



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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



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Black History Month

This week in assemblies, we introduced Black History Month and why we recognise this important time. Stories and videos have been shared, including the story 'The History of We' written and illustrated by Nikkolos Smith. It tells the story of everyone's beginning and how we all stem from the same roots. In addition, children joined the 'The Great Big Live' Assembly with 100s of schools around the country, where children heard from inspiring black role models and contributors. We shall continue sharing stories throughout the month.

Term Dates 2026-2027

Dates for the next academic year are now available on our website and detailed below. As you're aware, Surrey have made the decision to make October half term two weeks. As an academy, Saxon is not required to follow the local authority's decision about term dates, however, we have chosen to do so, because we feel to do otherwise may negatively impact our families with children in our feeder secondary schools. Therefore, the half term in Autumn 2026 will be a two-week half term (Oct 19th to 30th 2026). Our end of academic year will remain the same as we will be exercising our academy freedom by making up the additional week within the timings of the school day across the rest of the year. This detail will be shared later in the year.

Open Evening

There was a good turnout for our Open Evening on Wednesday and it was lovely to meet some more prospective Reception 2026 families. Once again, the Year 6 Leaders stole the show and represented the school wonderfully. Thank you and well done to Leah, Madeleine, Rosanna, Emily, Ethan D, Ellie, Micha, Polly, Katie, Leyla, Annie & Iyla. A reminder that families are

welcome to come along to our Stay & Play session tomorrow from 9am-10am.

Harvest

A reminder to please bring in donations from Monday; they can come in all week before we transport them to Jubilee Church to support our local community. Items requested are: tinned meat meals, jam, biscuits, rice pudding, custard, tea, coffee, pasta, toilet roll, soup – please make sure use by dates are after December 2025.

Community Litter Pick

Several families took part in the litter pick on Tuesday after school around our local area. Lots of rubbish was collected so thank you and well done to everyone who took part, and to Spelthorne Litter Pickers for loaning their equipment. Thank you to Mrs Atkinson for organising this.

SSA Festive Fireworks & Market!

Staying with the community theme, on Friday 28th November, we will be hosting our first Christmas Market – with a firework finale!! From 4pm-7pm, families and the wider community can come along for some festive fun, purchase some early Christmas gifts and maybe even get a glimpse of Father Christmas... More information and how to buy tickets will be shared soon but please save the date.



Key Dates

Oct

Fri 17th SSA Halloween Mufti

Mon 20th Wear Red for Racism Day

Tues 21st 9:30 Open Morning for Reception 2026

R-Y4 Halloween Disco (times below)

Wed 22nd Y5&6 Halloween Disco (times below)

Weds 22nd & Thurs 23rd Individual Photos

Thurs 23rd Y2 to Wisley

Fri 24th Inset Day 3 – school closed to children

Mon 27th – Fri 31st Half Term

Nov

Mon 3rd Children return to school

Tues 11th Remembrance Day – Children can wear Cubs/ Brownies uniform

Wed 12th 4:00-7:00pm Progress Meetings

Thurs 13th 3:40-6:30pm Progress Meetings

Other SSA Dates

Monday 20th October – pre-loved uniform sale, after school in the Reception and KS2 playgrounds.

We will be holding our famous chocolate tombola stall at the Christmas Market so there will be two mufti days in November where, in return for wearing their own clothes, we ask children to bring in something chocolately for the stall. They are on Friday 7th and Friday 14th November.

Parking Reminders

Please remember not to park on double yellow lines around school or across driveways. This week, a fire engine really struggled to get through and I'm sure nobody wants to be responsible for services not being able to attend emergencies. We have seen the parking enforcement team around at pick up time, so you may find yourself receiving a fine if parked illegally.

Book Fair Total

Thank you to all families who purchased a book at the book fair last week. We raised £1,629.37, the most we have ever raised! This means we receive £800 to spend on books for our library and book corners! Thank you to all the staff who helped and Mrs Lacey for organising this for us.

