



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been so lovely to see a bit more sunshine recently - long may it continue! With that in mind, I'll now be gently (and probably repeatedly!) reminding everyone about sun cream and sun hats for the children as we head into the warmer days ahead. A good dose of sun cream in the morning should see them through the day but you are welcome to send a bottle in with the children if you would like. Please label it with their names and understand that adults cannot administer the sun cream so the children are responsible. We would highly recommend you doing it for them in the morning!

This morning, we thoroughly enjoyed 4LB's class assembly. The children truly shone with their confidence, enthusiasm and teamwork. A special mention must go to the Sun in their climate change inspired performance, who really did shine! It was wonderful to see such creativity and effort from the whole class.

Looking ahead to next week, Year 3 are very excited for their upcoming trip to the Gilbert White Museum. It promises to be a fantastic learning experience, bringing their studies to life in a memorable way. Meanwhile, Year 5 will be visiting the church, which is always a highly educational trip. Each visit, the children impress us with the thoughtful and insightful questions they ask.

On Friday next week, we will also have a FOPS uniform collection taking place outside the shed before 4BC perform their class assembly. If you have any good-quality uniform items to donate, we would be very grateful.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend ahead.

Kind regards

Pete

Pete Wright

Head Teacher

Keeping Children Safe Online

YouTube:

YouTube continues to be a go-to platform for entertainment, learning and creativity, but its vast and largely unregulated content library presents ongoing challenges. This guide, updated for 2026, outlines how features like recommendations, 'Shorts', and social interaction can shape young people's viewing habits, sometimes exposing them to inappropriate or extreme material.



Coming Up

April

30th – Year 3 Visit to Gilbert White House

30th - Year 5 Visit to The Church

MAY

11th – 14th – KS2

SATS Week

15th - Year 1 Cake Sale

18th - Pirbright Has Talent Auditions – All Day

19th - Year R visit to Wellington Country Park

20th – 10:30 – 3:00 -

Year 5 Open Cricket

20th - KS2 Theatre Trip - Barnum - New Victoria Theatre

25th – 29th May HALF TERM

JUNE

2nd - Year 1 Visit to British Wildlife Centre

2nd - Year 2 Victorian Day

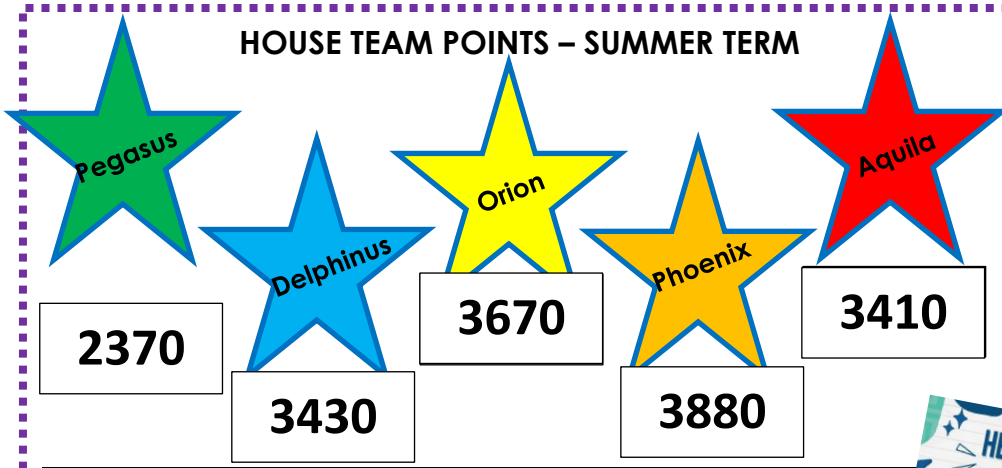
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SCHOOL PHOTOS!
4LB CLASS ASSEMBLY



HOUSE TEAM POINTS – SUMMER TERM



Weekly Attendance Update	
Reception & KS1 Winners	KS2 Winners
Whole School Year to Date	
95.6%	

HEAD TEACHER AWARDS



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Huge congratulations to Isaac (5SF) on his marathon and to Alex (5SF), Lucas (3ND) and Henry (3ND) on their half-marathons!



