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KINDNESS, RESPECT, COURAGE, EXCELLENCE

SPORTING PROWESS

What an active week we have had! On Tuesday afternoon it was the Cross Country practice at Priory Park, well done to everyone who took part. The teams have been selected and you have been notified if your junior child is going to represent us in the actual competition on Tuesday 26th February after school.

On Thursday we played St Johns at both football and netball. We drew the football match 2-2 and played really well - there were some super sporting moments from several players (including Tilly in goal)! We also played really well in the 2 netball matches but weren't victorious.

Thank you to all the staff and parents who made these sporting fixtures a great success.



CONGRATULATIONS
 Congratulations to Mrs Balls who gave birth to a new baby boy on Wednesday. He is called Austin. Mummy and baby are doing well and settling in to a new way of life. Mrs Balls looks forward to coming to visit us soon.



Also through the week many Year 6 children took part in bikeability (old cycling proficiency) and learnt to use the road safely.

NURSERY APPROVAL

We were notified very late today that the Regional Schools Commissioner (part of DfE) has approved our application to have a Nursery at Salfords Primary. We are absolutely delighted as this will strengthen the school's standing in the community and support our families earlier in their children's development.



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Thank you to Natalie Broad and Sarah Lynagh from GLF who have led this initiative. There is now a lot of work to do with SCC. The opening date is to be confirmed but will be sometime in 2020 as September this year is now too soon.

LANGUAGE OF THE WEEK

The expectations of children's use and understanding of language is key to their learning success. This week we are exploring the term 'individual liberty' which is the 5th and final aspect of British Values. This is defined as:

"Individual liberty suggests the free exercise of rights generally seen as outside Government control."

Liberty – independence, freedom and autonomy

Within school, pupils are actively encouraged to make choices, knowing that they are in a safe and supportive environment. Pupils are encouraged to know, understand and exercise their rights and personal freedoms and advise how to exercise these safely, for example through our E-Safety and SMSC lessons.

Whether it be through choice of challenge, how they record work, selection of lunches or participation in our extensive extra-curricular clubs - pupils are given the freedom to make choices.

MATHS INPUT FOR PARENTS

We look forward to seeing all parents and carers the first Friday back (1st March) at 9am in the school hall. Our Maths leader Mrs Reynolds will be discussing the different aspects of maths teaching and learning i.e. fluency, reasoning and problem solving. There will then be the opportunity to see your child/ren in their class where you may join them in their maths learning up until 10am. Please come to the front entrance and sign in.

ECO SCHOOLS SUCCESS

Well done to Mr Welch and the Eco Warriors who have secured our Silver Eco Award. Their enthusiasm, ideas and plans were praised by the judging team. Keep turning off those lights, bringing in those batteries and recycling and reusing materials!

VOLUNTEERING IN SCHOOL

The information required to obtain a DBS for regular volunteering in school is available from the office. Please note this service costs £7.50 per applicant and requires a range of ID. We ask that volunteers come in weekly or fortnightly. There

YEAR 2 SATs MEETING

The re-scheduled Year 2 SATs meeting for parents and carers is set for Wednesday 27th February at 9am and 5.15pm. There is no need to book but it is an expectation that every child is represented.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Next half term you will receive your child's annual report for years 1 to 6. The 2 Reception classes and Sparrows class will hold parents' evenings. Wrens and Robins is confirmed for Thursday 28th March.



Silver

Eco-Schools
Silver Award

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must certainly not be more than a 3 month gap otherwise the DBS lapses.

SCOOTERS

Neither school children nor siblings are permitted to ride scooters anywhere within our school boundary due to the number of people and the changing terrain. Thank you.

