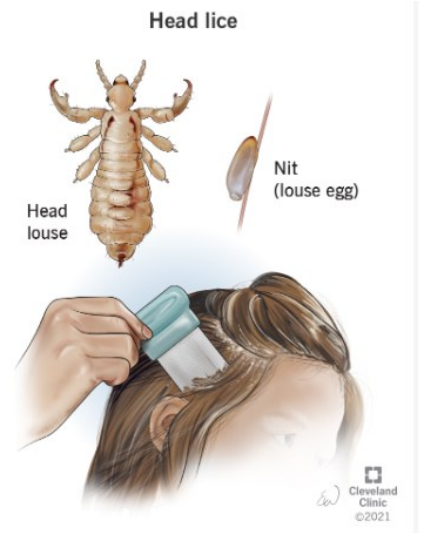
For out of hours see our [website](#).

During school hours you can contact the school Safeguarding leads Mrs. Stevens or Mrs. Ireland DSL@stjohns-farnham.surrey.sch.uk or

telephone 01428 713216

Headlice

Please keep checking your child's hair regularly so that we may reduce/remove the cases of headlice. Treating once is not enough, regular checks are necessary by everyone.



Hello!

Welcome to Mindworks Surrey, the new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey.



Our Community



Improve the way you move - with Pilates

Whether you are new to Pilates, returning after a break, looking to re-visit the fundamentals or challenge your current practise, we have a class for you.

Small, friendly group classes in Churt, Beacon Hill and Haslemere and private tuition 1:1 or 1:2 by appointment.

£5 off first class or block booking for new clients when you mention this ad

For more information please contact Jo
pilatesunlocked@gmail.com
07810 890426
www.pilatesunlocked.co.uk



FARNHAM CRAFT TRAIL
25TH AND 26TH OCTOBER
10AM TO 4PM




WE WARMLY INVITE YOU TO OUR OPEN STUDIO

SYMONDSTONE, WISHANGER LANE, CHURT, GU10 2QL

- VIEW JANE'S DESIGNS FOR CARDS AND GIFT TAGS, EACH HAND-FINISHED WITH METALLIC PAINT
 - CREATE A GIFT TAG WITH SEASONAL STAMPS
- VISIT OUR CANDLE-LIT GREENHOUSE TO SEE WORKS BY LOCAL CERAMIC ARTISTS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A CREATIVE WEEKEND

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Our Community



**THE HEN
HOUSE!**
FAMILY CLUB

**WE ARE
HIRING!**

Wraparound Care Supervisor

- To work from 7.30am-8.45am and again at 2.30-6.15pm, Mon-Fri during term time in our before and after school clubs. Location - Bramley, Surrey. Additional hours during holidays also available.
- Ideally Level 3 Childcare qualified or above.
- This job would suit ex-teachers, TAs, nursery managers/deputy managers or holiday camp supervisors.
- All training provided.
- Start date: As soon as possible

Send your CV to:
childcare@thehen-house.com



Our Community

THE FRIENDS OF
St JOHN'S
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO



"A WINE BLUFF"

A Great evening of
Wine Tasting.

Guess which of our well
known panel is telling
the truth.

NOVEMBER 22nd at 7.30 in CHURT VILLAGE HALL

Tickets £22.00 including light supper.
Raffle

Why not make up a table of 8 with friends

Tickets available from

Richard Bourne, rabourne@hotmail.co.uk John Brain 07836 269767
john@regalarch.f9.co.uk Hugh Trotter hughtrotter@hotmail.com
Lisa Margretts lisajanemarretts37@msn.com
Jo Singleton singletonjoanna@aol.com
Emma Love bruceandemma@btinternet.com Ant Lloyd-Perks
alloydperks@yahoo.co.uk



Our Community



October Half Term Multi-Activity Camp

Dodgeball, Hide & Seek, Capture the Flag, Basketball and loads of fun team and individual activities for girls & boys aged 4-12 years old!



