

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dedicated to fostering an inclusive culture that respects, values and celebrates the contributions of all our children.





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#### **Feedback**

Thank you to everyone who has completed the feedback forms. We've had 90 adult responses and 40 children responses so far and would like more.

For adults, please follow this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/gAjKBXxNZVQc9HnA6">https://forms.gle/gAjKBXxNZVQc9HnA6</a>

For children, please follow this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/7joa1aWvNParEFnT">https://forms.gle/7joa1aWvNParEFnT</a>

#### Harvest

For Harvest this year, the whole school will be celebrating together in assemblies on Monday. We are asking for the usual donations of food items, which can come in all week and will be taken to Jubilee Church on Friday. Suggested items include: tinned meat, tinned meat meals, tinned tuna (no other fish items please), tinned tomatoes, sweetcorn, peas, carrots or other vegetables, baked beans, spaghetti in tomato sauce, tinned fruit, tea, coffee, drinking chocolate, custard (cartons or tinned), dry pasta, rice and pasta sauces, biscuits etc. Ideally best before dates should be later than 31st December 2023.

#### **Black History Month**

October is also Black History Month and throughout the next few weeks, the children will be learning about black women who have shaped history, in line with the official theme of 'Saluting Our Sisters'.

#### **Poetry Day**

Today, Saxon celebrated National Poetry Day. This year's theme was 'Refuge' and each class had the opportunity to explore this by finding refuge in special places, nature and writing. The children have all listened to a variety of poems, wrote their own poems and created Art from their

learning too. A showcase this afternoon allowed classes to mix and see what each other had learnt today. At Saxon, we know that poetry doesn't just happen on this day and we look forward to learning other poems throughout the year.

#### **Progress Meetings**

Booking for your Autumn Term meeting with the class teacher will be going live today at 5pm.

This meeting is an opportunity to hear how your child has settled into the new year and any key next steps in their learning that you can support at home. Please do sign up for your 10-minute slot by logging into your SCOpay account and book your appointment.

## SSA Firework Night - 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

The mufti days on the 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October are for chocolate donations for our usual tombola stall please.

Tickets are being sold in local shops now – see poster below for which ones – and Mrs Hopper and Mrs Williams will be selling them in the playground after school in the coming weeks, so do look out for them to make sure you get your tickets.

Thank you to everyone who donated a 'colour' item today – we're excited to see what becomes of them!

#### Macmillan Bake Off Fundraiser

A huge thank you to all the families that supported this event, whether that was by donating cakes or coming along to buy them. A fantastic £566 was raised – thank you so much! Thank you to Shelly for organising and co-ordinating this for us too.

	KEY DATES
October w/b 9 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 TTRS
9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Stay, Play & Learn Sessions
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	Mufti for Firework Night
16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Stay, Play & Learn Sessions
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	3:15/20 End of Autumn I
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day 2
Tues 31st	Children return to school
<b>November</b> Weds 1 <sup>st</sup>	Individual Photos 3:40 – 6:30pm Progress Meetings
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Individual Photos 4:00pm – 7:00pm Progress Meetings
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	5:30pm Firework Event
w/b 6 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-Bullying Week
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 Maths Drop in Session
Weds 8 <sup>th</sup>	2:30pm Y2-Y6 Family Engagement Session – come and see the children's learning in class

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#### **Uniform Changes - Sept 2024**

We are going to be updating our school uniform ahead of next September to include the correct school logo. All other uniform items/colours will remain the same. Reception children in Sept '24, will be expected to wear jumpers/cardigans/polos/PE tops with the new logo on. Current families won't need to change their child's uniform by Sept '24. The old uniform will phase out over time and nobody will be expected to buy replacement uniform unnecessarily. Once your child has grown out of their uniform, the replacement you will buy will have our current logo on it. We'll keep reminding you of this change throughout the academic year.

#### **Parking**

This week, we have been in contact with our local community police officers for their support with parking. They will be coming to the school when they can at pick up and drop off to monitor the illegal parking of some parents. We have also been advised that we are able to photograph anyone parking dangerously or illegally, and send these to them for further investigation.

#### **Online Safety**

The Online Safety Bill has been signed off by the Houses of Parliament and will become law soon. The bill aims to make the UK the safest place in the world to be online by placing new duties on social media companies. The bolstered bill has been strengthened through debate, with firmer protections for children, more control for adults and clarity for social platforms.

