



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 somewhat of a quieter week in terms of events for the children, but staff have been very busy! Below is a round-up of what's been happening.

As I write, the SSA are busy setting up for the Christmas Market and Fireworks for this afternoon. Any help after school, during the event or tidying up will be much appreciated. Thank you in advance to all the volunteers and for everyone for attending; I'm sure it's going to be a wonderful, festive evening!

Staff News

Today we wish Mrs Lacey the best of luck as she begins her maternity leave. With only a few weeks to go until baby Lacey arrives, we hope Mrs Lacey has a good rest and we look forward to news of baby's safe arrival soon.

Inclusion Review

Mrs Vale and Mrs Lacey were visited by a representative from the SEND team this week and spent two days reviewing our Inclusion provision. It was a reflective and positive experience which included learning walks, reviewing paperwork and processes, and speaking with children and staff. Well done to them both for the hard work that went into this. We will be using the learning from the review to improve our practice even further, and where it's applicable, information will be shared with families.

LLT Committee Meeting

I met with the other Trust Headteachers, senior Trust leaders and Chairs of Governors on Wednesday. Again, this is an opportunity to reflect on the term so far and share experiences, challenges and successes. This collaboration enables cross-Trust support and networking for leaders, which in

turns supports the provision in schools.

LLT Teacher Seminars

Similarly, class teachers across the trust met on Wednesday afternoon in Year Groups to share good practice. These meetings offer the opportunity to see how we can learn from each other, again, impacting on the provision and opportunities for Saxon children.

TA Training

Last week and this week, the Teaching Assistants took part in training on Making Playtimes Active. This is based on a programme called Physi-Fun which are simple games that can be led by adults or children and are all about getting children moving, and engaging them in play. The Y6 leaders who attended the Sports Crew training last week will be supporting TAs at lunchtime in the Spring Term to lead these games.

Girls' Football Match

Well done to the girls who played in their first match this week. They lost 5-4 but played very well and had lots of chances! They showed great teamwork too.

Family Wreath Making Workshop

Shelly Lumb held the first of these yesterday, and it was very much enjoyed by all. It was lovely to see the outcome of everyone's efforts. Thanks to Shelly for organising this. You can see some photos on Facebook.

Mobile Phones/Smoking/Vaping

A reminder that use of mobile phones, smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited anywhere on the school premises.

Roller Skating

Roller skating has now ended for this term. We hope you and your child

Key Dates

Dec

Weds 3 rd	Reception Disco (during school day) Y1-4 SSA Discos (bookable via PTA Events)
Thurs 4 th	Y5&6 SSA Discos (bookable via PTA Events)
Tues 9 th	9:30 Y1 Christmas Concert (bookable via Ticket Tailor) 2:30pm Woodpeckers (Nursery) Christmas Sing-a-long (bookable via Ticket Tailor)
Weds 10 th	9:30 Reception Nativity (bookable via Ticket Tailor) 5pm Big Tree Night
Thurs 11 th	9:30 Y2 Nativity (bookable via Ticket Tailor) 2:30pm KS2 Christmas Market & Carols
Fri 12 th	2:30pm Kingfishers (Nursery) Christmas Sing-a-long (bookable via Ticket Tailor)

enjoyed it. More sessions will run next term - please watch for updates.

Festive Menu Week

As the festive season approaches, we're excited to share some tasty news! From **Monday 15th December to Friday 19th December**, the menu for children who usually have a school dinner will change. Please see the Festive Menu below. All our menus are available to view on our website. For children who normally bring a packed lunch they can also enjoy the **traditional Christmas Turkey meal on Wednesday 17th December**. Please complete the online form by clicking the link below. <https://forms.gle/pENnZZ9R72mMJHBj7>

Christmas Jumper Day

This will also take place on Wednesday 17th December in support of the charity Save the Children. Children are asked to bring in a £1 donation for wearing a Christmas jumper over the rest of their usual school uniform. If children don't want to wear a Christmas jumper, they don't have to, but still bring in £1 please.