- Outdoor & Indoor activities
- Team & Individual sports
- Arts & Crafts
- Free play and games
- Halloween games!

Fri 24th October - Mon 3rd November

Waverley Abbey Junior School
Tilford St, Tilford, Farnham, GU10 2AE

We're here every holiday!

Half Day
9am - 1pm OR 1pm - 5pm
£26

Full Day
9am - 5pm
£39

Full Week Special
Half Days £104
Full Days £156

Book a full week and pay from as little as £31.20 per day

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Our Community



October Half Term Football Camp

Skills building and loads of football fun for girls & boys aged 4-12 years old



- Daily team matches
- Game understanding
- 360 World Cup
- Goalkeeping, Attacking & Defending sessions

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An hour of popular and contemporary
tunes to enjoy and discover!

Imogen Whitehead, trumpet
and Patrick Milne, piano
at St John's Church

Sunday 2 November at 11.30am

I GOT RHYTHM!

With music from George Gershwin, Florence Price, Khachaturian,
Peter Maxwell Davies, Noah Max and more.

Entrance Free - Everyone Welcome.
No tickets required - Retiring Collection

www.imogenwhiteheadtrumpet.com
instagram: @imogen_trumpet



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Home of
Lavender Hill
Flower Co



***Tilford Artisan
Food and Craft Market***

***First Thursday of
every month.***

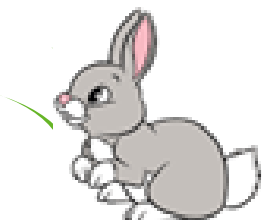
9am - 2pm

Tilford Street, Tilford,
Farnham, GU10 2AA

***Shop Small
Shop Local***



At our November Market on the 6th,
we will have some extra stalls and will
be selling prize draw tickets to raise
money for 2 charities -
British Heart Foundation & Charlie's
Promise (stopping knife crime)



Our Community

farnham **maltings**

half term activities

Spark your child's imagination and creativity with our programme of fun events and activities

- Sat 25 October - Halloween Soap Making
- Sat 25 October - Theatre: Stories in the Dust
- Mon 27 October - Junk Puppets Workshop
- Mon 27 October - Filmmaking: Spooky Sustainable Horror
- Mon 27 October - Halloween Polymer Clay Jewellery
- Tue 28 October - Learn to Crochet Together
- Tue 28 October - Cinema: Flow
- Wed 29 October - 3D Design & Make
- Wed 29 October - Crafty Kids at Farnham Museum
- Thu 30 October - Crafty Kids at Farnham Museum
- Thu 30 October - Artbox Mixed Media
- Fri 31 October - Cupcake Decorating



scan or click here for more information

farnhammaltings.com/half-term
Bridge Square, Surrey, GU9 7QR



Our Community



Thursday 6th November
6pm - 8pm

£10.00

Supporting
British Heart
Foundation
& Charlie's
Promise

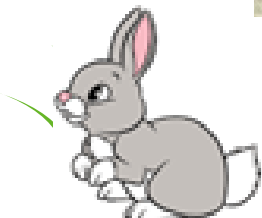
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Tickets can be bought online
www.eavesgiftroom.co.uk/charity-christmas
or from Gifts in the Horse-box at Hazelbank

Hazelbank Nursery & Florist
Tilford Street, Tilford GU10 2AA

Our evening shopping event includes a glass of fizz & cheese & biscuits from our local award winning cheese maker, Cheese on the Wey. Each guest will also be entered into our evening prize draw to win a goodie bag containing a few bits from our evening sellers! Sellers - Eaves Gift Room, Tropics Skincare, Nibbs Gin, Mummy Makes Fudge, Cheese on the Wey and Hazelbank Nursery & Florist.

There will also be tickets available to buy for our annual prize draw!



Our Community

We are still looking for a Crossing Patrol Officer who could support the children safely across Barford Lane in the morning and afternoon.

Surrey County Council

would accept a job share for this position. For more details [Click here](#)



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