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Dear Parents and Carers

This morning was 6G's class assembly

Please take a look at the photographs and reports from our incredible sporting achievements from last week. We couldn't be prouder of our Year 5/6 Girls' Football team's successes in a tournament (they came third!) and our winning Year 5/6 athletics team in the District Sports Hall Competition at Guildford Spectrum. A huge thank you goes to our wonderful members of staff who have given the children these wonderful opportunities and experiences, making memories for life: Mrs Darne, Mrs Living, Miss Paice and Miss Armiger.

Thank you to our PTA

The children of KS1 now have a new Trim Trail to play on and fabulous new flooring around the pirate ship and climbing frame, so they can use it all year round, all thanks to our wonderful PTA. Please see the photographs in the body of the newsletter. We are so grateful to everyone involved in raising of the funds for this equipment, something we could not have afforded to do without the PTA—thank you!

Rethink Waste Project—get involved!

The Rethink Waste project is a passionate one from the Surrey Environment Partnership and Greenredeem. They are determined to make Surrey a greener place to enjoy and want to help Surrey Schools by funding their eco-projects. Please see the body of the newsletter for how you can get involved and support the school. Thank you to Miss Freeland for her dedication and passion to all things environmental and for all the opportunities and experiences she gives the children at school.

Play and Leisure activities for children with additional needs

Surrey County Council has awarded £500,000 of grant funding to enable a range of new, inclusive, community-based activities for children with additional needs and disabilities across the county. This funding has gone to a mix of different organisations, such as sports clubs, leisure centres, charities and activity providers, to support them to provide inclusive opportunities that better meet the needs of a wider range of children. These new pilot projects will be delivering after school, at weekends and during the holidays through to the end of March 2025. In particular, this means that there will be a number of extra activities running during the February half-term holidays. Further information can be found [here](#).

Tissues

We would be most grateful if each family could bring in a box of tissues! We are using so many and they are quite expensive to keep buying, so if you are able, please can you add a box to your weekly shopping? Many thanks!

Non-uniform Day

Remember it's a non-uniform day on Friday 14th February, organised by the PTA. Children can 'Wear What They Love' and make a voluntary contribution of £1—buckets will be on the gates in the morning.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

With kind regards

Mrs J E Harrup
Headteacher



Star of the Week

Oak	Reggie
Ash	Eva
1B	Dakota
1M	Yana
2M	Talia
2T	Elize
3B	Caitlin
3M	Eddie
4D	Natalia
4J	Lola
5M	Ayush
5T	Pippa
6G	Rita
6L	Oliver



Effort Award

Matteo
Magi
Daniel
Sophie
Bertie
Joiah
Molly
Emily J
Alexis
Elsie
Henry
Ted
Evangeline
Scarlett



Values Award

Ruben
Ameer
Alexander
Clemmie
Ben
Lottie
Sapphire
Chloe G
Violet
Flo
Harry
Liam
Kasper
Dylan

Congratulations to our Super Speller this week:

Abram (4D) & Matthew (3M)



Congratulations to the recipients of a WOW certificate this week:

Grace O (5M)



Congratulations to our Lionesses this week



Congratulations to the Lionesses this week:

Harriet (5M) , Catrin (3M) and Ellen (2M)

PLAYER OF THE MATCH

Year 5 and 6 District Sportshall Competition—Champions!

If one could bottle excitement, enthusiasm and determination, then our Athletes would win hands down!



Our Year 5 and 6 participated in the annual District Sportshall competition at Guildford Spectrum this week. What an incredible display of their months of sacrifice, athletic prowess and team spirit. A group of determined children, who performed with such enthusiasm and heartfelt love for their chosen sport, that it left their coaches emotional and swelling with pride. Their 1st position as Woking District Champions was well deserved, and a testament to their indomitable strength of spirit.

Next, will be County Finals on the 1st of April 2025.

Onwards and upwards Barnsbury!

Mrs Darné and Mrs Living

WASPS Girls' Football Tournament Review—3rd Place!

On Friday 24th January, our Year 5/6 girls' football team took part in a WASPS football tournament. Lucy and Amelia were our goalkeepers, Leela and Tabitha were upfront, Emma B, Emma D and Chloe defending with Adele and Bella switching between games.

There were five other schools in the tournament: Goldsworth, Beaufort, New Haw, St Dunstan's and St John's.

Our first game was against Goldsworth Primary School, with Goldsworth finally sneaking in a rebound ball off someone's shoulder in the last minute, making it a 0-1 loss. Such a great game as the girls were just warming up.

The next game was against New Haw. We've played this team a few times, so knew it would be a good game with both teams equally matched. The Barnsbury girls followed instructions, pushing forward and getting a goal from Adele to secure a 1-0 win!

Match 3 was against St Dunstan's, never an easy obstacle, but we went in with the tactic of defending rather than concentrating on scoring. Our team had so many opportunities to score - it was very nerve-wracking and an incredible game, finishing in a 0-0 draw.

St John's followed a little break. The passing between our 3 'upfronts' was unbelievable, as they were looking for each other and trying to sneak balls across in front of the goal. The game ended in another 0-0 draw.