Achievement Certificates

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

KS1

RL Poppy (T) & Roman (K)
RM Vienna (A) & Thisini (B)
1B Mabel B (B) & Juliette (A)
1S Dylan (K) & Maisie (R)
2A Eduard (A) & Lilith (R)
2P Emma (B) & Musa (A)

KS2

3B Siena (A) & Freya D (R)
3T Ivy O (K) & Ella R (T)
4B Roman (A) & Ethan (T)
4M Calian (B) & Amber (R)
5D Josie (B) & Edison (R)
5W Will (A) & Lily (A)
6A Ethan D (A) & Annie (A)
6S Finn (B) & Elena (K)

Outside Achievements

Very well done to:

- Jacson (1S) for earning his 2nd white stripe for his belt in Jiu Jitsu
- Corey (5W) for earning his 3rd orange stripe for his belt in Jiu Jitsu

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Morris
Headteacher



Stay on Green

Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: Archie C & Ralph (N); Nancy, Anirudh & Eden (RL); Isa, Eduard & River (2A); Ayza & George R (3B); Shivani, Matthew & Isaias (3T); Daksh, Eilidh & Chris (4B); Jasper, Daisy & Dolcie (5D); Esme, Katie, Ethan D & Lilly-May (6A) and Scarlett, Rayaan, Misha & Elena (6S) well done to all of these children!

Vacancies Across the Trust

The Echelford Primary School is recruiting:

Are you committed and passionate about education and keen to make a difference? Are you highly motivated, proactive, flexible and reliable? We are offering a wonderful opportunity to become an integral part of our exceptional community of children and adults.

We are looking to appoint someone who wants to create a provision that is stimulating, safe, caring and creative. The right candidate will be organised and able to lead and work as part of a team and use their own initiative.

For more information on these roles please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/wraparound-care-manager-1519381>

Happy Bags

Happy Bags have been sent home with your child today. Please bring your full bags in on Tuesday 9th December.

What we collect

We accept:

- ✓ Adults and children's clothing
- ✓ Paired shoes
- ✓ Handbags, belts, hats, jewellery
- ✓ Toiletries, perfumes,
- ✓ Souvenirs, unwanted gifts

Please ensure that all items placed in the bags are in good REUSABLE condition. Please ensure that the bags remain dry on rainy days. Thank you

If unsure about anything, please call us on 0170 868 5071.

We do not accept:

- ✗ Uniforms, underclothing
- ✗ Bric-a-brac, toys, DVD'S, CD's
- ✗ Rugs, blankets, curtains, books
- ✗ Household linen, pillows, duvets
- ✗ DIRTY, DAMAGED, or WET clothes

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

**SILENT
DISCO**

WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER
YEAR 1 & 2 – 3PM-4PM £6
YEARS 3 & 4 – 4:15PM-5:30PM £7

THURSDAY 4TH DECEMBER
YEARS 5 & 6 – 3:30PM-4:45PM £7

**JUICE, SNACK & SWEET
BAG WILL BE PROVIDED**

**TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE
VIA PTA EVENTS**



**JOIN US FOR THE
BIG TREE NIGHT
COUNTDOWN!**
10 DECEMBER 2025

FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER

BIG TREE NIGHT ROCKS!

We're starting our countdown by spreading some early Christmas cheer with a festive rock hunt around Shepperton!

Creative students from Thamesmead School have already painted rocks and hidden them all over town.



Get hunting!

Join in the fun from this weekend! If you spot one, snap a pic and share it on the 'Shepperton Big Tree Night' facebook page - then re-hide it for someone else to find!

Want to join in? Paint your own rock - and add 'Big Tree Night' before hiding it.
Good luck on your hunt!

FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER

JOIN THE ELF HUNT!

12 days before Big Tree Night, Ethel the Elf will be sneaking around the High Street hiding in a different shop window every day!