HEAD TEACHER AWARDS are given out on a Thursday during assembly where we have the opportunity to hear about the children's successes of the previous week and celebrate how they embodied the Pirbright Values.

UNIFORM

Just a reminder on the following please...

- **Boots are not a part of school uniform.** Children should not be wearing boots during the school day. If they need to wear them to walk to school, then they should change into shoes on arrival.
- **Trainers must be completely black.** We added trainers into the uniform policy for day to day wear as a way to support parents but some children are now wearing trainers which are black with other colours (white sole or pink bits for example) and this was not the agreement. Children must be in totally black trainers or we will revert to all children wearing school shoes and no trainers will be allowed.
- **Earrings** should be a plain stud (gold, silver, pearl, "diamond" or a plain colour). Not a sparkly, fancy stud or anything with a drop or a character or a shape like a leaf, kiss, flower or any variation. Just a plain stud. The other option is no earrings at all, so please ensure children are following the rules and we won't have to ban them completely.
- **PE Shorts are different to cycling short.** Children must have PE shorts for lessons and will not be allowed to take part if they are trying to wear their cycling shorts only.
- **Cycling shorts** can be worn under dresses, we totally understand this, but they need to be in school colours (black, white, blue or grey).

Thank you!

Keeping Children Safe Online

Do you know what your child does online and how safe they are? We have teamed up with Daniel Sykes from the Cyber Protect Team at Surrey & Sussex Police and will be hosting an online session about how to protect children from online harm.

The session is designed to give parents easy to implement advice so that they can help their children to grow up in the digital age with confidence and security.

Key Topics Include:

Online Risk: The art of spotting a scam and keeping children safe from harm and criminal activity online.

Social Media and Chatroom Safety: The risks of social media, social engineering, disinformation, AI, privacy and account compromises.

Gaming: Understand what the risks are to young people when they are gaming, and discover how to monitor and restrict their use.

Cyber Security For Parents: learn how to secure devices and keep children safe.

Q&A: Ask us anything!

Wednesday 6th May (8pm-9pm)

To join the webinar, use this link and login details: www.tinyurl.com/s2bavxx4

Meeting ID: 323 966 853 230 51

Passcode: ot2Va9hB

Dogs at Pirbright

We would like to share a few important reminders about dogs at school and the responsibilities owners should consider when bringing their furry friends to Pirbright.

- Dogs are not allowed on site unless they are being carried.
- In the mornings, dogs may be safely spaced and secured outside the KS1 gate in the area affectionately known as *Dog Alley*. We trust parents to use their judgement when deciding whether this is appropriate for their dog, and issues here are rare. Staff will, of course, let you know if any concerns arise.
- After school, dogs must not be tied up in Dog Alley, as this area becomes extremely busy during pick-up time.
- We have noticed an increasing number of dogs being tied to the front fence, which is causing concern. We will continue to monitor this, but may need to introduce a full ban if the situation does not improve.
- If you are with your dog at the front of the school, this is absolutely fine. However, we are concerned about dogs being left unattended. This is a busy path and roadside area and at peak times dogs can become anxious or react unpredictably. This is not fair on the dogs or those passing by.
- Please think carefully about whether it is necessary to bring your dog to pick-up and if you do, you should try to remain with it at all times. After-school collection is significantly busier and more unpredictable than the morning drop-off.

We will also be reminding all children of the golden rule: **never approach or pet a dog without the owner's explicit permission**. As many dogs in Dog Alley are not accompanied by their owners, children should avoid interacting with them.

A parent has kindly shared some helpful advice for children around dogs, which we have included on the next page. We encourage you to read through this with your child.

