



17th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope your family had a good break over the Easter period. As we begin summer term, please can I remind you to check you have this term's dates in your diary where they are relevant to your child. These were sent at the end of last term. As always, we will post reminders each week below.

## National Offer Day - News for all parents and carers

Families in Surrey will know the primary school allocated to their child this week. We will shortly be writing to parents and carers of our new intake, welcoming them to our school community. You may know that the birth rate has fallen nationally and, in many areas of the country, schools are faced with falling numbers. The Horley area - mainly due to house building locally - has largely been unaffected by this trend. However, there is a slight dip in Yattendon Year 3 pupil numbers for September 2026, which means we are in the unusual position of not having a waiting list and currently expecting a small number of vacancies. If you therefore know of anyone who is moving to the area and needs a Year 3 place, please let them know. We pride ourselves on our strong reputation and the number of parents who approach us for a place because they have heard about the high quality of education that Yattendon provides.

## Road Safety Incident This Week

In case you missed our message on Studybugs yesterday, we were informed by a parent that several Yattendon children were running across Brighton Road outside Tesco after school yesterday afternoon. **Two cars swerved to avoid hitting children, which shows how dangerous this behaviour was.** Please speak to your children about the importance of respecting roads. We have spoken to them all in assembly today about this. If your child witnessed this incident, please pass on details to us, as having the names of children involved will help us communicate directly with the parents and carers concerned.

**Please note that we currently allow Year 5 and Year 6 children to walk home unaccompanied. However, we will ask that parents and carers collect their child from school if we have serious concerns about their ability to stay safe.** I am sure you understand our reasons.

## Congratulations Hazel House!

Congratulations to Hazel House for winning the House Cup for Spring Term. They will be able to wear mufti on Friday 1st May as a reward. A reminder will be sent nearer the time.

## Africa Day - 30th May

Being held on Horley Recreation Ground between 1pm and 7pm, this will be a vibrant celebration of African culture. Please see more details relating to this event and a STEM event in Crawley on page 2.

## Reigate and Banstead Junior Games - Free Opportunities.

Reigate and Banstead have organised for junior-aged children to take part in a range of sports across the Reigate and Banstead area from 20th April for ten weeks. To register for these FREE sessions, please [CLICK HERE](#) or visit <https://bookwhen.com/r-bgames>.

Places are limited, so make sure to get booked on quickly!



### Dates coming up...

**Thursday 23rd April** - Mixed Y5/6 netball tournament

**Friday 24th April** - Y3 swimming starts

**Tuesday 28th April** - Y4 diversity visit

**Monday 4th May** - School closed - bank holiday

**Tuesday 5th May** - Y4 Viking Day (letter to follow)

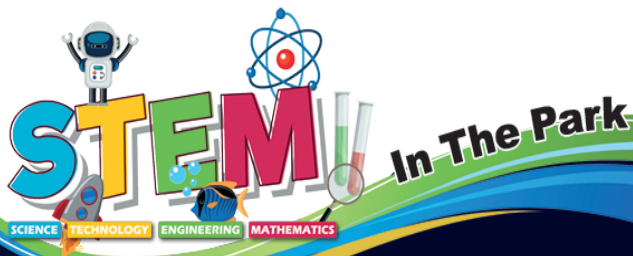
**\*\*\*HALF TERM BREAK - Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May\*\*\***

### This week's winning house

Rowan: 474	Hazel: 634
Birch: 453	Whitebeam: 547



**SAFEGUARDING:** Yattendon School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects everyone to share this commitment. If you have any concerns about the welfare of any child, please contact one of the designated members of staff. [CLICK HERE FOR MORE](#)



**Saturday 16 May 2026**

11am-4pm | Memorial Gardens, Crawley

**FREE Family STEM Fun  
Just Drop In!**

Take part in activities led by local businesses and STEM experts. Explore exciting STEM futures together.

Hands-on STEM activities for all ages

Test your skills - fly a drone and try interactive challenges

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Meet local businesses from a diverse range of industries

Discover apprenticeships, degree placements, post-grad roles, and future STEM pathways

Unlock your future at Crawley College: STEM careers advice and the new Institute of Technology



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**SOUTH EAST SURREY DYSLEXIA ASSOCIATION**  
Affiliated to the British Dyslexia Association    SESDA Reg. Charity no.281076

**Support Evening for Parents and Carers**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
8pm to 10pm**

A chance for parents and carers to meet Committee members, who are themselves parents of dyslexic youngsters, and specialist dyslexia tutors, to talk about any concerns they have about dyslexia at home or in school.

Session will include a talk about

**'Encouraging Reluctant Readers and the Importance of Developing Vocabulary'**

There will be resources and information for parents about the best way to help at home and how to keep in touch with teachers and SENDCos. Some ideas about how best to support teenagers sitting GCSEs and other exams.

This meeting is free and informal and open to all parents and carers who have an interest in dyslexia.

It would be helpful to know numbers beforehand but not essential.

**Canada Hall, All Saints Church,  
Battlebridge Lane, Merstham. RH1 3HA**

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**DEADLINE** Sunday 19th  
April latest!

Send to  
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name, age and school

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Community in  
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**AFRICA  
DAY 2026**

A CELEBRATION OF UNITY,  
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**30th  
MAY  
2026**

**Venue:**  
**HORLEY RECREATION GROUND**  
Vicarage Ln, Horley RH6 8AR  
**Time: 1pm-7pm**

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