Your mission:

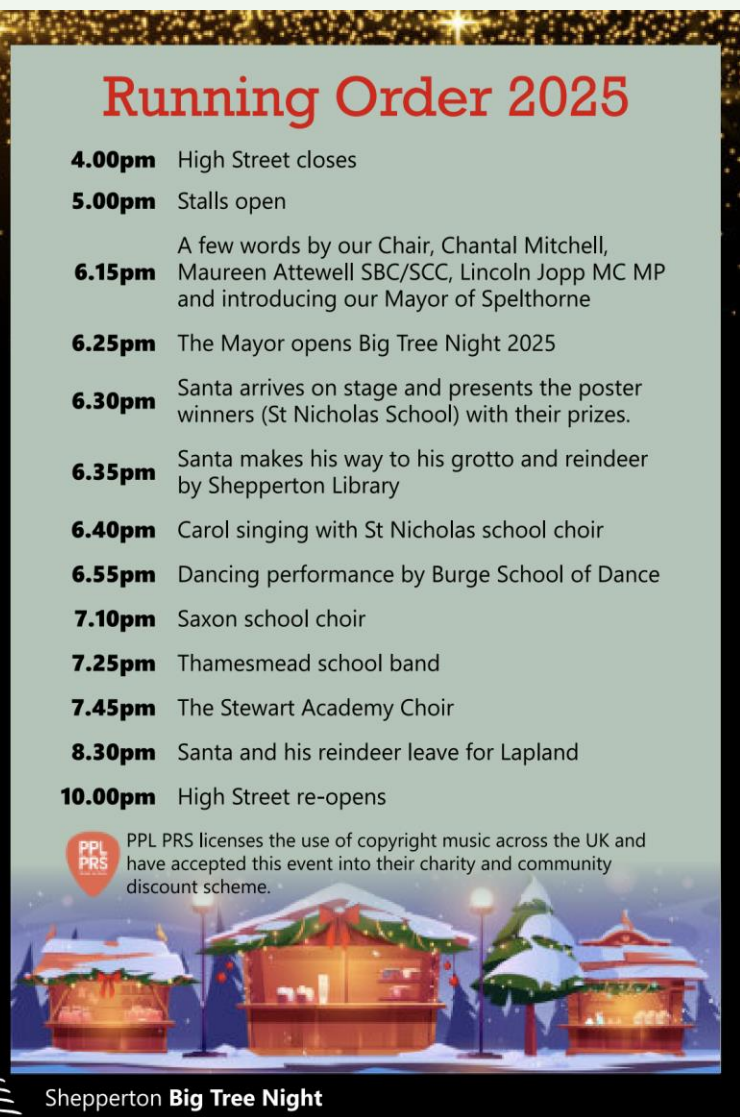
- 🌲 Visit the High St and see if you can spot where she's hiding each day!
- 🌲 Collect your sweet treat reward inside the shop where you found her!
- 🌲 Share a photo of the cheeky elf with us on our facebook page.



WED 10 DECEMBER


BIG TREE NIGHT IS HERE!


FOLLOW US:
Shepperton Big Tree Night



Running Order 2025

- 4.00pm** High Street closes
- 5.00pm** Stalls open
- 6.15pm** A few words by our Chair, Chantal Mitchell, Maureen Attewell SBC/SCC, Lincoln Jopp MC MP and introducing our Mayor of Spelthorne
- 6.25pm** The Mayor opens Big Tree Night 2025
- 6.30pm** Santa arrives on stage and presents the poster winners (St Nicholas School) with their prizes.
- 6.35pm** Santa makes his way to his grotto and reindeer by Shepperton Library
- 6.40pm** Carol singing with St Nicholas school choir
- 6.55pm** Dancing performance by Burge School of Dance
- 7.10pm** Saxon school choir
- 7.25pm** Thamesmead school band
- 7.45pm** The Stewart Academy Choir
- 8.30pm** Santa and his reindeer leave for Lapland
- 10.00pm** High Street re-opens

 PPL PRS licenses the use of copyright music across the UK and have accepted this event into their charity and community discount scheme.



Shepperton Big Tree Night

BOYS FOOTBALL

1 Day Christmas Camp



In partnership with



WHAT?

Technical development/1st touch/receiving the ball.

Team games / combinations / 3v3, Defensive techniques and understanding.

Finishing & 4 aside transitions – attacking and defending.

WHERE?

3G Pitch
ABBEY
RANGERS FC
Addlestone
KT15 2QH

WHEN?

Tuesday 23rd December
8.30am – 4.00pm

AGE?

Under 5 (Reception)
Under 6 (Year 1)
Under 7 (Year 2)
Under 8 (Year 3)
Under 9 (Year 4)
Under 10 (Year 5)

COST?

£35.00



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