Year 6 Bristol Residential

Year 6 are off to Bristol next week and are already excited about their trip! To ensure we have the right number of adults to pupils, we draw across staff from the school to accompany the children. This year, myself, Mrs Vale and Mrs Vaughan will also be attending. Mrs Vaughan and I will be out of school on Tuesday until Thursday lunchtime, and Mrs Vale will be in Bristol on Thursday and Friday.

Parkrun

We are now an official Parkrun Primary School! Junior parkrun encourages children, families and staff to enjoy regular physical activity outside of school hours and lays the foundation for lifelong positive mindset towards movement. Connecting with your local junior parkrun(s) strengthens community links and fosters a sense of belonging. It provides opportunities for everyone to come together in a positive, inclusive environment outside the classroom. Our most local Parkrun is Laleham and you can find more details here:

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/laleham-juniors/>

Jo Roberts, the LLT Chair of Directors, is an ambassador for Parkrun and will be coming to talk to the children about it in an assembly in November. In the meantime, there's nothing stopping your family joining lots of Saxon children who already attend each week. We'll send more information after the assembly too. We look forward to hearing all about the children who sign up!

Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the Spy Dogs, Spy Cats and Spy Pups series.

Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

What this means for you:

- If your child has any Spy Dog, Spy Cat or Spy Pups books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site
- It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link
- We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first

We will continue to share updates from the publisher as more information becomes available.

Achievement Certificates

Certificates of Achievement for demonstrating one of our values (Kindness, Respect, Teamwork, Belonging & Achieving) were awarded to:

KS1

RL	Zac (R) & Hattie (B)
RM	Brodie (A) & Olivia (B)
1B	Finn (B) & Violet (R)
1S	Bobbi (A) & Billy (K)
2A	River (R) & Steven-Charlie (A)
2P	Amir (A) & Tavia (K)

KS2

3B	Lenny (A) & Paul (K)
3T	Ruby (K) & Shivani (R)
4B	Lola (K) & Isaac (A)
4M	Mohammed (K) & Alice (R)
5D	Jake A (A) & Harvey (T)
5W	Aleena (A) & Harry (B)
6A	Madeleine (A) & Viraj (A)
6S	Nellie (A) & Poppy (A)

Vacancies at Saxon

Do you have a passion for Early Years? This is an exciting opportunity for an Early Years Nursery Assistant to work in our Nursery, who is not afraid to immerse themselves in the children's play. We are looking for someone who can be flexible and support learning in a creative way.

For more information on these roles please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/nursery-assistant-1511929>

Vacancies Across the Trust

Darley Dene Primary School in Addlestone is recruiting

Darley Dene are looking to appoint a Teaching Assistant with a Level 3 qualification who has a passion for creating life long learners, is committed to inclusion and equality and has high expectations of themselves and every child.

For more information please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant---level-3-1511718>

Darley Dene are seeking to appoint 2 highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individuals for the role of Teaching Assistant. This is an opportunity for individuals who are patient and emotionally resilient to join our friendly, inclusive and inspirational team of teaching and support staff.

For more information please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1508676>

Consultation on admission arrangements by SCC

Please click on the link below regarding consultation on admission arrangements for Surrey's community and voluntary controlled schools for 2027:

<https://surreyeducationsservices.surreycc.gov.uk/Article/178397?source=Newsletter&guid=AC7C52C0-566F-4417-B758-496B6153E5EA>

Nasal Flu Spray for 2 and 3 year olds

Protect your 2 or 3 year old child from flu with nasal spray vaccine which is now available at local pharmacies. For more information, please click on the link below:

<https://surreyeducationsservices.surreycc.gov.uk/Article/178510?source=Newsletter&guid=AC7C52C0-566F-4417-B758-496B6153E5EA>



Stay on Green

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Octavia (N); Jacob (1B); Arlo, Noah & Saira (2P); Ollie (3B); Athena (3T); Eloise (4M); Frankie (5D) and Holly, Sidney & Carla (5W) well done to all of these children!