Social media platforms will be expected to:

- remove illegal content quickly or prevent it from appearing in the first place, including content promoting self-harm
- prevent children from accessing harmful and age-inappropriate content
- enforce age limits and age-checking measures
- ensure the risks and dangers posed to children on the largest social media platforms are more transparent, including by publishing risk assessments
- provide parents and children with clear and accessible ways to report problems online when they do arise

In addition to its firm protections for children, the bill empowers adults to take control of what they see online. It provides three layers of protection for internet users which will:

- 1. Make sure illegal content will have to be removed
- 2. Place a legal responsibility on social media platforms to enforce the promises they make to users when they sign up, through terms and conditions
- 3. Offer users the option to filter out harmful content, such as bullying, that they do not want to see online

More information can be found here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/news/britain-makes-">https://www.gov.uk/government/news/britain-makes-</a>

<u>internet-safer-as-online-safety-bill-finished-and-ready-</u> to-become-law

#### **Book Fair**

The book fair made a brilliant £361.54 last week! Thank you again to everyone who supported this.

#### **Little Wandle Reading Books**

Please can all books be returned in the plastic wallet they are sent home in? We are having lots come back without the wallet and this not only spoils the book, it means we have to spend money unnecessarily on replacing them. Thank you.

#### Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football Tournament

Yesterday, the Girls' team competed in their first tournament together. Whilst they didn't win, they showed grit and determination to do their best and didn't give up trying. They also congratulated the other teams and showed respectful behaviour. Miss Leney and Mrs Wilkins, the staff/parent accompanying them, were so proud of how the girls represented themselves and the school. Very well done to Isabelle, Heidi, Janna (Y5), Jessica, Mia & Dolcie (Y6).



#### **Year 6 Secondary Applications**

These must be made by the deadline of 31st October. If you need any support in making your secondary school application for your Year 6 child, please contact Miss Revels-Hull or Shelly.

#### **Darley Dene School is recruiting**

Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference? Darley Dene are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. This is an opportunity for an individual who is patient and emotionally resilient to join their friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff. For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1369455">https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1369455</a>

### **Surrey County Council**

The Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council are recruiting for Bikeability Cycling Instructors. Please click on link below for further information.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs/search/details?id=2 9155

## Oracy Question of the Week

'Would you rather be a talented sports person or a talented musician?'

#### Measles/MMR

We have been asked by the DfE to share the following message:

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.

Find more information about vaccinations here: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/?msclkid=9df15083b5ab11ec890d081689">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/nhs-vaccinations-and-when-to-have-them/?msclkid=9df15083b5ab11ec890d081689</a>
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### Reading

This week, <u>Miss Knight</u> recommends 'The Spider Wick Chronicles series Book 1 - The Field Guide'.

Mallory, Simon and Jared get acquainted with their new home but find many unexpected things.

It all started when Jared Grace found their great uncle's book, "Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide to the Fantastic World Around You" and they realise that they are not alone in their new house. Now the Grace kids want to tell their story but the faeries will do everything to stop them...

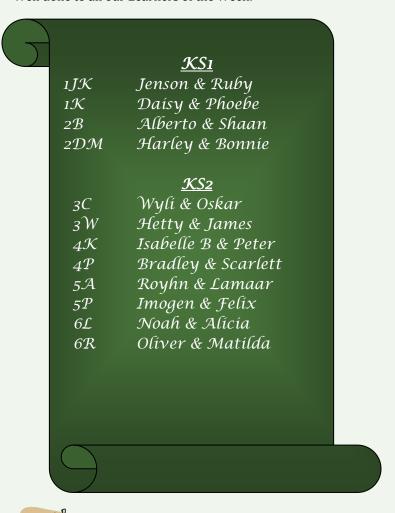
Its up to you to spread the word about their discovery. But heed their warnings, wear some red, turn your clothes inside out - all anti-faerie devices - and get ready to enter a world that you never knew existed...Its closer than you think!



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#### **Golden Learning Celebration**

Well done to all our Learners of the Week!



