



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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



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It's been a very busy half term and all of the children should be proud of their achievements so far in Autumn I. Thank you to all the families for their support and to all the staff for their hard work. I hope everyone has a safe and happy half term, and enjoys a good rest!

Staff News

Today we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Vaughan and celebrated her 16 years at Saxon! A huge thank you again to Mrs Vaughan for all she has done for the Saxon community; she is going to be very much missed by all of us and we wish her the very best of luck for the future.

Attendance

As previously shared, our target for attendance this year is a strong 96%. We are currently at 96.2% for the half term! Well done and thank you to everyone who has helped to maintain good attendance. After half term, if your child's attendance has dropped, you will receive a letter notifying you of their current attendance figure. It's important for families to be aware of this information so it can be addressed quickly before it becomes a more serious concern. Good, regular attendance is so important for children's mental health and well-being as well their academic success. Please visit our website for more information about why attendance is so important:

<https://www.saxonprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Attendance&pid=180>

SSA

Thank you to the SSA for organising the discos this week. They were a huge hit! The amount raised was £632.35; thank you to everyone who helped out.

The Halloween mufti raised £283.61.

£70 was raised at the pre-loved uniform sale on Monday, please keep

donating as we will hold another sale in the new year.

A reminder that Christmas card deadline is Tuesday 28th October; all details on how to order online are on the information that came home.

Don't forget to buy your Christmas Market and Fireworks tickets for Friday 28th November! It's shaping up to be a really exciting event.

As you know, all money raised this year is supporting developments to our outside areas, particularly EYFS. We have a wonderful 'thermometer' in the office window tracking our progress, and we can't wait to see it creep up after each event.

Year 2 Trip to Wisley

Year 2 have braved the elements today and are enjoying their trip to Wisley as I write. We look forward to hearing all about it on their return and will share more about this after half term. Thank you to all the adults who accompanied them.

House Event!

New for 2025-2026 are Termly House Events. The House Captains and Vice Captains are responsible for organising an event each term. The first one is on Wednesday 19th November and will have a sports focus; therefore children in years 1-6 need to come to school in PE kit that day, wearing a t-shirt that represents the colour of their house. They are:
Victorians - blue
Celtics - green
Romans - yellow
Tudors - red

More information will be shared after half term but the children are so excited to plan and lead their event!

Key Dates

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| Nov | |
| Mon 3 rd | Children return to school |
| Fri 7 th | Mufti – chocolate donation |
| Tues 11 th | Remembrance Day – Children can wear Cubs/ Brownies uniform |
| Wed 12 th | 4:00-7:00pm Progress Meetings |
| Thurs 13 th | 3:40-6:30pm Progress Meetings |
| Fri 14 th | Mufti – chocolate donation |
| Mon 17 th – Fri 21 st | Reception Stay, Play & Learn |
| Tues 18 th | Y1 Space Workshop |
| Weds 19 th | House Event – children to wear PE kit and house colours |
| Thurs 20 th | Y3 Stone Age Day 9:30 Open Morning for 2026 Prospective Reception Families 7:30pm SSA Quiz Night |
| Fri 28 th | 4pm-7pm SSA Christmas Market & Fireworks! |

Reception children will be allocated their house after half term.

Harvest Donations – A Message from Jubilee Church

On behalf of Bags of Food, we would like to say a huge thank you for your recent generous harvest donations. Your contribution has a significant impact on our ability to provide essential support to vulnerable families in our community. The items you have provided are a welcome boost to our stocks and will directly help us meet the increasing demand for our services. Your partnership allows us to continue our mission of combating food poverty, and we are so grateful for your commitment to helping those in need. Thank you once again for your generosity and for being a vital part of the Bags of Food family. We welcome you to learn more about our work by visiting our website. God bless, The Bags of Food team at Jubilee Church.

Kitchen Audit

Today we welcomed Sodexo to the kitchen where they conducted an audit on health, safety and operational standards. We are very pleased to report that they found no faults. Very well done to Helen, Michelle and Kelly for all their hard work in the kitchen!

Family Event – Wreath Making

A reminder to sign up for the Wreath Making Workshop with Shelly. This is an invitation for the whole family to come into school together to create something beautiful for their home for Christmas. Please express your interest here:

<https://forms.gle/1XRuKSQU8jGWAJKT7>

Half Term ‘Golden Ticket’ Library Challenge

The children have all received their special ‘Golden Ticket’ letters now. All they need to do to be in with a chance of winning a Waterstones voucher is: visit the library during half term, borrow a book or sign up for a new library card and put their Golden Ticket in the box. Winners will be notified after half term –good luck!

Autumn Term Parent Progress Meetings

These meetings will take place on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th November. To make an appointment, please logon to Scopay to book your slot. Online bookings will go live today at 5pm.

It’s really important that family members come along and hear how their child/ren are progressing this term, and what you can be doing at home to support them. The online system closes at 5pm on Wednesday 5th November.

