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Co-Headteachers' Message

We have had a sensational week, developing our scientific skills as part of National Science week. The fun began last Friday when the children all experienced a special Silly Science workshop. This week, the children have worked on the theme "Everyone is a Scientist" and each year group has focused on a different scientist, finding out about them and their important work. The children have also carried out different experiments throughout the week and enjoyed sharing all of their work with children from another class. You can see much more of the fun that has been happening on our Facebook Page. A member of each class has been awarded a 'Scientist of the Week' award; you can see their names at the end of the newsletter.

Thank you to Miss Watts for all her hard work organising such a successful week. We would also like to thank the PTFA who funded the Science workshop and Mrs Towersey who secured an Educator Grant, awarded by the Grant Imahara STEAM Foundation, in return for her work at the Celebration Star Wars Event in London, last April. The money from this grant has helped to fund the resources used by the children in their experiments, as well as some science themed books.

If a whole week of Science wasn't exciting enough, as part of Red Nose Day today, the children have enjoyed wearing items of red and taking part in a special 'keepy-uppy' challenge. Thank you for all of your donations. There is still time to donate to the fundraising page by clicking on the QR code below. All money goes directly to Comic Relief to support their work.

Other highlights this week have included: Year 4 visit to St Michael's Church, Year 5 Netball Tournament against Cleves and a Year 4 Maths challenge at Saxon Primary School. We will share pictures of some of these events on our Facebook page.

This afternoon, our Year 5 Children will be traveling to Tunbridge Wells to take part in their Residential at Bowles Rocks Outdoor Centre. We know they will have an amazing time and we look forward to sharing their adventures next week.

Mrs . Bugembe & Miss Oakley





Congratulations to our Boys' Football Team

A few weeks ago, we shared the success of our boys' football team who won the Surrey Tournament for the chance to represent Chelsea Football team. They progressed into the next round and played at Chelsea's training ground in Cobham on Monday. In this round, the team once again reached the final. Unfortunately, they conceded a goal in the last minute. Despite not winning, we are exceptionally proud of how well the team have done and the fantastic way they worked together, demonstrated respect to each other and other teams and were fantastic role models for our school. Thank you to Miss Holman for all her work to ensure the children were able to be part of this memorable experience.



Sponsored Bunny Hop

On Friday 22nd March, Echelford will be participating in a sponsored bunny hop in school. Children will complete a circuit of the KS2 playground using their best bunny hop skills. A sponsorship form will be sent home today; good luck!

Enrichment Clubs

This is a reminder that this term's Enrichment Clubs will finish next week. There will be no clubs week commencing 25th March.

Parent/Carer Teacher Consultations

Our Spring parent and carer teacher consultations will take place on Tuesday 26th March (4pm-7pm) and Wednesday 27th March (3.40pm-6pm). To book, simply log into Scopay and choose the Parents Evening tab.

Dismissal time end of Term

Our final day of this term is Thursday 28th March. We will be finishing earlier than our normal school day. Dismissal will be at the following times:

Reception, Years 1 & 2	1.35pm
Years 3 & 4	1.40pm
Years 5 & 6	1.45pm

Vacancies within the Trust

Lumen Learning Trust is recruiting:

We are seeking an experienced, enthusiastic individual for the role of Governance Professional and Clerk to Directors to join our growing Trust, this is a part time role that offers flexible term time working. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/lumenlearningtrust/job/governance-professional-and-clerk-to-directors-1403073>

Riverbridge Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint enthusiastic and creative Teaching Assistants/1:1 Teaching Assistants with a 'can do' attitude who are passionate about making a difference, to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/teaching-assistant-1406374>

Lumen Learning Trust is recruiting:

We are looking to appoint a member of staff to support in the delivery of P.E. lessons across the five Lumen Learning Trust (LLT) schools, this is an exciting role for anyone who is interested in coaching and developing youth sport. This role is supported by Sports Premium funding and therefore is a fixed term contract, expiring on 31st August 2025. There is the possibility that the contract will be extended subject to the funding from the DfE continuing. <https://www.eteach.com/job/sports-coach-1407402>



Darley Dene Primary School is recruiting:

Are you ambitious and keen to make a difference?