Cobham Dog Training Club

CHILDREN & PUPPIES / ADULT DOGS

The following points should be considered when children and dogs are together:-

- Children do not always interpret dog behaviour accurately and may therefore continue to approach a dog that is offering a warning signal
- A small child's face is often at the same height as a dog's - if a child stares at the dog the dog may think he is being challenged and possibly lunge at the child
- Parental control is paramount to teaching both child and dog how to behave together

Never leave a child alone with a dog – always supervise

Children need to be taught:

Never:

- make sudden movements close to a dog
- scream or suddenly yell close to a dog
- lunge at a dog, particularly when it is asleep
- put their face close to a dog's face
- run/play football in dog's presence – this encourages chase instincts and in some cases, aggressive behaviour
- tease or pull a dog's body or coat
- punish / correct a dog
- touch a dog that is tied up
- allow on their beds (especially if showing dominant behaviour)
- ignore a dog's warning growl
- take a dog out on their own without parental supervision



Always:

- approach the dog from the side and offer closed fist for dog to smell (he will know you next time!)
- wash hands after playing with a dog
- ask permission before touching a dog they do not know
- play with their dog when supervised
- groom / feed their dog with adult supervision
- lie very still, like a tortoise, with head tucked in if knocked over by adult dog
- respect their dog, learn his needs and the way a dog reacts to certain situations
- be kind

General:

Children learn so much about life from living with an animal and a puppy can really bring fun to the family. However, sometimes small children can feel jealousy towards their pet if the dog receives more attention than them. He/she may then be mean to the dog which may spoil the relationship. If there are several members in a family each one may try to win the dog's affection and the dog may become very confused/spoilt with too many instructors. Other children visiting your house should be supervised too for their sake as well as the dog's as they may not know how to behave around them.

The puppy/dog should always have a safe haven where he can be allowed to rest quietly without being disturbed. Puppies need a lot of sleep. A crate and/or a playpen is ideal.

A houseline attached to your puppy (only when you are present) can be a great help in teaching the puppy not to tug on clothes, jump up at children, etc. A quick tug as he/she is about to misbehave will interrupt and take control. Puppies' teeth are sharp and can frighten children – the puppy must be shown that this is not acceptable behaviour (see help sheet on "Bite Inhibition").

N.B. www.the-kennel-club.org.uk Go into Working with Dogs "Safe and Sound" – safety factor challenge game for children – well worth a visit. Also, the Blue Dog Parent Guide CD available from me. A useful book to read is "Dogs and Children" by Barbara Sykes (ISBN 1 86126 4895)

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Auditions: Monday 18th May 2026

Children will be called to the Music Suite throughout the day so need to be ready!

Years 2 – 6 are welcome to audition

Children will be notified if they have been successful ready for the final performances...

Thursday 18th June 2026 (PM)

Singing, dancing, joke telling, magic, gymnastics, musical instrument and all manner of talents considered!

Pirbright Has Talent T&Cs

- ✓ Children will be called by year group throughout the day.
- ✓ There is no need to “register” or book an audition. Just bring your resources (if needed) and get involved on the day.
- ✓ If parents want to send any music directly to Mrs Dow beforehand, please do so – cdow@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk
- ✓ Children can bring in music on a memory stick or just ask for it on the day and we will find it on Spotify or YouTube – they must know what they are asking for!
- ✓ They will perform their audition in front of their year group friends who are also auditioning.
- ✓ Auditions will be a short “snippet” of the performance and may be cut shorter than children would like; last year Mrs Dow auditioned over 100 children, so this is to make everything achievable!
- ✓ Children will find out who are performing to the whole school as soon as possible; this is likely to be the following day.
- ✓ Children DON'T need costumes or make-up etc for the auditions.
- ✓ Children can only be in one act.

Dear all our loyal customers, parents, friends, and little adults,

At **Valentino Schoolwear**, we are ensuring our **Annual Discount Promotion** for 2026 is **available online** and **in-store** for our customers, no appointment required.



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Use discount code **SUMMER15** at checkout.

