



6th March 2026

OTTERS Shaw NEWS!

Dates for your Diary:

March

9th Commonwealth Day Service of Celebration (invited children)

11th Year 5 to visit Fullbrook to see their production of Oliver!
Year 4 Bikeability begins

12th Hedgehogs Forest School
1.30pm-3pm Celebration for Nursery and Reception (children only)

13th OPTA Break the Rules Day.
Otters Forest School

16th Theatre workshop for Reception and morning/all day Nursery children

17th Year 3 / 4 Cross Country at Hoe Bridge

18th Year 2 visit to Wisley

19th Squirrels Forest School

20th Badgers Forest School

23rd Easter Pause Week begins.
Relays Cross Country at Hoe Bridge

24th Year 4 Last Swimming Lesson.
9.30am-11.45am Panathlon Final at Guildford Spectrum. (Selected children)
11am - Nursery Spring Assembly, followed by cakes in the Nursery .
1.30pm Year 3 Delight in dance performance to parents.

25th Easter Church Services.
Juniors leave school at 8.45am, return at 10.15am

Years 1 and 2 leave school at 10.30am and return in time for lunch

26th 1.30pm Year 5 Easter Production in the Junior Hall

Nursery Afternoon Children Last Day

OPTA Fun Run

27th End of Term
Nursery closes at 1.00pm.
Junior School closes at 1.05pm.
Infant School closes at 1.15pm.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have absolutely loved our Book Week this year, each year group has enjoyed a book with a distinct Belonging and Inclusion theme which the children have embraced wholeheartedly. My huge thanks, as always, to Mrs Jenkyn for finding the books for us and planning our week – it is always one of the highlights of our school year. I have to say the artwork and writing in response to the stories has been amazing and I know that Years 3 and 4 loved working with the drama students from Woking College to bring their stories alive. I do hope your children have been talking to you about their book. Also the Infants enjoyed a lovely bedtime story session with Mrs. Jenkyn on Wednesday evening and all loved coming to school in their pyjamas on Thursday. It has truly been a wonderful week for us all.

Other highlights of the week include:

Our amazing Cross Country runners in Years 5 and 6 ran their hearts out in the District Competition at Hoe Bridge School on Monday evening – what a performance!! We came away with some individual medals for the boys and currently our girls team are in 1st place and the boys team in 3rd place. We have 3 more events to go before winners can be announced but we really have got off to a flying start. Well done everyone!

Our two Year 6 classes each performed Macbeth to their parents today – such a powerful retelling of the famous Shakespeare play, the children really brought the story to light and have clearly loved learning the story. Well done Year 6 😊.

Congratulations to the Year 1 and 2 selected children who attended a football tournament at Woking Hockey Club. They all played brilliantly and showed great team spirit. Thank you to Mr Sanders for organising this opportunity for them.

International Women's Day

Thank you to OPTA for giving the children some flowers to give to the strong women in their life for the recognition of International Women's Day.

Messy Church

Sunday 8th March, 4.00pm-5.30pm. Everyone welcome, suitable for all the family. Fun, faith, craft, songs and food. Please email monicahallcc@gmail.com to book a place.

Year 3 and 4 enjoying Woking College students drama performance.



Dates for your Diary continued...

30th March to 10th April – Easter Holidays

April

13th Back to School

14th Year 3 Swimming Lessons start

16th Primary Application Outcomes – sent out from 5pm onwards (Reception and Y3 places)

22nd OPTA Quiz Night

May

11th Year 6 SATs Week

15th Crazy Hair MUFTI

18th Class Photos Infant and Juniors

22nd Sports Day / Family Picnic

June

1st Year 4 Multiplications Week

5th Reserve Sports Day / Family Picnic

12th MUFTI for Ottershaw Village Fair

16th Year 6 leavers service at Guildford Cathedral (children only)

18th Nursery Visit to Hobbledown. (Nursery closed)

26th INSET DAY

29th INSET DAY

Staffing news

Our lovely Mrs Partridge has finally decided to retire after working at Ottershaw for 28 years. Mrs Partridge has touched so many lives with her kindness and thoughtfulness and I'm sure you all remember her with huge love and fondness. In honour of her long service and dedication to the community we are inviting parents to donate towards a gift via SCOPAY (you will see the link from your SCOPAY accounts) and are also asking that, should you wish to write a message or card for Mrs Partridge that you drop it into the Infant Office where we will be collating all the messages for her.

Mrs Partridge leaves us with big shoes to fill....

Finally, I am asking you to hold some people in your thoughts and prayers over the coming days:

We sadly lost our lovely Bishop of Guildford earlier in the week and are praying for him and his family at this sad time. We are also holding all the people affected by the latest world conflict in the Middle East in our hearts, especially those with family in the region.

Enjoy your weekend!

Yours sincerely



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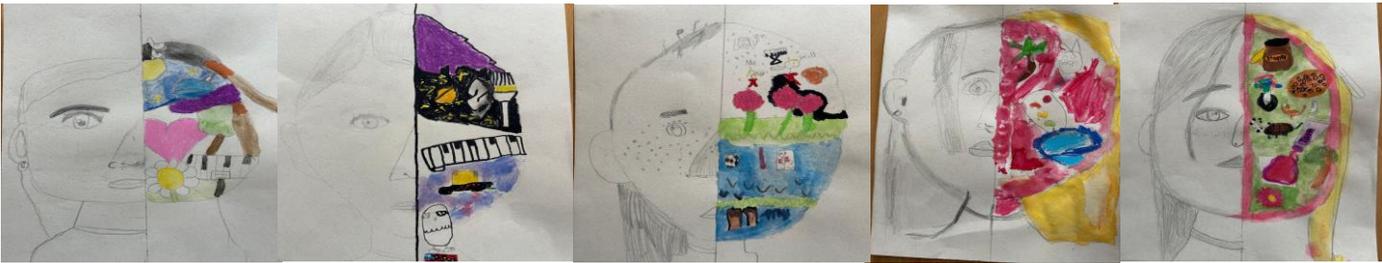


Photos of the week!

Book week



Self portraits on the theme of; I go quite/ I get loud, David Quimet by Year 3



Year 5 and 6 Cross Country