Last up was Beaufort. It's always hard playing our fellow SWAN Schools, but we went into the match determined to come away with another good result. It was such a nail-biting game, with so many opportunities from both teams to score goals. I couldn't look towards the end as it was just too stressful to watch, but our girls held on to another 0-0 draw.



It was then an anxious wait to see where we had finished in the tournament. Even as the results were being announced, I had to keep looking at Miss Armiger as I wasn't sure I was hearing it correctly as the positions were announced.

We did it!!! 3rd out of the 6 schools who took part. I could not be prouder of the girls; they have been listening to advice and thinking about their positioning on the field and we were finally rewarded for their efforts and given that bronze medal!!

A huge thank you to Miss Armiger for getting us there and back as well as being my wingman/lady throughout the last two tournaments as it gets rather stressful, so it's nice when another adult can join me.

Leela, Tabby, Amelia, Lucy, Emma. B, Emma. D, Bella, Adele, and Chloe a HUGE well done!!! You did Barnsbury proud!!

Miss Paice



Woking Leisure Centre Multisport Event



On the 17th January 2025, a selection of children had the most wonderful afternoon at the Woking Leisure Centre. All engaged in a variety of sporting events, which were aimed at honing their skills, and in addition encouraging them to head back to school and share them with their class. We are so proud of this team of athletes, and the manner in which they showed their enthusiasm, determination and excellent display of Barnsbury Values. Well done to Jett, Molly, Harley, Matthew, Mundra and Revaan.
Mrs Darné



New KS1 Trim Trail and Play Equipment Complete



The new trim trail and play equipment in the KS1 area has been completed and is now up and running, ready for the children to use and explore!

This has been entirely funded by the PTA.

We have also funded the creation of the KS2 calm room, resources for the music room and new cookery kitchen equipment, as well as this amazing play area for the children.

We are still working on the new intervention room in KS2 and are looking forward to this school term's PTA fundraising events, to help fund more projects at the school.

Barnsbury Primary School PTA



We would like to say a BIG thank you to the PTA for all of their time, dedication and hard work fundraising to create this fantastic play equipment for the children!

The Rethink Waste Project is back!

The Rethink Waste project is a passionate one from the Surrey Environment Partnership and Greenredeem. We're determined to make Surrey a greener place to enjoy and we believe that Surrey schools deserve the best which is why we want to help fund their eco-projects.

The February round is now live.

If you are new to Rethink Waste - <https://rethinkwaste.co.uk/register?referrer=2630740>

If you already have a login - [Login](#)

Our school is now eligible to receive donations from any member of the Rethink Waste platform. Registration is free and you can start collecting points now.



Taking part involves short videos, activities and quizzes all about small changes we can make to help the planet. Whilst learning top tips, you can also collect points to donate to Barnsbury Primary School. Last year, we came third which resulted in funding for our Eco projects! Can you help us beat our record?

Miss Freeland

Reception Teacher, Early Years Lead

Eco and Outdoor Learning Lead

Dates for your diary 2024-25

Spring Term

January

Friday 31st PTA pre-loved uniform sale

February

Friday 7th 6G Class Assembly

Friday 14th 4J Class Assembly

Friday 14th PTA Non Uniform Day—Love What You Wear

17th-21st Half Term

Monday 24th INSET Day

Weds 26th Year 5 School Trip

March

3rd—6th Book Fayre

Tuesday 4th Parents Evening 3:30pm—5:30pm

Thursday 6th Parents Evening 3:30pm—7pm

Friday 7th 9.00am Rock Steady Concert (Friday bands)

Weds 12th Local Governing Committee Meeting

Friday 14th 5T Class Assembly

Tuesday 18th 9.00am Rock Steady Concert (Tuesday bands)

Friday 21st 1M Class Assembly

Thursday 20th Year 2 School Trip

Tuesday 25th Year 4 School Trip

Thursday 27th 9.00am Rock Steady Concert (Thursday bands)

Friday 28th 1B Class Assembly

April

2nd-4th Year 6 Residential

Friday 4th 1:15pm End of Spring Term

Dates for your diary 2024-25

Summer Term

April

Tuesday 22nd	Start of Summer Term
Thu 24th & Fri 25th	PTA Silent Discos (times TBC)
Weds 30th	Local Governing Committee Meeting (8am to 10am)

May

Friday 2nd	3B Class Assembly (9.00am)
Friday 16th	2M Class Assembly (9.00am)
Friday 23rd	2T Class Assembly (9.00am)
Friday 23rd	End of half term
26th May-6th June	Two week half term

June

Weds 11th	Reception School Trip
Weds 18th	Class photos
Weds 25th	Local Governing Committee Meeting (8am to 10am)
Thursday 26th	Sports Day
Friday 27th	Oak Class Assembly (9.00am)

July

Friday 4th	Ash Class Assembly (9.00am)
Tuesday 22nd	End of Term (1:15pm finish)



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Changing lives.



Surrey Paediatrics Parenting Service



The Paediatrics Parenting Support Service is offering support to parent/carers and their families living in Surrey who are exploring the possibilities that their young person, 5 years old and younger may be neurodivergent.

Our practitioners provide a 6-week group intervention, either online or face-to-face in the community.

You can find out more information and how to refer into the service at www.Barnardos.org.uk or by scanning the below QR code:



HOLIDAY FUN CLUB

AT WOKING UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

Tuesday 15th–Thursday 17th April
9:15am–12:30pm

Explore the story of Easter through games, craft, cooking and music.

For children in school years reception–yr5

£5 per day or £12 for all three days

Siblings £4 per day or £10 for all three days



For more information and to book scan the QR code or visit WOKINGURC.ORG.UK

SPRING INTO EASTER



Woking United Reformed Church
White Rose Lane, Woking, GU22 7HA

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SCAMS AND FAKE NEWS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

"Fake news" refers to falsified or misleading material presented as a legitimate account of events. It's often used by malicious actors online to push an agenda, or even by criminals as a way of making scams more persuasive. Scammers can trick us into handing over personal information, security details and even our hard-earned cash.

"CLICKBAIT" PHISHING SCAMS

A message arrives saying "Have you seen this video of yourself?" or you might be sent an attention-grabbing headline about a celebrity that's been shared on social media. This kind of "bait" is produced by scammers to drive us to click on an unsafe link, where malware could be downloaded to our devices. These scams rely on our curiosity and our "need-to-know" instinct.

SALES, DEALS & DISCOUNTS

Some scams appear as adverts, offering a chance to buy something – such as designer products, expensive gadgets or tickets to a popular show – at a reduced price. Such plays often include a time limit or countdown, urging us to hurry so we don't miss out on the deal. This pressure encourages us to input personal details or payment information before pausing to check if it's legitimate.

YOU'RE A WINNER!

This kind of scam involves fake giveaways, opportunities or freebies. It could be a message saying we've won a prize draw or competition. Or it could be a gift, free trial, bonus credit, and suchlike. It might claim that a package or refund is waiting. All these techniques are used to prompt us to share our personal information, thinking that there's something to be gained by doing so.

FALSE FRIENDSHIPS

Scammers often pretend to be someone they're not to gain their victims' trust. They might attempt to convince any children they connect with that they're a child of similar age with shared interests. Warning signs include a high volume of messages (often with an intense tone), secrecy, inappropriate levels of intimacy, guilt tripping, emotional manipulation, threats or blackmail.

PANIC MODE

To trigger a sense of panic, scammers may claim that a child's account has been hacked, or a virus has been installed on their device, or any number of other scary scenarios. They may claim to be able to fix the problem or offer a solution – if the child hands over control of the device or sensitive information. Similar scams involve impersonating a friend or relative, claiming that they're in trouble and need help.

FAKE CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENTS

Impersonating influential people online is a common tactic for scammers, who can use technology to create fake photos, audio and even videos that look authentic. These can be used to convince us, for example, to buy products, sign up for so-called "business opportunities" or invest in cryptocurrency schemes – all of which are fake or otherwise malicious. Many scams also involve the impersonation of popular companies' social media accounts, as well as those of individuals.

Advice for Parents & Educators

STAY INFORMED

Stay up to date with the latest information and best practice on cyber-security. See what scam stories are reported in the news and make note of what tactics were used. Keep up with young people's digital lives: talk about what they're doing online and use properly endorsed resources to learn what risks certain sites and apps pose to their younger users.

ENCOURAGE HEALTHY SCEPTICISM

Most scams rely on emotional or psychological manipulation, tapping into our human instincts – whether that's to keep ourselves safe, help others, find answers, make friends, avoid losing out or to secure something we really want. Encourage children to recognise that pressure to act and to always consult with an adult – especially if what's on offer sounds too good to be true.

TALK TOGETHER

Chat often and openly with young people about fake news, online scams and how they both work. Encourage them to talk to you about anything they're unsure of or worried about online. If a child claims to have been scammed, don't pass judgement. Blaming the victim may deter young people from asking you for help. Remember: adults are scammed just as often, if not more.

BE PROACTIVE

Children increasingly use digital devices for education, socialising, shopping and play. Don't wait for a problem to arise before you discuss the risk of scams, false information and fake news. Highlight what to look out for and clearly communicate under what circumstances the child ought to speak to an adult. Finally, ensure that they're aware of the support services that are available to them (such as Childline).

Meet Our Expert

Dr Holly Powell-Jones is the founder of Online Media Law UK and a leading expert in digital safety, media law and young people. Her PhD investigates children's understandings of risk online. She works with schools, businesses, and universities to provide award-winning education on the criminal, legal and ethical considerations for the digital age. Visit OnlineMediaLaw.co.uk for more.



Source: See full reference list on guide page at <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/fake-news-and-scams>

CHILDREN, SMARTPHONES AND APPS

Join us on ...

TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY
7:30PM-9:00PM

 GREENFIELD SCHOOL, OLD WOKING ROAD, GU22 8HY



Whether your child has a smartphone or not- please join us to find out some tips for managing smartphones in your family.

Learn more about the impact of smartphones and social media have on children and what we can do to delay or limit their exposure.

Talk from
Jennifer Powers
of PAPA YA

Sign up






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& KS2 GATES



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