

St John's C of E Infant School

Newsletter 9th October 2026



Latest News

As we head towards the end of a wonderful first half term, it's hard to believe how quickly the weeks have flown by. The children have settled brilliantly, and the school has been full of energy, joy and learning.

We are so pleased with how confidently our new Rabbit Class have begun their St John's journey. They have embraced school life with enthusiasm, kindness and curiosity. We are incredibly proud of them.

This week's Harvest Service was a true highlight. The children's singing, performing and reading were exceptional, creating a heartfelt celebration for our school community. We are deeply grateful for your generous donations to the Whitechapel Mission. Your gifts will make a meaningful difference to individuals and families in need.

A huge thank you to all the families who have supported our Sparkle and Shine efforts on the school grounds. Your hard work, often at weekends, has ensured our outdoor spaces look beautiful for the children and ready for our upcoming autumn open days. We are so appreciative of your time and care.

Cauliflower Cards artwork went home this week. Please remember to place your orders online and return your children's artwork **on Monday**, so we can send everything off for printing in good time.

We are delighted to share that Family Forest Church is returning on 18th October. Reverend Helen is looking forward to welcoming families to the incredible woodland space we are fortunate to use for reflection, community and joy. See the flyer below for more details.

With just one week left before the break—and with Surrey's one off 2week October half term this year—we hope you are planning plenty of rest, relaxation and time together. The children have worked incredibly hard and thoroughly deserve a peaceful holiday.

2026

- 16 Oct—Open Morning
- 16 Oct—End of term
- 2 WEEK HALF-TERM
- 2 Nov—Start of term
- 10 Nov—Parent's Evening,
- 12 Nov—Parent's Evening
- 13 Nov—Open Morning
- 25 Nov—Flu Immunisations
- 28 Nov—Xmas Fair, 2-4pm
- 3 Dec—Nativity workshop for Years 1&2
- 8 Dec—Nativity, 2.15pm
- 9 Dec—Nativity, 215pm
- 11 Dec—Winter walk for Year R
- 18 Dec—Church service, 9am
- 18 Dec—End of term, 2pm

[Online Calendar](#)



Values News



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

Thessalonians

Showing you are thankful was our focus this week. The obvious way is to be polite and say please and thank you. There are other ways we can do this too.

We might help someone who has helped us, we might give them a gift or we might send them a card or a letter.

How have you shown your thanks this week?

Celebrate Success

This week's star learners are :



Rabbit class star learners is Jagger

Fox class star learners is Eddie

Badger class star learner is Aubrey



School Attendance

Regular

✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa	Su

Punctual



Prepared



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.



Safeguard-

Safeguarding

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@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk or

telephone 01428 713216

Hello!

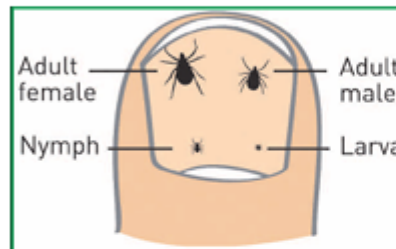
Welcome to Mindworks Surrey, the new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey.



RISK ZONES

- ♦ Woods
- ♦ Long grass
- ♦ Undergrowth
- ♦ Moors and heaths

...across the UK - town and country



Ticks are larger after feeding. Before that they can be as small as a full stop on this page.

TICK REMOVAL

- ♦ Do it as soon as possible
- ♦ **DO NOT** squash the tick or apply any creams, oils or heat to the tick (if you put a tick under pressure, you may pump its saliva and stomach contents into you!)
- ♦ Use a **tick removal tool** to ensure you remove all the tick
- ♦ Dispose of the tick down the sink, avoiding getting any tick fluids on bare skin
- ♦ Remember you have been bitten and see your doctor if you develop symptoms



Mental Health and Well being

There is help available to those in need of support The guide was co-developed by partners across Surrey County Council, NHS Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care Board (ICB) and Mindworks.

[Quick Guide to Mental Health Support for Children, Young People & Families](#) This guide is here to help children, young people, and families in Surrey find the right mental health support when it's needed most. Whether they are feeling anxious, overwhelmed or worried about a friend, they're not alone - help is always available.

Click on the image to go to the full [Mindworks](#) page

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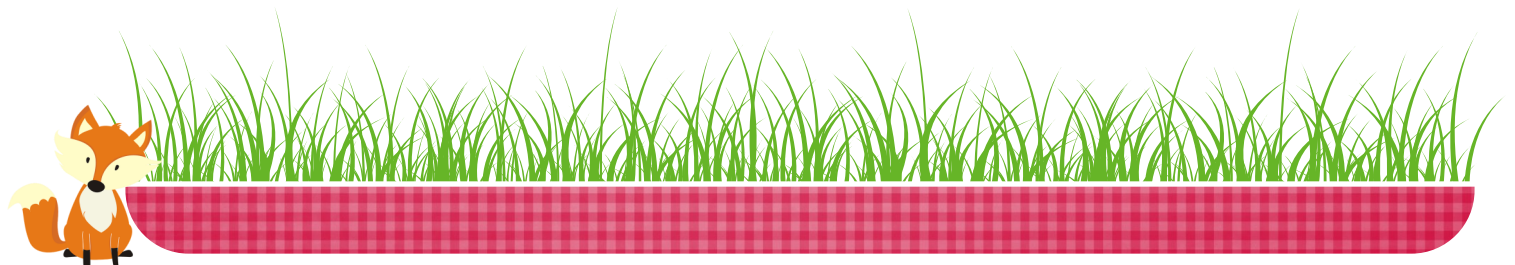


Mental Health crisis line

There is a free 24/7 mental health crisis line for children aged from six years, young people and their families/carers who are in crisis. Please call [0800 915 4644](#) to talk with a professional who will provide advice, support and signposting to a range of community services. It's open all day and all night, seven days a week.

