



## SCHOOL TIMINGS

We are unfortunately seeing a large number of children entering school through the School Office each morning as they are arriving to school after 8.50am when the playground gates have closed.

The playground gates open at 8.35am and children that arrive then start their learning in the classroom from this time. Children must be in school by 8.50am when the gates close.

**If your child is coming to school after this time and entering school via the Office they are late for school** and the classroom learning has already begun. This over time will impact their learning, is disruptive for your child and the children in the classroom, and your child is marked as late in the register.

Please can we ask for children to arrive at school between 8.35am-8.50am. There is no need for children to come in via the Office.



## MESSAGE FROM HEADTEACHER

Last week, I had the joy of working with members of our new School Council, as they helped me shortlist, interview and appoint our new Head Boy and Head Girl. I am delighted to announce that **Charlie Niven** and **Daisy Hills** will be taking on this esteemed role for the year ahead. I would like to congratulate them, but also all of the other children who applied and entered into the selection process. It was a very tough decision for the Year 5 School Councillors to make and the competition was especially tough this year!

## FREE KOOSA AFTER SCHOOL TASTE SESSION



Koosa, who are our after school wraparound provider are offering all parents a free of charge taster session between Monday 30th September and Friday 11th October. During the session the children can see first-hand what Koosa is like, what games, activities and resources there are on offer, as well as meeting the friendly staff. Call 01276 21884 to book your free taster session today!

Koosa runs until 6pm each day, all children are provided with a healthy snack and Koosa is fully Ofsted registered. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

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### **JOB VACANCY**

We are looking to recruit a full-time Learning Support Assistant to start this term. The role will be Monday-Friday (8.30am-3.30pm). This is a wonderful opportunity to join a highly supportive and friendly staff team, who are dedicated to achieving the very best outcomes for our pupils. For more information, and to apply please visit [eteach.com](https://eteach.com)

### **TT ROCKSTARS**

We are delighted that we have been selected out of a number of schools, to trial a new version of TT Rockstars. The trial date is 7<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November – don't worry the children will not lose their previous hard work and ratings, however it may look slightly different to before.

### **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October we would love to see as many parents, grandparents, carers etc between 9.30am-11.30am in our Dance Studio for a charity cake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Research. The Year 6 children will be helping to serve and we hope it will be a lovely opportunity for parents to get together, whilst enjoying some delicious sweet treats!

The House Captains and PTFA will be running the event, but Mrs Zoe Jones (our new SENCO) and Mrs Katherine Bourne (our Home School Link Worker) will also be around to chat to. We really would love to welcome as many of you along as possible.

If you are able to donate any cakes, biscuits etc please drop these to the School Office on Wednesday morning - this would be much appreciated. Please do email the PTFA if you are able to provide any food items so they have a log of what is being made. The PTFA can be contacted on [ptfashottermilljnr@gmail.com](mailto:ptfashottermilljnr@gmail.com)

### **FAMILY LEARNING ADULT LEARNING COURSES**

Family Learning courses and workshops are free for parents, carers and grandparents to help create a better family life. Do you want to help your child or teenager to improve their behaviour, development and learning? If so, a Family Learning course is for you. All tutors are supportive and knowledgeable, and classes are relaxed, informal and delivered online. Courses include, please click for more information and to book a space:

- [English as an additional language](#)
- [Parenting courses](#)
- [English courses](#)
- [Maths courses](#)
- [Cookery courses](#)

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### **OCTOBER HALF-TERM CRAFT CAMP**

Please find attached a flyer from Craftiful who are a creative studio in Beacon Hill. They run craft clubs during the week but are also running October half-term clubs. These include:

- Needle felting
- Crochet
- Macrame
- Beading
- Pot painting
- Plus lots more!

The camps run from 9am-3pm and they offer an early/late drop off/collection from 8.30am-4.30pm. The camp costs £60 per day and children will learn and make two impressive crafts to take home.

For more information please see the attached flyers or visit [www.craftifulthecreativestudio.com](http://www.craftifulthecreativestudio.com) or <https://craftiful-studio.pembee.app/activity/66b52596810eaeb942c4ebd3>

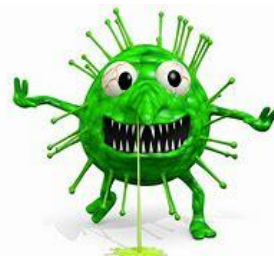
### **NCT NEARLY NEW SALE**

On Sunday 13th October from 10.30am-12pm there will be a NCT Nearly New Sale at Camelsdale Primary School. Selling high quality, preloved baby and children's clothing and shoes (aged 0-12years), maternity wear, nursery equipment, toys, books and more!

### **FLU VACCINATIONS**

The Child and Family Health Surrey Immunisation Team is visiting your school on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October** 2024 to deliver Influenza (flu) vaccinations via nasal spray to all children in Years 3-6. Please complete the e-consent form by 4pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October by visiting: [www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk](http://www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk) and entering your school's unique code

**SR124979**. If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, then please fill in the 'No' box.



### **YOUR CHILD IN YEAR 6?**

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for a secondary school place. This must be done before 31 October 2024. Please visit [Secondary applications - Surrey County Council \(surreycc.gov.uk\)](http://Secondary applications - Surrey County Council (surreycc.gov.uk)) for more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools. If you pay your Council Tax outside Surrey, please contact your Local Authority directly for details about the application process. If you require any help, please contact the School Office who will be happy to assist.

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## KEY DATES FOR 2024-2025

October	
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	Individual and sibling school photographs
15 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> and 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Open days for prospective parents
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Macmillan Coffee Morning: 9.30am-11.30am
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parent Consultation appointments: from 1pm
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Harvest Service at St Stephen's Church
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu vaccinations - optional
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Break the Rules Day
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	HALF-TERM
November	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	HHH Concert with 6W attending
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	HHH Concert with 6H attending
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	PTFA Disco: 6pm-7.30pm
Date tbc	Parent Forum: 1.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> and 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Open days for prospective parents
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Mufti Day – hamper items
December	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Mufti Day – tombola items
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair: 5pm-7pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term: 1.30pm finish
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Inset Day

*Penalty Notices - Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your child out of school without authority, you will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive four penalty notices. Our full Attendance Policy is available to view on our website.*

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