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Hello darlings,

I have so much good news for you. Our wonderful fundraising team has secured tickets once again to LEGOLAND for the June inset day and tickets are LIVE RIGHT NOW! This sells out so quickly so please don't miss out – £24.50 per ticket, an absolute bargain! It's also much quieter than going on a regular weekend day – less queuing and more time enjoying all the attractions Legoland has to offer. It's one of my favourite days out with the children and I'd highly recommend: www.pta-events.co.uk/fops

One last point on Legoland, and other FOPS events, is that we are bringing back the option to buy an extra ticket for a child who may not otherwise have the chance to go. If you are ever in a position to add an extra ticket for an event to your basket, those extra tickets make it possible for a child to be able to join in the fun, when perhaps otherwise they might not be able to.

Tickets for the Circus will go on sale on Monday! It's a full 2-hour circus show, with a short interval, performed by professional circus performers. I feel the need to emphasize that in case anyone reads this newsletter and wonders whether this is something FOPS have cobbled together and it is, in fact, just a few members of FOPS fundraising team squashed into Lycra bodysuits, spinning plates on sticks whilst balancing on one leg... Guest appearance from Mr Wright, dressed as a clown... No, no, it's all legit. It's a proper circus, and there will be a few little stalls like the adult tombola, and perhaps a raffle outside. Maybe Mr Wright could still dress up as a clown. I'll ask him. We would love some sponsors for this event, local businesses who are feeling generous – please let us know! Any raffle prizes – again let us know!

Next Friday (the 1st of May), you can book your slot on the FUN RUN! 27th June – 1.5 miles or 3! And there's going to be a proper medal for every runner – and I've seen them... and they are proper. That's reason enough to do it, in my opinion. That and, you know... health... longevity.... Dopamine. I dunno, let's just cajole our weary souls into action and get a wiggle on in the name of fundraising!

Last one for this week – a reminder when booking tickets for the above! **THE VOLUNTARY FEE** on the PTA site. If you can remember, please pay the fees – I think what no one realises is that, if you don't pay them, then FOPS must. If you can remember to pay those voluntary fees, it just takes a mini amount of financial burden from the FOPS team. Many, many thanks. See you again soon. Go get those Legoland tickets before someone else does!





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BEDSER SCHOLARSHIP 2026

Give your cricket a boost and take the next step in your game!

Are you a girl currently in School Years 4–9?
Do you live in Woking, attend a Woking school, or play for a Woking cricket club?

We're inviting girls across Woking to join us for this year's Woking Bedser Scholarship trials.

Softball Trials

Monday 11th May
 Old Woking CC

Hardball Trials

Monday 18th May
 Woking & Horsell CC

For more information and to sign up, contact:
Ed Belger | Head Coach | ebelger@surreycricket.com



SCAN TO FIND OUT MORE

Let's Move Together

ACTIVE SURREY & family voice surrey

SEND Movement & Wellbeing event
Sunday 26 April 2026
12pm – 3pm
Guildford Spectrum Leisure Centre

Creating Connection

We're excited to welcome **Paralympian Lizzi Jordan MBE**, who will be joining us to inspire children and young people with stories of resilience, possibility and the joy of movement.

This **free**, family-focused event is exclusively for Surrey children and young people with **Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)** and their families.

Explore a range of inclusive activities, including:

- Sports & movement sessions
- Games and Scalextric
- Crafts & creative zones
- Quiet breakout spaces
- Small animals for calm engagement

A space to feel included | A space to play, explore and connect |
A space to discover what movement can mean for your family

While **booking isn't required**, register for your free tickets in advance to receive an event pack by email before the day, including everything you need to know and details on how to claim your free goody bag. Simply **scan the QR code**.



WOKING TOWN FC OPEN DAYS!

18th April & 2nd May



U5-U9 (YEARS R-4) 10am - 11am
U10-U18 (YEARS 5-13) 11am - 12pm

EASTWOOD LEISURE CENTRE
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PATHWAY TO WELLBEING

Pathway to Wellbeing is a supportive and empowering programme for learners managing mild to moderate mental health conditions.

