



1st May 2026

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OTTERS HAW NEWS!

Dates for your Diary:

May	
8 th	1.15pm-2.45pm Year 3/4- selected children - Try Golf at St Dunstons
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
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,

This week the children have really enjoyed being outside, despite the cold wind! The end of the week has been glorious and lifted all our spirits. As we move into the summer months, do please make sure your child has their water bottle, a sun hat and you have applied sunscreen every morning before they come to school as we really want to enjoy the fine weather safely.

Our Reception and Nursery Team have had a wonderful validation of their amazing work as our Trust visited to moderate the work they do. We were all beaming and exceptionally pleased with the lovely (and well-deserved) feedback we received. Well done gang!

A few of us were very lucky to go on a special trip to Windsor Castle this week to watch the changing of the guard. We were allowed special access to the guards as they warmed up and practised their marching tunes before watching the parade itself. I have to say a massive thank you to the guards (especially the bandmaster who let us in and gave us so much special attention and time) as they all let the children try on their helmets, play their instruments and even hold a ceremonial sword (tightly supervised, of course). It was a very big WOW moment for us all!

OPAL update

Many thanks to Mr Tom and Mr Lock for adding decking to our gazebo to hopefully eliminate the flooding problem. The children are enjoying using it again. We would still like to receive donations for our OPAL play please, especially dressing up clothes, water play resources (including watering cans, drainpipes and plastic jugs), tarpaulins, play tents and scooters.



Finally, our latest Online Safety Newsletter is attached and this month's theme is managing online conversations – so very essential and vital as this is the area which causes our children the most upset and our concern, especially at the moment. Please do read and get your family plan of how you are going to monitor and manage these as things unravel very quickly and can be very upsetting when it goes wrong.

I do hope you all have lovely plans for the Bank Holiday and we don't get too soggy as we enjoy the long weekend. Have fun!

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Hastings

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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.

Photos of the Week!

Windsor changing of the guard