The crisis line can be used by everyone aged 6 and above in Surrey and [NE Hampshire](#).

The number [0800 915 4644](#) is the same telephone number as the adult mental health crisis line - simply select option one.



Our Community

St John's invites you to

Family **Forest** *Church*

Sunday 18 October at 3pm

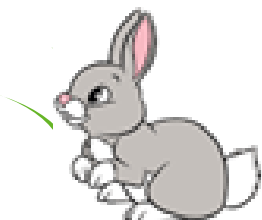
Short service for ALL-AGES

Everyone welcome!

Creation and crafts with singing and play

A chance to connect with others
and explore faith together.
Please dress appropriately for the weather.
All children must be accompanied.

Meet in Vicarage Drive
in Old Kiln Lane at 2.50pm



Our Community

CHURT VILLAGE HALL PRESENTS

MUSIC BINGO

Music, prizes and lots of fun

► **SATURDAY
7TH NOVEMBER
FROM 7:30PM**

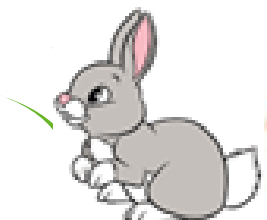
BRING PLENTY OF CASH!

**BINGO CARDS
£3 EACH**
BUY AS MANY AS YOU LIKE –
THE MORE WE SELL THE
BIGGER THE PRIZES
AND DONATIONS.

**CASH BAR
AVAILABLE**

FUND RAISER
St Johns Church, St Johns School,
Churt Village Hall

► **CALL SARAH ON 07765548082 TO BOOK YOUR TABLE**



Our Community

Studio BAE
@TheStudioBAE
courtneybae@gmail.com

HAZELBANK
NURSERY & FLORIST

Hazelbank Still Life Gouache & Watercolour Workshop

10-11AM SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER
HAZELBANK NURSERY, TILFORD ST, TILFORD GU10 2AA

Step into an inspiring creative sanctuary led by twice-represented Portrait Artist of the Year semi-finalist, Courtney Bae. Drawing inspiration from a composition of seasonal fruits and vegetables, this class welcomes all levels 8yrs+. £28 class includes materials, a take-home sketchbook, and a complimentary hot drink from the Hazelbank Tearoom.

BOOK NOW

WWW.COURTNEYBAE.COM/ARTCLASSES



Our Community

Smile Sleigh



**DONATE NEW
UNWRAPPED
GIFTS BY 3RD
DECEMBER**

**We're collecting Christmas gifts for children
in Surrey and Hampshire whose lives have
been severely impacted by domestic abuse**

DROP OFF POINTS

- Aldershot Garrison Sports Centre
- Nationwide, The Maltings, Elphicks
- Contact us for other drop off points

*Scan to
donate*



FOLLOW OR CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Our Community



october half term

Mon 19 October - Sun 01 November

Calling little ghosts and ghouls - check out our thrilling workshops and events this half term and Halloween.

live events & screenings

Mon 26 Oct

Holmes and Watson and the
Curious Case of the Masked Magician

Wed 28 & Thu 29 Oct

Crafty Kids at the Museum

Wed 28 Oct

Toy Story 5

Fri 30 Oct

Silent Disco: Trick or Treat

Sat 31 Oct

Halloween at the Museum

workshops

farnham **maltings**



Tue 20 Oct

3D Design & Make - Autumn (8+yrs)

Wed 21 Oct

Ghost Stories - Drama Workshops (5-7yrs or 7-11yrs)

Beaded Halloween Jewellery (6+yrs)

Thu 22 Oct

Rustic Autumn Paint and Draw Workshop (6+yrs)

Fri 23 Oct

Demon Dancers (7-11yrs)

Cupcake Decorating: Out of this World (5-12yrs)

Mythical Creatures in Watercolour (12+yrs)

Whimsical Watercolour Cat (8+yrs)

Mon 26 Oct

Print your own Halloween T-shirt (6+yrs)

Screen Print a Halloween Trick or Treat bag (6+yrs)

Tue 27 Oct

Family Watercolours Autumn Leaves (7+yrs)

Special Effects Stage Make-Up (7-11yrs or 11-16yrs)

Wed 28 Oct

Crystal Stars (8+yrs)

Thu 29 Oct

Cupcake Decorating Halloween (5-12yrs)

Fri 30 Oct

Halloween Soap-Making (5+yrs)

farnhammaltings.com/halfterm

Bridge Square, Surrey, GU9 7QR



Our Community



**Adventure.
Skills.
Friendship.**

Do more. Share more.
Be more.

Join 1st Hindhead Scout Group
and start your adventure!



Fun, everyday adventure for girls and boys aged 6-14

We go camping, explore the outdoors, learn new skills, take on challenges and make memories that last a lifetime.

BEAVERS

Aged 6-8



Meet: Mondays
Time: 4.45 – 5.45pm

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Aged 8-10.5



Meet: Mondays
Time: 6.00 – 7.30pm

SCOUTS

Aged 10.5-14



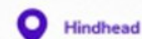
Meet: Tuesdays
Time: 7.00 – 8.30pm



**Adult volunteers
always welcome!**

Help young people grow in
confidence, skills and resilience –
and have fun while you do it.

**Get in touch
or sign up
today!**



Skills for life →



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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