Our tailored courses are designed to help you build confidence and support your personal growth whether you would like to build on skills you have or try something new.


Courses run for 11 weeks each term, starting in April, September and January.

Our courses:

- Decorative mosaics
- Drawing, painting and mixed media
- Cookery
- Creative photography
- Pottery and claywork
- Creative zine making

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**SURREY
ADULT
LEARNING**

Pathway to Wellbeing is a supportive and empowering programme, to help people on their journey toward personal growth. Courses start from mid-April and are free to eligible learners. [Discounts and special offers in adult learning - Surrey County Council](#) Follow the link for more information about who can get a discount

Summer Term 2026 - Starting from Monday 13 April 2026, Surrey Adult Learning has a new term packed with hundreds of courses and workshops. [Adult learning - Surrey County Council](#)

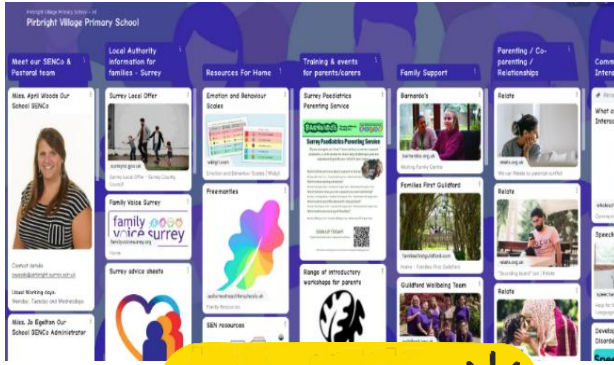
Pathway to Wellbeing tailored courses is designed for learners managing mild to moderate mental health conditions. Whether looking to build on skills they've already developed or try something new. Gain a new skill for work, learn a language, pick up an art or craft class, learn a new recipe, or enjoy some healthy living with nutrition, yoga, dance, or mindfulness.

Courses and workshops run both online and at centres across Surrey; Camberley, Esher, Farnham, Guildford, Molesey, Sunbury, and Woking.

To enrol, contact: 0300 200 1044 or visit one of the centres listed above. Enrolment closes three working days before the course starts

Courses include:

- Decorative Mosaics
- Get creative using recycled china, mosaic tiles and glass to create your own unique piece of art
- Cookery Courses
- Explore the world of cooking at our Molesey centre. Learn to prepare nutritious dishes with seasonal ingredients or dive into world cuisines
- Pottery and Clay work
- Unleash your creativity with clay. Learn different pottery techniques and create beautiful, unique pieces to keep.
- Creative Zine Making
- Discover the world of zines! In this hands-on course, you'll explore creative writing, journaling, drawing, and painting, all while crafting your own personal zines
- Drawing, Painting and Mixed Media
- Discover the relaxing world of drawing and painting, exploring colours, materials, and techniques to express your creativity.
- Creative Photography
- Focus your mind and capture beautiful moments while boosting your wellbeing through photography.



SEND & Pastoral Support Padlet

Just a reminder that Miss Woods and Miss Egerton have been very busy putting together a Padlet which is jam packed full of information and resources which you might need as a parent. Whilst they primarily have SEND parents in mind, the wealth of pastoral, learning and parenting based resources is absolutely incredible and will certainly benefit all of our families so please take a look. They will continue to add to it so please let them know if there is anything in particular you would like them to cover.