Outside Achievements

Very well done to:

- Layla A (5D) received a hat trick ball signed by all her team and coaches, for getting her first hat trick at her football match last weekend.
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Wishing everyone a lovely weekend,

Miss Morris
Headteacher

Open Events for Reception 2026 Families

Do you have a child due to start school in September 2026? Or do you know someone who does? Then please sign up to one of our open events or share this information with family and friends. We have the following formal Open Mornings:

Tuesday 21st October 9:30am
Thursday 20th November 9:30am

You will hear from the Senior Leadership Team, meet some of our Year 6 Leaders and have a tour of the school. There will be the opportunity to ask questions and see our wonderful early years environment.

In addition, we are hosting smaller, more bespoke tours for a few families at a time on Tuesday mornings.

Finally, we have our Stay & Play session for children to visit the school with you on Saturday 11th October at 9am. **New date added: Saturday 8th November at 9am**

All events can be booked on Ticket Tailor: <https://buytickets.at/saxonprimaryschool>

We look forward to seeing you all!

Term Dates 2025-2026

These are the days children are expected in school. Please refer to these dates when booking holidays:

Autumn Term 2025	
Tuesday 2 nd September	INSET DAY 1
Wednesday 3 rd September	INSET DAY 2
Thursday 4 th September	Children return to school
Friday 24 th October	INSET DAY 3
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	HALF TERM
Monday 3 rd November	Children return to school
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term (finish at 1:45pm)
Spring Term 2026	
Monday 5 th January	Children return to school
Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 23 rd February	Children return to school
Friday 27 th March	Last day of term (finish at 1:45pm)
Monday 30 th March – Friday 10 th April	Easter Holidays
Summer Term 2026	
Monday 13 th April	Children return to school
Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school
Friday 17 th July	Last day of term (finish at 1:45pm)
Monday 20 th July	INSET DAY 4
Tuesday 21 st July	INSET DAY 5

Term Dates 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026	
Tuesday 1 st September 2026	INSET Day 1
Wednesday 2 nd September 2026	INSET Day 2
Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Children return to school
Monday 19 th October – Friday 30 th October 2026	Half term (two weeks)
Friday 18 th December 2026	End of Term (day finishes early)
Spring Term 2027	
Tuesday 5 th January 2027	INSET Day 3
Wednesday 6 th January 2027	Children return to school
Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February 2027	Half term (one week)
Thursday 25 th March 2027	End of Term (day finishes early)
Summer Term 2027	
Monday 12 th April 2027	Children return to school
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June 2027	Half term (one week)
Tuesday 20 th July 2027	End of Term (day finishes early)
Wednesday 21 st July 2027	INSET Day 4
Thursday 22 nd July 2027	INSET Day 5

SSA Event



TUES. 21 OCT **WED 22 OCT**

YEARS 1&2
15:00-15:45

YEARS 3&4
16:00-17:00

YEARS 5&6
15:30-16:45

DRINK AND SWEETS INCLUDED WITH TICKET



**SAXON SSA
HALLOWEEN DISCO**

PRICES
£4 (KSI) £6 (KS2)

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT PTA EVENTS

Outside Events



October Half Term with 1st TOUCH FC
Monday 27th - Friday 31st
6-12 YEARS

COST £125

27th October - 31st October
Times & Cost
9am - 3pm
All 5 days £125.00
Daily rate £26.00

AT HAWKEDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

ACTIVITIES AND WHAT TO BRING

- Creepy Crafts
- Spooktacular Sports
- Fungtastic Fun
- Packed lunch, drink & NO NUTS!!!
- Comfortable clothing
- Lots of energy!!!

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LOCAL Craft events

Autumn craft fair

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER


10.30AM- 3PM
SHEPPERTON VILLAGE HALL

JOIN IN WITH NEW INTERACTIVE STALLS

LOCAL-CRAFT-EVENTS@OUTLOOK.COM

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For All The Family

1st Saturday of the month
1.30pm-3.30pm


Museum Makes

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!

