Friday 6th November 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you enjoyed the half term holiday. I would like start by thanking all the parents and carers who access our wraparound provision. The school has taken over this provision temporarily (following the sudden demise of OSCAHS) and some patience has been required while we create a booking system and navigate the world of tax-free childcare.

I am pleased to say that we have secured a new company, Active Stars, to provide wraparound from January. Active Stars already operates in another Greensand school and have come highly recommended. The process of registration with Ofsted is, however, a lengthy one. In the meantime, we will make sure there are no gaps in service, as we know how much parents and carers rely on this provision.

New Date – Christmas Concert

If your child learns an instrument with Josie or Thomas, or they are part of the school's Pop Choir, they are likely to be asked to perform in our annual Christmas concert on **Monday 7th December at 5pm**. Please put the date in the diary if this applies to your child!

Children in Need – Friday 13th November

A letter went out about this day, but just to remind you that children are invited to wear something yellow/spotty/Pudsey-themed (or their own clothes) for a donation of £1. They may also wear other Children in Need merchandise if they wish.

Dates for 2027-28 Academic Year

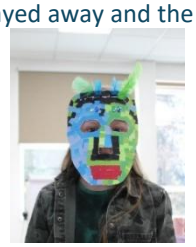
These should be with you by the end of next week. We are co-ordinating INSET days with Horley Infant School.

Monster Bash Disco

A huge thank you to the parent and staff volunteers who helped organise and run the disco last night. Halloween costumes were re-used to wonderful effect and the children had a fabulous (if ghoulish) time!

Mayan Day in Year 5

On Tuesday, the Year 5 pupils took part in a Mayan Day as part of their history curriculum. They explored the importance of masks in Mayan ceremonies and battles before applying their knowledge to design and create their own masks. They also learnt about the intricately designed coins used by the Mayans and produced their own versions. During the afternoon, the children and took part in a rain dance. Despite their best efforts, the rain dance did not quite have the desired effect, as the rain stayed away and the skies remained dry!









House Point Totaliser

Well done to Whitebeam this week:

Birch 558
Hazel 548
Rowan 525
Whitebeam House 638



Dates coming up:

Friday 13th November – Children in Need (see above)
Friday 20th November – MUFTI – bottle donations for the Christmas Fair
Friday 27th November – Cake donations (Lower Sch) Chocolate (Upper Sch) **NO MUFTI**
Saturday 28th November – 11am to 2pm – Christmas Fair
NEW Monday 7th December – Christmas Concert (see above)
Wednesday 9th December (pm) & Thursday 10th December (am) – Lower Sch festive performance

More December date reminders next week



Week 2 lunch menu for WB 9th Nov

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Dissecting Science

This week, our year 6 children spent Thursday morning dissecting a lamb's heart. This hands-on lesson supported their science learning about the heart and circulatory system.

Despite initial reservations, they enjoyed getting stuck into exploring the different chambers and the blood vessels. A huge thank you to Chris White Butchers in Horley who kindly supplied the hearts for us to investigate. Having access to a resource such of this really helps to enhance the children's knowledge and understanding. It will certainly be a lesson they will not forget.