We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1408200>

Darley Dene Primary School is recruiting:

We are seeking to appoint a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual who is qualified with a minimum of Level 3 Teaching Assistant to join our team. For more information please see:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/level-3-teaching-assistant-1408206>

Saxon Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking for a highly enthusiastic, proactive, flexible and reliable individual for the role of Teaching Assistant. This is a part time, term time role, working 22.5 hours a week, Monday to Friday. The successful candidate will join a hardworking and dedicated team of teachers and support staff, who are committed to improving outcomes for children in their care. For further information please visit <https://www.eteach.com/job/teaching-assistant-1408963>

Achievements outside of school

If your child would like to celebrate success within the school community, please inform your class teacher or the office staff of your news. Along with the Newsletter, we will display any sports achievement photos and information on our 'Sports Shout Outs' board in the gym.



Well done to Thomas in 3DT and Albert in 1C who have both moved up a group in their swimming lessons. They have both been swimming for nearly a year now and are still enjoying their lessons. Congratulations boys on this amazing achievement.



We are very excited to share with you that Cameron in 6W and his Ice Hockey teammates, The Guildford Fireflies, have been crowned U12 South West England League Champions for the 2023/24 season. As a result of this accomplishment, they have earned qualification for the National Finals scheduled to take place in Sheffield on the 11th and 12th May. Congratulations to Cameron and his teammates on this amazing achievement.

Additionally, we would like to extend our best wishes to the team as they travel into Europe later this month, where they will attend a three-day tournament against teams from France and Austria.





Well done to Ava in 3H who achieved her level 4 badge at gymnastics. Congratulations on this fantastic achievement.



Congratulations to Georgina in 2A who has recently received her 'Silver Award' at Rainbows. She is the first Rainbow in her unit to achieve this award. Well done Georgina on this fantastic achievement.



Congratulations to Mason in 4S who has passed his level 3 and level 4 Gymnastics Awards and has now moved up to the intermediate boys' group. Well done Mason on this fantastic achievement.



Class Learning Awards

The following classes were this week's winners, working as a team whilst using our curriculum online resources. Well done!



Class: 6J



Class: 2B

Green Values Award

Every week, an award is presented to a child in each class for embodying one of our Green Values. Congratulations to those children who have represented one of our values so brilliantly this week.

RG	Arvitha	RL	Jind	RO	Kaleb
1A	Oliwier	1C	Heidi	1H	Jaskirat
2A	Zachary	2B	Issri	2W	Elliot
3DT	Oliver	3H	Salaar	3S	Poppy
4EJ	Edyth	4M	Bessie	4S	Finley
5B	Riley	5G	Tate	5W	Sydney
6H	Georgie	6J	Aleks	6W	Ify



Gold Leaf Achievers

Every week, we celebrate those children awarded a Gold Leaf this week for their effort and achievement in their learning.

Aahana S, Harper B, Louie H, Davina B, Charlie P, Louie H, Ema F, Alex I, Emilia R, Liahna D, Bentley V, Isabelle S, Scarlett W, Nellie-Mae H, Deanna S, Henry H, Amber S, Adela F, Panav S, Logan F, Eliza S, Grayson B, Theo H, Michael G, Albert M, Avaani P, Dotty H, Harry B, Hugo G, Jessica P, Theodore C, Logan P, Jessica J, Finley J, Sienna S, Grayson Bi, Kanan A, Aarya P, Amelia s, Jason K, Zach H, Erin L, Jackson D, Teddy K, Muhammed M, Mohan Veer A, Isla R, Erin M, Noah S, Aubrey B, Nathaniel L, Navraj B, Owen J, Rosie M, Tommy H, Jaxon B, Ellis L, Ayaan H, Myles S, Alfie A, Ethan H, Sukhpreet T, Reggie C, Saoirse M, Vidhaan S, Sienna H, Frankie C, Robyn C, Rico P, Skylar W, Rayan M, Luna D, Darcy O, Maaria K, Imogen H, Elias M, Samuel W, Samuel W, Amelia S, Raihaan P, Mason O, Mohammed Z, Rosie W, Lewys J, Damian T, Isobel P, Myla-Rose H, Annie V, Lyla R, Caitlin M, Jotham D, Oscar C, Misha M, Francesca S, Matilda D, Millie W, Zahra A, Archie-Joe S, Alexia G, Willow C, Yo Yo Y, Liliana P, Hannah C, Blu A, Lola B, Sienna L and Shrey M.