FREE DROP IN SESSION

Chertsey Museum, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey KT16 8AT
chertseymuseum.org




Half-Term Drop and Go Children's Upcycling Workshops Halloween Special!

Looking for a fun, creative, and meaningful activity for your child during Half-Term?

Join me at Totally Tangerine Cookery Studio, Shepperton for Children's Halloween Upcycling Workshops!

Dates & Times

- Monday 27th October
- Friday 31st October
- 10am until 12pm

What Children Will Do:

Bring along a bowl, plate, picture frame and learn how to give it a whole new life with Halloween decoupage paper. There will be a range of options available to suit all creative minds, not just halloween decoupage. Children will also learn about upcycling and recycling.

About your teacher:

I am an experienced teacher of 15 years and former Assistant Headteacher. I have an award winning furniture upcycling business, Vintage Chic Furniture Studio.

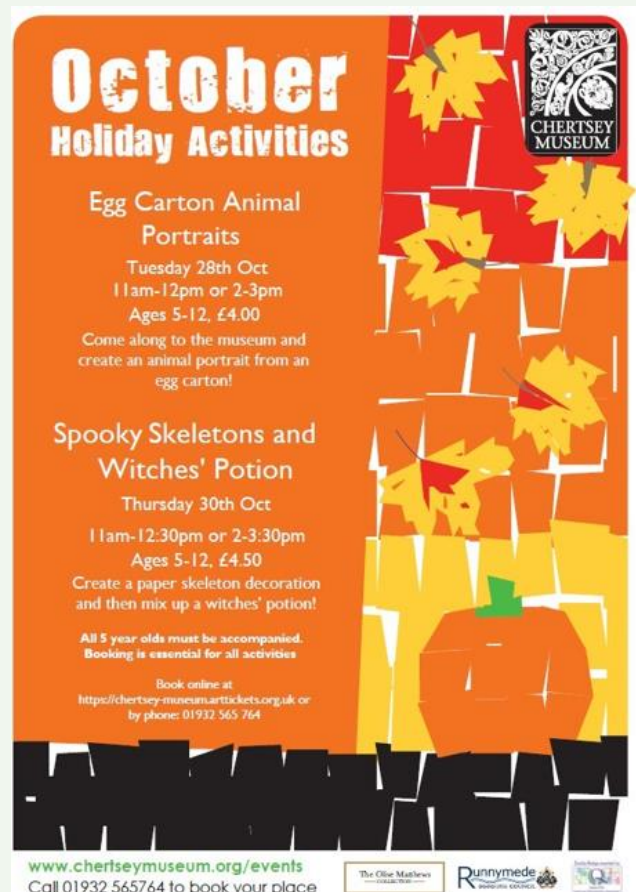

Link to book:
<https://classbento.co.uk/t/8h9t>
Email: Jacquelinecollins@gmail.com
Call Jacqui on 07516 573868

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October Holiday Activities




Egg Carton Animal Portraits
Tuesday 28th Oct
11am-12pm or 2-3pm
Ages 5-12, £4.00
Come along to the museum and create an animal portrait from an egg carton!

Spooky Skeletons and Witches' Potion
Thursday 30th Oct
11am-12:30pm or 2-3:30pm
Ages 5-12, £4.50
Create a paper skeleton decoration and then mix up a witches' potion!

All 5 year olds must be accompanied.
Booking is essential for all activities

Book online at
<https://chertsey-museum.arttickets.org.uk> or
by phone: 01932 565 764

www.chertseymuseum.org/events
Call 01932 565764 to book your place

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The poster features a dark purple background with various Halloween-themed illustrations: a large orange moon with black bats, a black ghost with yellow eyes, a black spiderweb, a black tree with pumpkins, and a black haunted house. There are also two circular inset photos: one showing a child in a green shirt and blue gloves working on a craft project, and another showing children in orange and white sports gear playing basketball on a court.