



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Last week marked the wonderful success of our pupils competing in the KS2 Haslemere Confederation Swimming Gala! Our team of 42 performed exceptionally well, demonstrating not only impressive skill and determination in the pool, but also outstanding teamwork and resilience throughout the event. I am incredibly proud to report that the children achieved a well-deserved **first place** overall, building on our win from last year! Equally impressive was the way in which our pupils conducted themselves - their behaviour was impeccable at all times, showing respect for officials, encouragement for their teammates and kindness towards other competitors. They were true ambassadors for our school.

We are now pressing on with the all-important rehearsals for the Summer Production of 'Musical Memories', as well as preparation for other sporting events coming up. Please ensure you check your emails regularly to ensure you stay up to date with these events. Our School Office can get extremely busy at this time of the year, so we kindly request that you read the information provided before emailing the school with any questions.

Finally, we would like to draw your attention to the Surrey Term dates for the next academic year (listed below), in particular that in line with all Surrey schools we will be having a two week October half-term. This means five days will be taken from the summer holiday in July 2027.

Autumn term 2026

Start of term	Half term	End of term
1 September 2026	19 October to 30 October 2026	18 December 2026

Spring term 2027

Start of term	Half term	End of term
4 January 2027	15 February to 19 February 2027	25 March 2027

Summer term 2027

Start of term	Half term	End of term
12 April 2027	31 May to 4 June 2027	28 July 2027

Why this is changing

In 2024, Surrey County Council asked schools and families for feedback.

60% of schools and most residents supported a two-week autumn break.

This change matches what some other councils already do.

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CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONERS' BIG FUTURE SURVEY

Good morning,

As Children's Commissioner, I'm writing to ask for your support in helping children at your school or college take part in my national survey, The Big Future.

Your students can take part here: <http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

As schools and colleges return for the final weeks of the academic year, this is a valuable opportunity for children and young people to reflect on their experiences, share what matters most to them, and tell us about their hopes and ambitions for the future in their own words.

I would be hugely grateful if you could share the survey directly with pupils through your school or college email systems, as well as with parents and carers across your wider school community. Direct student participation is essential to ensuring that young people's voices are heard and represented.

I want to hear from children and young people aged 0–18 from every background, in every part of the country. The survey asks about the things they enjoy, the challenges they face, the changes they would like to see in their communities, and what they believe a good childhood should look like today.

Participation in The Big Future also provides schools with an opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to civic engagement. The findings will help inform national conversations and decision-making about children's lives and futures at the highest levels.

Dame Rachel de Souza

Children's Commissioner for England

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KOOSA HOLIDAY CAMP

KOOSA Kids are excited to be operating a Summer Holiday Club at Shottermill Junior School from Wednesday 23rd July to Wednesday 26th August. Bookings are now open.

The action-packed activity programme is designed for children aged 4-13, featuring a mix of games, art and crafts, go-karts, science and challenges. With 6 exciting weekly themes, the Wicked Wednesday Special Activity Days include Treasure Island, Fun at the Fair, Art Attack, KOOSA Olympics and as many Wet 'n' Wild afternoons as the weather allows, the summer will be jam-packed full of fun!

Prices start from just £31.50 per child (Standard day 10am to 4pm; however longer days are available) with an 8% discount on a full week booking) and a third child goes FREE (siblings only)! Visit www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club or call 01276 21884 for more information and to book.

HASLEMERE MUSEUM PARTY

This year, Haslemere Educational Museum is celebrating the centenary of its move to its current premises on Haslemere High Street and the Museum has launched an appeal to raise funds for vital maintenance of its grade II listed building. On Saturday 27TH June, the Museum will be holding a 1920s-themed Summer Fair to help raise funds for the centenary appeal. The Museum's gardens will be filled with traditional games and stalls, as well as vintage cars. The town band will be playing and refreshments will include cream teas and Pimms. Families are invited to come along between 11am and 4pm. 1920s attire is welcome and there'll be a prize for the best dressed.



WELL DONE

Perth, Efi, Yasmin and Rosie (Year 5) recently participated in the London Finals of The British Arts Awards. This is an annual, national competition for dance, singing, and drama students. Preliminary rounds are judged locally, with successful performers moving on to semi-finals in Havant and eventually the London Finals. The girls have worked really hard over the course of the year, and this year they received some fantastic results.

Yasmin, Perth and Efi took part in the large group dance 'Way Out West' which received 1st place. Rosie and Perth took part in the large group dance 'Alice And The Card Garden' which received 1st place.

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Efi received 2nd for Drama, 2nd for Song and Dance and 1st place for Song, she also received 1st place for best all-rounder in her category. Rosie received 1st for Drama, and Perth received 3rd for Drama!

Well done girls this is a wonderful achievement – we are so proud of you!

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RED SHOES SUMMER CLUBS

Please see below for details of three summer clubs Red Shoes are running at Camelsdale Village Hall this Summer! Each workshop runs from 10am-3pm and is set to be great fun!

Red Shoes School of Dance

SUMMER SCHOOL POP PARTY

24TH AND 25TH AUGUST

Camelsdale Church Hall, 11 School Road,
Haslemere, GU27 3RN

10AM-3PM AGES 6+

£35 FOR 1 DAY OF £85 FOR 3 DAYS

COME AND DANCE AT RED SHOES SUMMER SCHOOL! LEARN NEW STYLES OF DANCE WHILE HAVING LOTS OF FUN WITH YOUR FRIENDS!

ZOOTROPOLIS WORKSHOP



Camelsdale Village Hall, 11 School Road, Haslemere, GU27 3RN

10am - 3:00pm

£85 for all 3 days
or £35 per day
Ages 6+



Come and dance at Red Shoes Summer School! Learn new styles of dance while having lots of fun with your friends.

**10TH AND 11TH
AUGUST**

Email us at :
info@redshoesschoolofdance.co.uk

SUMMER PARTY Dance Workshop

10am till 3 pm
Camelsdale Church Hall, 11 School Road,
Haslemere, GU27 3RN

**12TH AND 26TH
AUGUST**

Learn new styles of dance while
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ATTENDANCE

In each newsletter we will be congratulating the three classes with the highest attendance figures. Although we do appreciate all children from time to time do get poorly and this cannot be helped, we feel it is important to celebrate the classes who have the highest attendance.

4ZH – 97.2%

3N - 97.1%

4m – 97%

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DIARY DATES FOR 2025 - 2026

June	
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th June	Year 6 Bikeability for 6W
Friday 19 th June	6H Treat Sale: 3.10pm
Monday 22 nd – Wednesday 24 th June	Year 4 to Sayers Croft
Monday 29 th June	Confederation Sports
Tuesday 30 th June	Move Up Day
July	
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th July	Year 6 Bikeability for 6H
Wednesday 8 th July	School Production: 1.20pm and 7pm
Thursday 9 th July	School Production: 7pm
Thursday 9 th July	District Sports
Tuesday 14 th July	Sports Day
Thursday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers Disco: 6pm
Monday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers Assembly: 1.45pm
Tuesday 21 st July	Mufti Day and End of Summer Term
Wednesday 22 nd July	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 is £80.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £160.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you 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. Please note if you have received a penalty notice fine since 19th August 2024 the second penalty notice will be a flat fee of £160.00 – there is no reduction in fee regardless of how quickly payment is received. If you incur two penalty notices within three years you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996. Our full Attendance Policy is available to view on our website.

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