Scientist Award

RG	Davina	RL	Yuna	RO	Logan
1A	Isla	1C	Avaani	1H	Luca
2A	Zach H	2B	Owen	2W	Kaira
3DT	Connie	3H	Jessica	3S	Aarav
4EJ	Elias	4M	Rian	4S	Rosie
5B	Marilou	5G	Arthur	5W	Shane
6H	Bachir	6J	Mason	6W	Tommy

On behalf of the Echelford Primary staff team, we wish you a pleasant weekend.



Easter Holiday Activities

Button Spring Trees
2nd April
11am-12pm or 2pm-3pm
Create a spring tree picture using paint and buttons
Cost: £4

Excellent Egg Cups
4th April
11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Decorate a wooden egg cup, egg and spoon
Cost: £4.50

Clay Day
9th April
10-10:45, 11:30-12:15, 2:00-2:45
See our Greek vases and make a clay creation
Cost: £2.50

Make a Board Game
11th April
11am-12:30pm or 2pm-3:30pm
Design your own Snakes and Ladders game
Cost: £4.50

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
Activities for ages 6-12 (5 year olds with parent)
<https://chertsey-museum.attickets.org.uk/>

www.chertseymuseum.org/events
Call 01932 565764 to book your place

The Blue Machine
Runnymede

Museum Makes

For All The Family
1st Saturday of the month
1.30pm-3.30pm

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!

FREE DROP IN SESSION

Chertsey Museum, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey KT16 8AT
chertseymuseum.org

Runnymede

Free activity sessions

For 7-11 year olds
Local to you, after Easter
Sign-up from 1st March onwards

Book your place - scan the code

- Join with friends!
- Dance, Girls Touch Rugby, Judo, Tennis, Boccia
- Friendly, supportive coaches
- Everyone's a beginner
- Make new mates local to you

"It's fun, it's free and there's loads and loads of activities you can do" - Lara

"We were blown away with the games and what was available" - Parent

Book now

AS ACTIVE SURREY

AiP

Job Opportunity
General assistant, Saxon Primary School
22.5 Contracted hours available - Permanent Position
(Term time only)

Working in a busy kitchen as part of a team, the role will cover all aspects of food preparation, serving on the counters at lunchtime, dealing with students and any enquiries that may arise. Clearing down at the end of service and all other aspects of working in a busy school kitchen are integral to the role.

You will be expected to adhere to Health & Safety & Food Safety regulations at all times.

No experience needed as full training will be given.

The successful candidate will be required to hold an Enhanced DBS and the correct Right to work documentation. (Applied for by AIP)

All interested applicants please request an application form by sending your CV to the email below:
Email: Princy.Ugale@sodexo.com



Get your kids active with FREE local activities this Spring!

Do you know about the FREE, FUN and LOCAL weekly activities on offer for kids and teenagers in Surrey?

You can [search by town or postcode](#) to see what's on offer near you.

The 6-8 weeks of activity training kick off across 9 of Surrey's boroughs and districts (excluding Tandridge and Surrey Heath) after Easter.

All the coaches have been handpicked to be friendly and supportive - the emphasis is on having fun and taking part. There's SO MUCH on offer for 7-16 year olds, including:

- Dance
- Judo
- Girls' Touch Rugby
- Boxing
- The Run, Ride, Row Challenge
- Boccia (a type of seated bowls accessible to all)
- Street Basketball
- Tennis



Families LOVE the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games:

"My daughter absolutely LOVED every week from the first time." - Parent

"My son looked forward to attending every session." - Parent

"The other kids are all really nice. I've made friends I didn't know before." - Charlie, 12

"9 out of 10 children who took part in the Specsavers Surrey Youth Games last year said they were happier for doing so and their confidence had been boosted", according to Lil Duggan, MD of Active Surrey.

She added, *"Daily physical activity is vital for children's happiness and physical and mental health. The cost-of-living crisis has exacerbated the challenges faced by Surrey's children, making it even more crucial for families to have access to free, fun and local activities."*

Registration for the FREE, FUN & LOCAL activity training is open now!

Places are limited so BOOK NOW to avoid disappointment.

To sign your child up, visit the Active Surrey website at <https://bit.ly/3OFQlbH>

Or use your phone to scan this code:

