



8th May 2026

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OTTERSRAW NEWS!

Dates for your Diary:

May	
11 th	Year 6 SATs Week
15 th	OPTA Crazy Hair MUFTI 8.45am Meeting for parents to explain Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – Junior Hall
18 th	Class Photos Infant and Juniors
21 st	Morning - selected boys Year 4/5 for 6 a-side football. Afternoon-selected girls Year4/5 both at Woking Leisure Centre
20 th	Year 2 parents visit classroom 8.45am-9.15am
22 nd	Sports Day / Family Picnic: Juniors 9.15am/ Infant 1.15pm
Half term 25th -29th May	
June	
1 st	Year 4 Multiplications Week
5 th	Year 1 Phonics screen check week. Reserve Sports Day / Family Picnic
8 th	Selected Year 5/6 children for Quad Kids at Sports Box – TBC timings
12 th	MUFTI for Ottershaw Village Fair 9am OPAL Stay and Play for Year 1-6 parents in the Junior Hall
15 th	Selected Year 3/4 children for Quad Kids at Sports Box –TBC timings
16 th	Year 6 leavers service at Guildford Cathedral (children only)
17 th	Brickies Workshop in school for Year 2 and 3. 8.45am Relationship and Sex education briefing for all parents of both schools held in Junior Hall.
18 th	Nursery Visit to Hobbledown.
22 nd	Selected children for SEN Multi skills at Hoe Bridge –TBC timings Year 3 Visit to Chobham Common
26 th	INSET DAY
29 th	INSET DAY
Return to school on Tuesday 30th June	
30 th	6pm New Reception parents Induction evening. 7pm New Year 3 Parent Induction evening.

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a difference a sunny Bank Holiday makes – this week has flown! Our big surprise this week was the arrival of a mysterious suitcase, delivered to Year 2 on Wednesday and full of exciting costumes and props which might help them to become the best story writers ever.....we’re sure Year 2 have started on a wonderful adventure. We would like to invite all Year 2 parents to share in some of the magic that has happened in our classrooms on Wednesday 20th May from drop off until 9.15am. Do please join us if you can!

Sports Day

As you know, our Sports Day is coming up on 22nd May. We love to welcome you all, but keeping the site safe, knowing which adults are with us and making sure every child has the correct lunch is a logistical challenge! Please do read the detailed letter so you know what your child needs to wear, what you need to do to ensure your child eats the correct lunch and what the arrangements are for all the adults who wish to come along to one or both events.

Before Sports Day itself all the children will use a PE lesson to trial the events so they know what to expect on the day.

All Infant children will need to bring in their PE kit to school on **Monday 18th May** to change in to after the class photos. **On Wednesday 20th May** all Infant children need to come into school wearing their PE kit.

All Junior children will need to wear a PE kit to school on **Tuesday 19th May**. Of course, all children will need to wear their PE kit again on **Friday 22nd May** for the real thing. All we need now is a nice, sunny day!

Junior School Dinners

The system for providing Junior children with a school dinner requires parents to order and pay for meals in advance. On the one hand, children get a choice from the menu and on the other we minimise our food ordering costs and food waste. When meals are correctly ordered and paid for, the system works well. It goes badly wrong when parents haven’t ordered a meal and their child doesn’t have a packed lunch from home instead. We don’t have meals available in these circumstances. Should you forget to provide your child with a meal we will ring you and ask you to bring something as soon as we find out – it is rare that we have ‘spare’ food to provide an alternative hot meal. Please carefully check your SCOPAY account and make a note of the days you have/have not ordered food.

Caterlink Vacancy

Our lovely caterer, Sam, at the Juniors will be leaving us. This means that we have a vacancy for a catering assistant. If you would be interested in applying, please do visit the Caterlink website directly (they are the company who employ all the staff and deliver all the school dinners across both our schools).

https://caterlinkltd.co.uk/smart_recruiters_jobs/ Thank you!

Dates for your Diary:

July

1 st	Transition Day
3 rd	2-4pm Celebration of Work 1.30pm-2.45pm selected children to do Archery at St Dunstons
6 th	Year 6 residential to PGL – all week (return on 10 th July) Year 2 to visit the Junior School for lunch all week.
9 th	Year 4 to Chertsey Meads TBC
14 th	Nursery end of year assembly followed by treats – times TBC
16 th	9am Year 2 leavers assembly – Infant hall. 1.30pm Year 6 leavers production – Junior hall. Last day for Nursery afternoon children
17 th	End of Term Nursery closes at 1.00pm. Junior School closes at 1.05pm. Infant School closes at 1.15pm.

Year 6 Breakfast

Next week our Year 6 children will all be sitting their SAT tests – we know they are ready and we will all be so glad when they are over! To help make sure every exam day starts well, all Year 6 children are invited to join us for toast, hot chocolate, tea or squash from 8.15am every exam day (Monday to Thursday). Sadly, the offer does not extend to younger siblings (but I will be on the gate if Junior siblings want to wait on the front playground and go into class as usual at 8.25am).

Enjoy your weekend (and start planning your Crazy Hair Day creation for next Friday)!

Yours sincerely



Mrs J Hastings

Photos of the Week!

The arrival of the mystery suitcase – Year 2



This week in Forest School, we celebrated Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday by learning about the wonderful creatures that live in our woodland. The children enjoyed exploring nature, decorating party hats, and even making their own mud birthday cakes. What an inspiring man!