



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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



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Staff News

Congratulations to Mrs Burberry who was successful in her application to become the Deputy Manager of the Nursery from September. I know everyone will join me in wishing her well in her new role.

Miss Nicholls (Y2 TA) will be leaving Saxon on the 5th June. Miss Nicholls moved away from the area two years ago and has been commuting quite a distance to work since then. Therefore, she's decided now is the right time to find a role in a school closer to home. I'd like to thank her for all her hard work in the time she's been at Saxon, and we wish her well for the future.

Attendance

As we end this half term, our current whole school attendance figure is 95%. Whilst this is just below our target of 96%, we are pleased with 95% given the recent sick bug that has been present throughout the school.

Reception Induction Evening

On Tuesday, it was lovely to welcome our new and current families whose children will be joining us in Reception in September. They were greeted by and had the opportunity to talk to our Year 6 leaders, who did a great job representing our school. Well done and thank you to them. We'll next see the children for their settling in session in June, which we're really looking forward to.

Family Forum

Mrs Vale and I held our second Family Forum yesterday morning with one parent representative joining us to discuss Celebrating Diversity in our school. It was a shame more family members

weren't available but thank you to the parent who was able to come. We'll share more in September about some of the ideas, including the launch of a Diversity Council for pupils, and the minutes will be on the website after half term. We'll hold another meeting in Summer II and will share the date and agenda soon.

September 2026 Class Mix

A letter was sent this morning to share that we will be mixing the Year 3, 4 and 5 children into new classes for September. Please use the information in the letter to support conversations at home.

Nurturing Schools' Award

Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. There was some really positive feedback as well as some ideas for how we can develop further. I'm pleased to share that we have submitted our application today, and at some point next half term, we will have an assessment meeting with the Nurture UK team. We'll let you know more when that has taken place.

Arts Day

On Wednesday, every year group focused on a diverse range of artists, with a theme of Curiosity & Kindness. Children used different mediums to create individual sculptures and then contributed to a whole school piece with a theme of plants and flowers. Photos of the artwork will be put on Facebook after half term. It was a wonderfully creative day which the children thoroughly enjoyed!

Key Dates

May

Mon 25th – Fri 29th May Half Term

June

Mon 1st Children return to school

Wed 3rd Class Photos

Thurs 4th SSA Happy Bags Collection

Fri 5th Mufti for SSA Family Festival

Mon 8th – Fri 12th Y5 Bikeability

Sat 13th Shepperton Fair

Wed 17th 9:30am KS1 Sports Day
2pm EYFS Sports Day

Thurs 18th 9:30am KS2 Sports Day

Tues 23rd 3T Feet First

Wed 24th 3B Feet First

Fri 26th SSA Family Event

Tues 30th Y6 Secondary School Visits
Move up Morning & New Reception Induction

July

Tues 7th Year 2 Trip to West Wittering

Fri 17th End of Term – finish at 1:45pm

Mon 20th INSET DAY 4 – no school

Tues 21st INSET DAY 5 – no school

Wed 22nd Summer Holidays

Sept

Thurs 3rd Children return to school at 8:40am

Year 4 Visit to Burlington Care Home

As part of Arts Day, both Year 4 classes visited the residents at Burlington Care Home, working together to create some wonderful artwork for our display. The feedback from staff was so positive about how the children showed our values and interacted with the residents, and the care home also shared what a lovely experience it was for them. Thank you to Burlington for hosting us and to the staff who accompanied the children there.

Year 5 Trip to Hampton Court

The Year 5 children had a wonderful visit to Hampton Court yesterday in the sunshine. They came back full of excitement about seeing the Haunted Gallery, the kitchens and Henry VIII's apartments, supporting their History learning in class. Well done to the children for showing our values outside of school and thank you to the staff for organising and accompanying the children on the trip.

Year 4, 5 & 6 Swimming Gala

Well done to all of the children who competed in the Spelthorne Swimming Gala at Staines swimming pool on Wednesday. Congratulations to the Year 4 & 6 children who came second overall in the year group competition, and to all of the children for coming 2nd out of the 6 schools that took part. There were some individual and team successes too, so well done everyone. Miss Parsons was very proud of the children's support for each other and the other schools taking part. Thank you to Miss Parsons, Mrs Wells and Mrs Moody for organising for the children to go, training them in advance and accompanying them on the day.

Student Visitors

This week, we welcomed students from St George's and Halliford Schools for a day's experience of a primary school. They have been based across classes supporting learning as well as lunch times, completing a litter pick and tidying up the allotment.

Community Litter Pick

Our next community litter pick is after school on Tuesday 2nd June. Everyone is welcome to stop by the carpark and collect a litter picker and rubbish bag, and help keep our local community tidy.

SSA Happy Bags

Happy Bags have been sent home with your child today. Please bring your full bags in on **Thursday 4th June before 9am.**

We accept:

- ✓ Adults and children's clothing
- ✓ Paired Shoes
- ✓ Fashion accessories
- ✓ Handbags, Belts
- ✓ Hats, Scarves
- ✓ Jewellery, Perfumes

We don't accept:

- ✗ Dirty, Damaged, Wet Clothes
- ✗ Uniforms, Underclothing
- ✗ Toys, Books, DVD's, CD's
- ✗ Duvets, Pillows, Household linen
- ✗ Carpets, Blankets, Curtains
- ✗ Bric-a-Brac

Saxon Summer Fair – Friday 26th June 3:30pm – 6pm

We are excited to announce more details for the Saxon Summer Fair!

There will be games, stalls, bbq, inflatables, a bar and much more. We need x8 volunteers from each year group to make this happen.