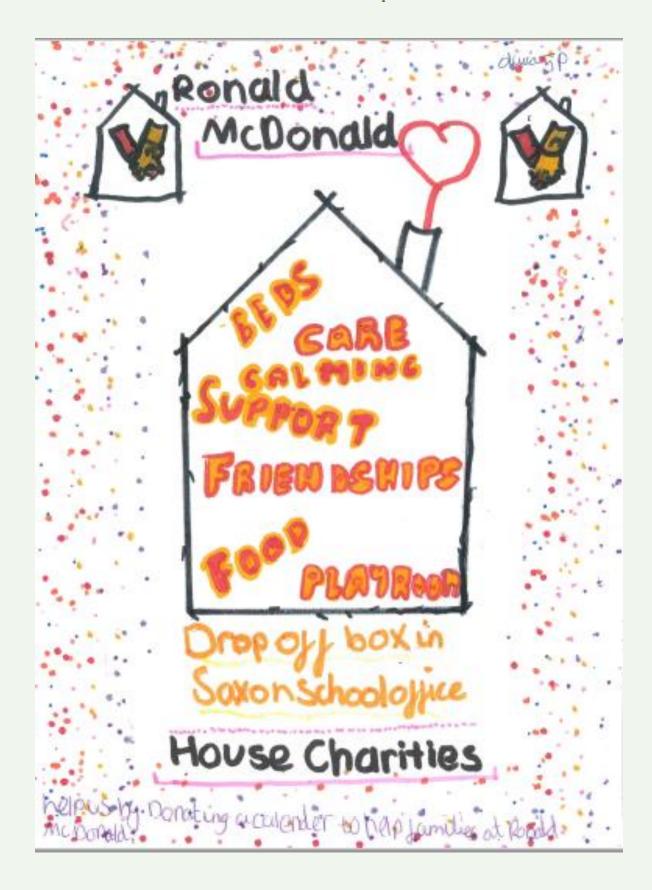
Stay on Green

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Samantha (RGM); George G, Millie, Dylan & Poppie (1K); Raymond & Calian (2B); Jessica, Max & Leighton (3C); Niamh, Harvey & Layla D (3W); River, Poppy & Caleb (5A); Alexis (6L) and George L (6R) very well done to all of these children!

Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Miss Morris Headteacher

Scroll down for more info...



Saxon's Family Fun





## Fireworks

15th Anniversary

Friday 3rd November 2023

Front gates open from 5.30pm

Saxon Primary School Briar Road, Shepperton Advance ticket price;

£6.00 per person (under 3s: FREE)

On the door: £7.00

Tickets Available from:

Eventbrite search for:- Saxon Fireworks Display











Cash only in shops Saxon School Office 01932 563035



# Job Opportunity Term Time Nursery Practitioner Cygnets Nursery Shepperton



Cygnets Nursery is currently recruiting for a Nursery practitioner to work term time. It is a full time role working 40 hours per week, 8am – 4pm. The candidate must be able to work as part of a team in order to provide an enabling environment in which children from 2 to 5 years old can learn, play and develop.

We are a pack-away setting which involves a lot of lifting therefore, the job requires a commitment to set up from 8:00am each morning. You will need to arrive in good time to help set up and to help pack away at the end of session, ensuring that all toys and equipment are clean and safe at all times.

#### Your Role

- Effectively deliver the Early Years Foundation Stage ensuring that the individual needs and interest of the children in the setting are met (in conjunction with other team members).
- To keep records of your key children's development and learning journeys and share with parents, carers, and other key adults in the child's life.
- Contribute to a programme of activities suitable to the age range of the children in your key groups in conjunction with other staff and the Early Years Foundation Stage.
- Ensure that all activities are carried out within an equal opportunity framework.
- Plan activities to suit the child's individual stages of development.
- Consult with the children and involve them in the planning of activities.
- Liaise with and support parents and other family members.
- Be aware of and adhere to all setting's operational policies and procedures, to ensure that children are kept safe and that you understand when to follow children protection procedures.
- To keep confidential any information regarding the children, their families or other staff; this is acquired as part of the job.
- Duties will include liaising with the SENCO to ensure children with additional needs are supported effectively, support other staff members and parents on a daily basis.
- Have an understanding of Safeguarding.
- Be able to work in partnership with the nursery team to expand the nursery further.

#### Skills/Qualifications:

Required experience in childcare: 1 year Safeguarding Paediatric first aid

All staff are subject to a 6 months probationary period. References and DBS check will be required for successful applicants.

Suitable applicants must hold an NVQ level 3 Childcare qualification or equivalent. Have a good knowledge of the EYFS. Be able to lead by example. Have lots of enthusiasm, energy and drive. Have the ability and experience to build and maintain strong relationships with children and parents.

Contact Mrs Gelver on 07789 037297 or 07787 269154 Email:- cygnets.nursery@gmail.com 1st Shepperton Guide Hall, Russell Road Shepperton. TW17 9HB

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