Family Learning Opportunities

[Learning Space](#) is offering a FREE 5-week online course on Effectively Supporting Children Who Are Experiencing Anxiety. See poster below for information.

Surrey Family and Mediation Service

If you are considering mediation, it most likely means you are dealing with difficult personal issues that are important to you, that may affect your future and probably involves your children. Our team of mediators are specialised in the contingencies of divorce and relationship breakdown. They are dedicated to making

the transition as amicable and smooth as possible, walking you through each step at your pace.

<https://www.sfms.org.uk/about-us/>

SF&MS has signed up to the family mediation voucher scheme, that has been launched by The Ministry of Justice (Moj). The scheme offers mediation participants a financial contribution of up to £500 per family, towards the total costs of their mediation. Mediation vouchers will only be allocated to cases where there is a dispute regarding child arrangements. Consent from the clients is required before we then apply for the voucher on their behalf.

<https://familymediationvoucherscheme.co.uk/claim/en-GB>



Golden Leaves

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices, the 5Rs and our values throughout the entire week, and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Lexi (N); Sophia, Alberto, Mia & Isaac (4B); Emma (4M) & Leo (5W) well done to all of these children!

Outside Achievements

Very well done to:

- Evie (3M) took part in her first girls rugby tournament for Vandals and scored her first try
- Ella (5D) has been a busy Brownie. She’s taken part in a district ‘Paddle and Potter’ event, she was chosen to be the sixer of her group and look after a new girl into the pack, and she went away on her first Brownie holiday to PGL this weekend!

A reminder that tomorrow is an INSET day. Wishing everyone a lovely half term and we’ll see you back in school on Monday 3rd November.

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 our last formal Open Morning on:

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 **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 | |
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| 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 | |
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| 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 |



Parent Empowerment Group

A FREE Five Week Online Course for Effectively Supporting Children Who Are Experiencing Anxiety.



"Sarah advises in such a kind and empathetic manner. Her playful parenting, listening, and setting loving limits tools have been particularly helpful for us. We've broken frustrations and got to the bottom of issues with our child so quickly and whilst keeping calm ourselves because of them. We're going to bring these things into our every day, they are going to really add so much to our family life."

Understand How Children's Emotions Work

Learn the brain science behind your child's emotional outbursts and how you can support them effectively when they do happen. Receive support for the sometimes difficult work of parenting as well as celebrating the wins!

Learn five simple but effective anxiety busting tools

Build bite size connection moments. (A game changer for family life). Understand how to set loving limits that build co-operation and help your child thrive and grow resilience.

Understand the role of play and laughter in reducing anxiety

Bring the joy back into family life, build confidence in your parenting and receive reflection time and appreciation for you!



Book using QR Code or email below.
Monday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th Nov & 1st, 8th Dec 2025
10.30am till 12noon online



 07383 517838
 lou@learningspace.org.uk

SSA Event

Saxon Primary School presents

FIREWORKS & CHRISTMAS MARKET BONANZA!

Friday, November 28th
4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

DON'T MISSIT!

Open Community Event - Bring Your Friends & Family!

- Festive Fun for Everyone!
- Magical Fireworks Display
- Delicious Food & Sweet Treats
- Christmas Market Stalls
- Santa's Grotto

£5 Entry Tickets via Eventbrite
Family Tickets Available

All proceeds support Saxon Primary School

CHRISTMAS MARKET FUNDRAISER

CALLING ALL STALLHOLDERS -
SELL YOUR PRODUCTS!

SAXON PRIMARY SCHOOL SHEPPERTON

28TH NOVEMBER
4PM - 7PM

- Support the school fundraiser
- Showcase your products to the local community
- Festive atmosphere with food, entertainment & activities

TO BOOK A STALL, CONTACT:
ssa.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Outside Events

ASHFORD HOCKEY CLUB JUNIORS

HALF-TERM HOCKEY CAMP

Dates: 27th, 28th, 29th Oct 2025
Age: 6-14 years
Time: 10:00 - 15:00
• Drop off from 09:30
• Lunch 12:30-13:30

Costs: £20 a day
£50 for all 3 days per camp
• Discount for siblings

Venue: Ashford Hockey Club, Short Lane, Stanwell, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 7BQ

All abilities and non members welcome

Bring a packed lunch, water, gum shield and shin pads

Hockey sticks will be provided

Please contact Peter to book:
07557 445692 or colts@ashfordhockeyclub.co.uk
or purchase through Pitchero

junior parkrun - where everyone is

welcome

junior parkrun is a free, fun, friendly, weekly, community event organised by volunteers of all ages for children aged 4 to 14.

2k junior parkrun events take place on Sunday mornings and are for the whole community to come together to walk, jog, run and volunteer. Join in on the fun at junior parkrun!

Laleham junior parkrun
junior parkrun event:
Thames Side, Laleham, TW18 1SS

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

Arrive for 0850 - prompt start at 0900

Time: _____