Dates for the Diary 2025/2026

March 2026		April 2026	30 th – Year 3 Visit to Gilbert White House 30 th - Year 5 Visit to The Church
May 2026	11 th – 14 th – KS2 SATS Week 15 th - Year 1 Cake Sale 18 th - Pirbright Has Talent Auditions – All Day 19 th - Year R visit to Wellington Country Park 20 th – 10:30 – 3:00 - Year 5 Open Cricket 20 th - KS2 Theatre Trip - Barnum - New Victoria Theatre 25 th –29 th May HALF TERM	June 2026	2 nd - Year 1 Visit to British Wildlife Centre 2 nd - Year 2 Victorian Day 3 rd - Year 4 Trip - Fishbourne Roman Palace 5 th - Learning Looks – PM 10 th - Year 5 Girls' & Year 6 Girls' Cricket 10:30 – 3:00 11 th - Year R Zoolab workshop (at school) 16 th - Year 6 Open Cricket 10:30 – 3:00 18 th - Pirbright Has Talent Show PM (No Parents – sorry!) 19 th - Sports Day & Family Lunch 26 th - Y5 trip to Woking Mosque (Shah Jahan Mosque) 26 th - Littlehampton Beach Trip - Year 2 26 th - Reception Cake Sale 27 th - Armed Forces: Picnic on the Green 29 th – INSET DAY – School will be closed to children 30 th - Year 6 into 7 Induction Day (Surrey Schools)
July 2026	1 st - Year 6 into 7 Induction Day (Surrey Schools) 4 th – The FOPS Summer Fair 9 th –Summer Concert EVE (Parents Welcome) 10 th – 10am Late Registration 13 th – 3.15pm - 4.00pm Celebration Afternoon (Parents Welcome) 15 th – Year 6 Leavers' Party (Eve) 5:30pm 16 th – Year 6 Fun Day 17 th – 10.00am Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Parents Welcome) 17 th – 1.30pm – End of Term 20 th - INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils) 21 st – INSET Day (School will be closed to pupils)		

Term Dates 2025/2026

Term	Start	End
AUTUMN 2025	Tuesday 2 nd September 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 27 th October 2025	Fri 31 st October 2025
<i>Christmas</i>	Monday 22 nd December 2025	Friday 2 nd January 2026
SPRING 2026	Monday 5 th January 2026	Friday 27 th March 2026
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 16 th February 2026	Friday 20 th February 2026
<i>Easter</i>	Monday 30 th March 2026	Friday 10 th April 2026
SUMMER 2026	Monday 13 th April 2026	Tuesday 21 st July 2026
<i>Half term</i>	Monday 25 th May 2026	Friday 29 th May 2026

INSET DAYS 2025/2026

Tuesday 2nd September 2025
 Wednesday 3rd September 2025
 Friday 24th October 2025
 Wednesday 28th January 2026
 Monday 29th June 2026
 Monday 20th July 2026
 Tuesday 21st July 2026

Class Assemblies 2025/2026

Friday 1 st May 2026 at 10am	4BC
Friday 8 th May 2026 at 10am	RRE
Friday 15 th May 2026 at 10am	RJL
Friday 22 nd May 2026 at 10am	5GJ
Friday 3 rd July 2026 in the AFTERNOON (Time TBC)	Year 6

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AUTUMN 2026	01 September 2026	16 October 2026
<i>Half term</i>	19 October 2026	30 October 2026
	02 November 2026	18 December 2026
<i>Christmas</i>	21 December 2026	01 January 2027
SPRING 2024	04 January 2027	12 February 2027
<i>Half term</i>	15 February 2027	19 February 2027
	22 February 2027	25 March 2027
<i>Easter</i>	26 March 2027	09 April 2027
SUMMER 2024	12 April 2027	22 May 2026
<i>Half term</i>	28 May 2027	04 June 2027
	07 June 2027	23 July 2027

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CLUB CLASS HOLIDAY CLUB

£30 PER DAY
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Holiday	Dates	Booking Closes
Autumn Half-Term	27 th - 31 st October	23 rd October
Christmas Shows Late Collection Service KS2	10 th & 11 th December 6-7pm	N/A
Spring Half-Term	16 th - 20 th February	12 th February
Easter Holiday	30 th March - 2 nd April	26 th March
Summer Half-Term	25 th - 29 th May	21 st May
Summer Holiday	20 th July - 14 th August	16 th July

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