



Maths Week England

There has been some amazing maths learning happening at Saxon this week on money and finances. We hope parents have been able to view the daily money problem and photos that have been uploaded onto Facebook that show the variety and depth of learning that has taken place across all year groups.



For example, in Reception and KS1, the children have been role playing in shops and cafés using cash and their own bank cards. In KS2, classes have been working on their own fantasy fundraising idea, planning an imaginary event to raise money and thinking about budgets, profits and loss. We hope children and parents have found it useful to complete the 'My Money Diaries' at home and we look forward to receiving them in school. We thank parents for their support with this learning activity.

Aside from the money aspect of the week, each class has also learnt about inspiring mathematicians, such as Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan and Bobby Seagull, as well as taking part in live webinars, a whole school quiz and solving the daily video problems.

And finally, of course, there has been the ongoing Times Table Rockstars battle against Walton Oak School. This has been such a team effort from all classes involved. A huge thank you to all the parents that have supported this at home. The battle finishes at 7pm this evening and the final result will be posted on Facebook as soon as possible.

Our thanks to all the staff for ensuring the children have had such an enjoyable and purposeful week of learning. Special thanks must be given to Mrs Hartshorn who led this week so enthusiastically for us, supported by Mrs Nalder and Miss Graves who played a huge part in organising many aspects of the week across the school.

Anti-Bullying Week

A reminder that next week is Anti-Bullying Week and we kick the week off with 'Odd Socks Day'! All children are invited to wear odd socks on this day to raise awareness of our differences and individuality. No financial contribution will be necessary. More information regarding this event can be found at <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week/odd-socks-day/what-odd-socks-day>

Parent-Teacher Consultations

Parent-Teacher Consultations are an important part of the school year where parents have the opportunity to speak with their child's teacher/s and gain insight into their attainment and progress over the year so far. We will be holding these with you this term as planned, however, these will be phone call meetings rather than face to face and will take place at the following times:



Class	Date	Times	Date	Times
RG	Tues 1st Dec	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
RL	Tues 1st Dec	9-11:00am & 3:30-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
1F	Thurs 26th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
1V	Mon 23rd Nov	9:30-11:30 & 1-3pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
2DM	Weds 25th Nov	9-11am & 3:30-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
2P	Weds 25th Nov	9-11:00am & 3:30-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
3P	Tues 24th Nov	9-11:00am & 3:30-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
3W	Tues 24th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
4B	Weds 25th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
4L	Weds 25th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
5C	Thurs 26th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
5N	Thurs 26th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
6D	Tues 24th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm
6R	Tues 24th Nov	12:30-3pm & 4-5:30pm	Weds 2nd Dec	4-7:30pm

Parents will be able to book their time slot with their child's class teacher as usual via Scopay from 6pm on Monday 16th November; the booking system will close at 6pm on Thursday 19th. Please note, each slot will show on the system as 15 minutes long, although each call will last 10 minutes. This is the same amount of time allocated to face-to-face parent meetings and the additional 5 minutes is to allow the teacher time to prepare for the next call. We do hope all parents are able to attend. Unfortunately, we do not have a system that will facilitate joint calls for separated parents. The teacher will call the contact listed as Priority 1 on the system and if another parent would like an update on their child's term so far then please email the info account and a separate appointment will be made for you.



Christmas 2020!

Despite the current situation, Christmas isn't cancelled at Saxon! This time of year is always so special in schools and leaves children with fond memories of their time at primary school, so whilst it will look different, we will continue to celebrate Christmas this year. These are the plans for across the school:



Reception – will perform a version of the Nativity story within their own class. Children will have words and songs to learn and say, and their performance will be recorded and sent to parents to view at home.

Years 1&2 – will create a performance based on the theme 'What Christmas Means to Us'. It will focus on the link to this term's RS learning about what Christmas means to Christians as well as looking at how Christmas is celebrated around the world. The actual performance will be a mix of Christmas songs and some verse, telling a simple narrative and including some elements of dance. The children will have opportunities to have a

speaking part either on their own or in small groups. Again, each class will create their own assembly and the recorded performance will be sent to parents.

KS2 – children will be learning a range of Christmas songs with Mrs Stewart and will perform these, interspersed with children reading some Christmas poems, as a class. A recording will also be sent to parents.

Each Year Group will send further information to parents soon, particularly around costumes.

Our traditional Christmas dinner will also take place in December, on the 9th and the 16th. Reception and KS1 will have their Christmas dinner in the hall on Weds 9th and KS2 will have their meal in the hall on Weds 16th with Christmas Crackers and Christmas music! On the day when it isn't a Key Stage's turn for Christmas dinner, the children will have a Christmas Packed Lunch option which they can select instead. More details on the menu choices to follow. On both of these days, children can wear their Christmas Jumpers and we ask for donations for the charity 'Save the Children' (the sponsor of Christmas Jumper Day) on one of the days (donations are optional and only need to be made once).

