



12th September 2025

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OTTERSHAW NEWS!

Dates for your Diary:	
Autumn Term 2025	
September	
16 th	Year 5 swimming begins at The Meath
17 th	Year 3 to Church for Welcome and Belonging Activates
18 th	Year 5 Fire Safety Workshop
19 th	Flu Immunisations for Infants and Juniors (deadline 15 th Sep for consent) Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight 8.25am – 8.55am Junior – Meet the teacher 2.45pm- 3.15pm Infant – Meet the teacher
22 nd	Junior Head boy / girl Speeches and School Council Elections
24 th	Year 1 Chertsey Museum Toy Workshop
25 th	Reception/New Parents Phonics Workshop at 9am and/or 5.30pm at the Infant Hall 5.30pm OPTA Uniform sale at the Infant Hall 6.30pm OPTA AGM at the Infant Hall
26 th	9am English Workshop at the Juniors -Year 3 and any New Parents in Junior Hall Otters Class - Forest School
29 th	Engage Assembly for Juniors and Year 2
October	
2 nd	Open mornings for Prospective Parents. Infants at 9.15am / Juniors 10.30am (pre booking required)
3 rd	House Captains announced in Junior Celebration Assembly. Badgers Class - Forest School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our Reception and Nursery Children who have completed their first full week in school!

We have all enjoyed our Belonging Prayer Space this week – it's so important for the children to think about how we are all special, unique and belong together.

OPAL

We are still gathering resources for our new play project and all donations are welcome please! Here is a video link for you to watch so you know what we are aiming for. [Click Here](#)

We know the children will absolutely love this and we can't wait to get started (we just need more donations from you all please).

A list of items are [available here](#)



Marvellous Me

We are still having problems with Marvellous Me – they have joined a larger company and the swift system we once had is proving significantly more complicated to sort. We are working on it and exploring another means of sharing good news with you. We are sorry for the delay.

Asthma Plans

If your child uses an inhaler and needs to have one in school, please make sure that we have a prescribed one in school and that you have signed the Administration of Medication consent form. In addition, we know many children also have an asthma plan, issued by their GP surgery – if your child has an asthma plan can we please have a copy of this too.

Year 2 Forest School

We are very pleased to offer Year 2 Forest School this year. The classes will have a turn on alternate Friday afternoons (after Celebration Assembly). Just as in Year 1, they can wear their Forest School clothes to school on their day and please bring wellies and waterproofs as we don't cancel Forest School just because it is raining (although we might in a thunder storm or strong wind conditions).

The schedule for Year 2 is as follows (starting on 26th September with Otters):

26th September - Otters
3rd October - Badgers
10th October - Otters
17th October – Badgers

Internet Safety

As you know, we want children's online world to be as safe as possible and we need your support with this as most of the children's online experiences happen beyond the school gate. Please find attached this month's Online Safety newsletter for all parents.

October	
7th	Open mornings for Prospective Parents. Infants 9.15am / Juniors 10.30am (pre booking required) 1pm Y6 Prefect interviews
8th	Junior School Council visit to Houses of Parliament Y4 to Golden Hinde
9th	Open mornings for Prospective Parents. Infants 9.15am / Juniors 10.30am (pre booking required)
10th	Otters Class - Forest School
17th	Badgers Class - Forest School
20th	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening (Booking details to follow)
21st	3.30pm – 6.30pm Parents Evening (Booking details to follow)
22nd	Harvest Services
23rd	Year 4 and Year 6 visit Cameo Year 2 Fire Safety Workshop 1.30pm Year 4 Harvest performance to Parents
24th	INSET DAY- Both schools closed
27th – 31st	October Half Term
November	
3rd	INSET DAY – Both schools closed
4th	Back to school

Ingrid, who runs our Breakfast Club and After School Club is currently recruiting more staff. If you are looking for work before school or at the end of the school day, please contact Ingrid on 07804895922 or email her ingridesco@hotmail.com for more information.

You are all invited to join Monica and the team for Messy Church this Sunday at Christ Church:

Fun, Faith & Food!

Finally, as the weather looks unsettled again at times next week, please can all the children have a waterproof coat in school as we still go out in the rain at playtimes. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

J. Harling

Mrs J Hastings
Headteacher