Reception - Games including Hook a Duck and Splat the Rat

Year 1 – Teddy Tombola

Year 2 – Tin Can Alley and Flip the Bottle

Year 3 – Welly Wanging

Year 4 – Cake Stall

Year 5 – Sweet Tombola

Year 6 – Inflatables

Sign up information to follow!

We are also looking for Summer Fair Sponsors! If you are interested, please contact the SSA ssa.saxon@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Vacancies Across The Trust

Darley Dene Primary School is recruiting: We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual 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.

If you actively enjoy working with children in a stimulating and creative environment, have experience ideally within the education sector and are professional in your approach with a desire to make a lasting personal contribution to our children's lives, we want to hear from you. For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1554520>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint a Deputy Wraparound Care Manager who is highly motivated, proactive and passionate about making a difference, to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team.

For more information please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/deputy-wraparound-care-manager-1554544>

The Echelford Primary School in Ashford is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint a talented part time Teaching Assistant on a fixed term contract to cover maternity leave with a proven record of providing high quality support to children of all abilities, including those with additional educational needs. The right candidate will be joining a strong, professional team of enthusiastic staff who will work alongside you in a supportive and constructive way. Full or part time considered for the role. For more information please visit:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1554693>

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<https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1555952>

Achievement Certificates

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

KS1

RL Hattie (B) & Molly (A)

RM Jack (B) & Suhee (A)

1B George (A) & Lilah (R)

1S Maisie (R) & Jacson (A)

2A Annie (B) & River (T)

2P Jordan (A) & Felix (K)

KS2

3B Daisy (A) & Shiv (A)

3T Harry (A) & Ella Y (B)

4B Sam (T) & Joshua (K)

4M Fadey (B) & Jaylen (R)

5D Jasper (K) & Felicity (B)

5F Rex (T) & Tiffany (A)

6A Rosanna (B) & Lily-May (B)

6P Harry (A) & Alex (B)

Outside Achievements

Very well done to:

- Jacson (1S) earned his final white stripe on his white belt in Jiu Jitsu and got the Warrior of the Week Award
- Harley, Clarke & Vinnie (Y2) played for Abbey Rangers last weekend, winning the Spelthorne Football Tournament
- George (3B) Player of the Year and runner up for Most Improved Player for Weybridge Vandals RFC
- Isaac, Roman and Alberto (4B) competed in their first football tournament of the season on Sunday and their team finished top of their group. They ended up coming second in the tournament and we are so proud of them
- Calian (4M) came second at his club tennis tournament, playing 6 matches across 3 hours
- Alice (4M) started horse riding 10 weeks ago. At her very first ridden event, she was awarded two rosettes for completing two clear rounds. This week, she also had her first experience cantering on a horse, which she really enjoyed
- Corey (5F) got a special recognition award in Jiu Jitsu for all his hard work as he gets ready for his first competition

Stay on Green



Consistently demonstrating green behaviour choices throughout the entire week and therefore receiving a golden leaf this week were: George & Violet (1B); Tahlia,

Maya, Bobbi & Bhavni (1S); Toby, Ruby & Vinnie (2A); Alex, Freya D, April, Montana, George R & Ellis (3B); Harry (3T); Leila-Hope (4B); Mohammed (4M); Layla A, Leighton & Holly (5D); Keev, Sidney & Carla (5F) & Isabelle, Sayuni, Khadeeja & Annie (6A) well done to all of these children!

Have a lovely half term in the sunshine and we'll see everyone back to school on Monday 1st June.

Miss Morris
Headteacher

Term Dates 2025-2026

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

Summer Term 2026	
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

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commitment to inclusion and equality for all.

Tours are available every Friday morning at
10am and will last approx. 30 minutes.



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FRIENDLY OFFICE TEAM ON 01932
563035 DURING TERM TIME WHO
CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU
MAY HAVE**



YEAR 5 & 6

CAREERS' FAIR

TUESDAY 23RD JUNE

1:30 - 3:00PM

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

to speak to the children about your
job and the knowledge, skills and
qualifications you need to be
successful in your role.

Scan the QR code to sign up!





SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

Help your school raise vital funds by donating all your unwanted yet reusable clothing, paired shoes, handbags & accessories. Happy Fundraising

Bring all your donated clothing on:

4th of June

Please bring your clothing in bags



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Summer Term: 13th April – 13th July

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At **Swim Quest**, our lessons help children build confidence, improve technique and learn vital water-safety skills that last a lifetime.

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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!

junior parkrun event: _____

Location: _____

Time: _____





Survey
**Multi-Use Games Area,
Memorial Gardens, Staines**
11 May - 21 June 2026

Spelthorne Borough Council is exploring the potential redevelopment of part of Memorial Gardens in Staines-upon-Thames, with plans to install a multi-use games area on the green next to the Riverside Car Park.

Your feedback is important to help us design an area that meets the needs of the community and enhances the park for everyone. Please take a few minutes to share your views.

The survey is open from 11 May - 21 June 2026.

To take part, visit www.smartsurvey.co.uk/t/gamesarea or use the QR Code.

For a printed survey, email **communications.marketing@spelthorne.gov.uk** or call **01784 444260**.



Spelthorne Borough Council is currently running a public survey regarding proposals for a new Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) at Memorial Gardens in Staines-upon-Thames.

The proposal aims to create an improved outdoor recreational space for young people and local residents, and we are keen to hear views from children, parents, carers and staff. Information about the proposal and a link to the survey can be found at <https://www.spelthorne.gov.uk/news/2026/share-your-views-proposed-new-multi-use-games-area-memorial-gardens>