Filming of Christmas performances

As mentioned above, we plan to film the children in their classes taking part in a Christmas performance which can be shared with parents via their secure Google Classroom environment.

If you have previously given permission for your child's image or name to be included in school online permissions there is nothing further you need to do and your child will be included in any filming. **If you have previously declined permission for your child to be included in school online publications this means your child will not be included in any filming that takes place.** If you wish to change your consent we ask that you visit our school website at Parents > Online Forms and complete our Photographic Consent online form as soon as possible.

Please can we remind parents that any video shared via Google Classroom must not be forwarded to extended family members or posted on social media as the videos will feature all children in a class not just your individual child. We must also remind parents that the sharing of Google Classroom login details is expressly prohibited.

School Lunches

We are pleased to inform you that we have made some exciting changes to the sandwich options on our dinner menu. Starting on Monday, we are offering tasty variations to bread such as wraps, bagels, baps and baguettes. We are also ensuring that we provide different vegetables every day. If your child would like to move from packed lunch to school dinners please fill in the online form <https://www.saxonprimary.co.uk/form/?pid=140&form=16>. Menus are available on the website. The cost for school dinners is £11.75 per week. Please make your payment via Scopay, which is requested in advance of meals taken. Please note that from next week we will require future meal preference changes to be made by 9am on Friday before the following Monday.

Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that the Immunisation Team will be in school on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th December to give flu vaccinations. Please see the attached letter for further information from the Children and Family Health Surrey Department. The deadline to complete the e-consent form is 4pm on Thursday 26th November.

Reception School Entry Screening Questionnaires

The community nursing team will be delivering the Reception school entry screening questionnaires next week. These will be sent home with the children on Friday 20th November. Please can you return the questionnaires to school no later than Friday 27th November?

Surrey Advertiser 'First Day at School Supplement'

Don't forget to buy your copy of this newspaper today. It will only be on sale for a week and contains the picture of our new Reception classes.

Home School Link Work Virtual Parent Sessions

Virtual reality is a technology that allows us to connect on a real human level, face to face, regardless of where we are. We would love to connect with you during these difficult times. Join us at 11am on Thursday 19th November to discover how to manage the digital world.

Our Home School Link Workers have been looking at ways to support our parent community during this challenging time and we would like to introduce our Virtual Parent Sessions.

Each week, one of our schools will take a turn to discuss a topic using Google Meet. We would love you to join us and this support is open to everyone from any of our schools. You can choose to join the week you are interested in, or all 5 of them.

*Please follow this Google Meet link to access one or all of the sessions:
meet.google.com/jtk-nxsg-nhn*

We will be on-line every Thursday from 11am until 11.30am.

Thursday 19th November - Managing our digital world

Thursday 26th November - Emotional attachment

Thursday 3rd December - Discuss challenging behaviour and looking at routines

Thursday 10th December - Encouraging healthy choices in school

*We look forward to seeing you — Shelly Lumb, Emma Sutton,
Lyn Lenton-Clark, Jane Hughes, Kate Hobley and Nikki Edwards.*

From the SSA

Normally early November is the Family Fireworks event and we'd be announcing how much we'd raised...last year was £6,600+, but sadly not this year. However, we have managed to raise a healthy £2,479 – that's £1,281 from the Co-op, £349 from Happy Bags and £849 from two Mufti Days. To come, there's recycling, wreath making and the Christmas card project contributions. We've had two collections for the wet weather boxes and hope to get those into classrooms soon.

Smile.amazon.co.uk: we are signed up to 'Amazon Smile' where Amazon donate 0.5% of the net purchase price of any eligible purchases (excluding VAT, returns and shipping fees). You need to go through smile.amazon.co.uk (not the main site) and choose 'Saxon School Association' from the charity list. You will see 'eligible for AmazonSmile donation' on the product description. Whilst we'd encourage our school community to 'shop local' to support the local High Street shops and businesses who have supported us in the past, there may still be times when you shop on Amazon so please use this AmazonSmile option.

Christmas Cards: please note the deadline for ordering is 16th November.

Wreath Making: There is a new date of Monday 14th December (previous date was cancelled due to lockdown). The cost is £40 and there are 3 spaces left on that night. Please let us know on ssa.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk if you'd like to book.

Golden Learning Celebration

This week, the children showing exceptional learning are:

KS1

RG - Kees & Hetty

RL - Wyli & Martha

1F - Alyssa & Iyla

1V - Isabelle & Lily

2DM - Havana & Oliver

2P - Heidi & Lavender

KS2

3P - Airlie & Olly

3W - Norah & Jessica

4B - Bobby & Toby

4L - James & Harrison

5C - Halle & Connor

5N - Mae & Jessie

6D - William & Finley

6R - Layla & Oscar

Stay on Green



Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Leighton (RG); Madison, Isabelle, Costik & Margot (2DM); Millie & Marcel (3P); Summer (3W); Dylan (4L); Liam (5C); Thomas & Lanna (5N); Max & Izzy (6D) and Roza & Roxanna (6R) very well done!

Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Davis & Miss Morris
Headteachers