TERM DATES 2019/20

We are finalising our term dates for the next academic year 2019/20. We have confirmed:

- Monday 2nd September INSET for staff
- Tuesday 3rd September INSET for staff
- Wednesday 4th September: Y1 to Y6 children in school (YR TBC)
- October half term is Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November
- Christmas holidays are Monday 23rd December to Friday 3rd January 2020

HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME

**** REPEATED FROM LAST WEEK DUE TO THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS SUBJECT MATTER ****

Screen Time Use: Pointers from <https://www.webwise.ie/parents/screen-time-advice-for-parents/>

- 1. Agree on a clear set of rules with your child on screen time in the home.** Talk to your child on when you think it is appropriate and inappropriate to use screens. Agree times when screens are allowed and not allowed in the home. For example dinner time, homework time and bedtime.
- 2. Do as you say.** Modelling behaviour is THE most powerful way you can influence your child's behaviour.
- 3. Restrict the use of computers/devices in the bedroom.** Depending on the age of your child you may want to set a curfew or ban devices from the bedroom completely.
- 4. Buy an alarm clock for your child's bedroom and charge their phones in your room at night time.** This can be a helpful way of giving them a break from the internet.
- 5. Pick one evening a week where you do a family activity together,** whether it's movie night, games night. Doing activities together as a family will help implement screen time guidelines and offer fun alternatives.
- 6. Join in,** why not set some time aside to play your child's favourite computer game and discover the online world together.
- 7. Try not to rely on screens too much to keep the kids amused.** It can be easy to encourage kids to pick up the tablet or play a game on the computer to keep them occupied. This only confuses rules on screen time, try and stick to the agreed rules with your child and remember to set a good example.
- 8. Don't have screens always on in the background.** Turn off TVs and Computers when not in use, these can be distracting for kids if they are trying to participate in another activity.
- 9. Chat with your child about what they do online and encourage them to use their screen time for learning and education.**



COMMUNITY NEWS

Parent Autism Conference: Friday 1st March 2019 Dorking Halls, Dorking, Surrey 9.30am—3.30pm

Surrey County Council Local Offer Graduated Response Parent Panel Afternoon with a solution based focus:



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- Making visuals to take away
- How to write a social story

Q&A session with professionals Information stands available throughout the day

Refreshments included but lunch not provided

Parents/carers: £30

To book your place, please email courses@sendteachingschool.co.uk for a booking form.

For further information please contact Vicky Jones on 020 8330 3009 extension 237.

Please note there will be no crèche at this event, so please can you make alternative childcare arrangements.

DATES & EVENTS

All dates are subject to change: please check carefully.

HALF TERM: Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February

Date	Activity
Monday 25th February	Start of Spring 2 Football Match
Tuesday 26th February	KS2 Cross Country race at Priory Park after school
Thursday 28th February	Yr 3 Swimming Commences 9am & 6pm - Yr 4 Residential Meeting for Parents Away Netball Match against Merstham
Friday 1st March	9am - Maths input for parents in hall then 'classes in action' - parents invited to classes to support maths learning (up to 10am)
From Monday 4th March	PTA silver challenge starts
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day: dress up as a book character
Friday 8th March	9am English SPAG workshop for parents (about 30/45 mins)
Monday 11th March	INSET: no school for children
Wednesday 13th March	9am PTA meeting
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day - wear red noses and red items of clothing with uniform (red noses previously on sale in school)

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Wednesday 20th March	Choir members at VIAM - London
Monday 25th March	Yr 6 Junior Citizen Trip
Tuesday 26th March	Yr 5 Sparkfish Easter Experience
Wednesday 27th March	PTA mufti for silver challenge
Thursday 28th March	Wrens and Robins YR & Sparrows Y1 Parents' Afternoon & Evening
Thursday 28th & Friday 29th March	Y4 residential trip
Monday 1st April	GLF Science Fair
Wednesday 3rd April	PTA egg hunt after school
Friday 5th April	Trophy assemblies End of Spring term 12.10pm

EASTER HOLIDAYS: Monday 8th - Monday 22nd April

Summer Term starts - Tuesday 23rd April

PTA UPDATE

[Valentine's Day cake fair](#)

Thank you very much to all those who brought in cakes for the cake stall (and of course to those who purchased them!)
We made £189.37 in profit - great work!

Our next after school event is the [Easter Egg Hunt](#) on Wednesday 3rd April - more details to follow.

Monday 4th - Friday 15th March is the [Silver Challenge](#). More details soon but please start gathering up those silver coins lost down the sofa or rolling around in the car. We are aiming to get over the £400 mark so every penny helps!

Have a relaxing half term holiday.

Claire Regnard & Carrie Christer

Co-Headteachers

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