



# THE WEALD NEWSLETTER

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Summer Issue 5

Headteacher: James Baguley



## Dear Parents and Carers,

We have finally made it to the end of term. Let's hope the weather cools a little for the Summer holidays. It has been a busy couple of weeks at The Weald in the lead up to the end of the academic year.

Our Year 5 children recently visited The Priory School for the morning. They participated in a number of activities including woodwork and dance. Thank you to the team at Priory.

Year 5 also visited the Capel Military Show. It is always a fun-filled and action-packed day. They had a great time! The highlight of the past couple of weeks was the annual Dorking Athletics competition at Pixham Sports Ground. Our girls track team finished in first place and took home the trophy for 2024/2025. I am very proud of all of them. Not only did they finish in first place but The Weald also won the small schools athletic trophy. Given the fact that most of the other schools competing are much bigger than The Weald and therefore have a larger pool of pupils to choose from, the children were superb. It brought a tear to my eye when I heard the great news. A big well done to all of them.

We recently had our annual 'Art Week' organised by Mrs Clarke. The theme was a celebration of identity and creativity entitled 'Doodle Me Different'. Thank you to all the parents who attended. I hope you enjoyed it. A big thank you to Mrs Clarke for putting the exhibition together. I would also like to thank Mrs Young who on a regular basis throughout the year leads the 'Young Carers' group. It has been a wonderful experience for the children and has provided them with an opportunity to share ideas in a safe and secure environment. Thank you Mrs Young.

And finally I would like to say 'thank you' to all my staff who have continued to go the 'extra mile' to support your child this year. They definitely deserve to put their feet up for a few weeks. We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Jaspert who is leaving us this week. I will certainly be welcoming her back to The Weald when another part-time job becomes available. Good luck, Millie!

I would like to wish our parents and children a safe and relaxing Summer break whatever you may be doing. We also wish our Year 6 children all the very best as they embark on a new chapter at secondary school in September.

We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 8th September.

Best wishes,  
Mr Baguley



## Safeguarding: Change of Collection Arrangements

Please could we remind you to call/email the office if your child is being collected by anyone other than the parent/carer otherwise the child will not be released. Also please inform the office if your child is not on the bus and who is collecting them. This is a safeguarding issue and we need your permission before we can hand over your child to another person. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Parking** Please be reminded that only people with a blue disabled badge can park on the school grounds at pick up and collection times. We are very limited on space in the front car park and this can be dangerous if too many cars are manoeuvering. If you do not have this badge, please park on the Newdigate Road or in Beare Green Village.

## Attendance

**Well done to 3/4 St Peter** for having the best attendance this week. You are the winners of the attendance cup which is given out every Friday in the achievement assembly.

**Please can we also remind parents to call the office before 9:00am on each day their child is absent from school.**

## ATTENDANCE

### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

Children are required by law to attend 190 school days per year. The Government states that every pupil's attendance should be at least 95%.

89% and below  
Drastic effect on academic achievement

95% - 90%  
Cause for concern

100% - 96%  
Excellent

**HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?**

Attendance	Days Absent	Weeks Absent	Lessons Missed
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	18 Days	4 Weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 Days	11.5 Weeks	290 lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 lessons

## Young Carers



Our Young Carers Club, 'Carer Kids', had their half termly session this morning! They had a fun and relaxing session and played a round of bingo with 'getting to know you' questions. The children spent some time thinking about their amazing qualities and enjoyed some tasty biscuits together.

The club is a safe and supportive space where young carers can take a break, share their experiences if they want to, and just enjoy being themselves. We're so proud of the kindness, resilience, and strength our young carers show every day.

We're looking forward to more fun activities and time together in the next session next term!



automatically borrow a lifejacket when planning a trip or day out that involves water. Please come and borrow a lifejacket from us if you are planning an activity on or near the water.

<https://www.lucasdobsonwatersafety.com/>

## Lucas Dobson Water Safety

**As a result of funds raised – more than £10,000 – 900 lifejackets bearing Lucas' image and campaign logo are on their way to schools across Kent for children and families to borrow whenever they are near water.**

[www.lucasdobsonwatersafety.com](https://www.lucasdobsonwatersafety.com/)

## Year 5 Priory Visit



Last week, Year 5 had a brilliant morning at The Priory, experiencing what it is like to be in a secondary school environment. Thank you to all the teachers and SLT for helping us to have such an enjoyable and successful morning.



## Water Safety Campaign

In school, as part of the Lucas Dobson Water Safety Campaign, we have 8 lifejackets available to loan out to our families. We'd like to see children and families

## Year 5 Capel Military Show



We walked to Capel Military Show with the children of Scott Broadwood. We enjoyed being paired with the children,

chatting to them on our walk. Firstly, we went to see tanks and we saw a tank that was

built to shoot down planes/bombers. After that, we saw the Russian army, where they showed us SMGs, submachine guns and grenades. They also showed us their WW2 gas masks and discussed why they wore them. The grenades that they showed us were all different. There was a grenade that you can throw when running forwards and a grenade that's explosion radius was bigger than a throw so you had to duck or run away! Then we got to go inside a tank! It was very cool - we saw how they control the gun, how it is driven, and we saw the hole in the top where someone can stand and shoot. We saw the huge army trucks being driven around in the arena; some had huge guns. In one of the

trucks there was a husky dog which everyone wanted to see! We saw the American forces, who told us about different types



of guns and showed us the scopes that they had. We also saw the Paratroopers, who are highly advanced fighters, who do 1 mission at a time and are also allowed any weapon they want! They also taught us the importance of looking after our feet to avoid getting trench foot (mouldy feet - yuk!).

Finally, we went to see the helicopter and heard how the person who owned it had also flown spitfires and lots of other planes. What a great day we had!

By Sam Y5

## We are Athletes

 On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, an energetic athletics team visited Pixham sports ground to compete against other Dorking schools to win the glory of a trophy. Every time we took part in an event, the section designated for The Weald, erupted with chants and cheers. When we were running our races, we felt powered to keep running (even the 600m!). During the awards ceremony we were all hoping; all praying one by one! First place was a huge dream. "For the girls track, we have a joint winner....St



Martins and THE WEALD!" A huge roar cried out from The Weald as we won a trophy. We were all overjoyed at that fact, and we got to keep it! We also came first out of the four small school and won the small schools award as well - it was a dream come true for everyone.

By Will Y6





## We are Artists



This year's Art Week was a celebration of identity and creativity with the theme *"Doodle Me Different."* Children across the school explored what makes them unique by expressing their cultural backgrounds, favourite foods, colours, and more through symbols. Each year group was inspired by a different artist known for celebrating diversity in their work. Year 3 created amazing silhouette art,

showing bold shapes. Year 4 painted lovely watercolour pieces that reflected their personalities. Year 5 explored the beauty of dotted art, using careful patterns and colours, while Year 6 took this style even further by incorporating it into incredible sculptures. A big thank you to all the parents and carers who came to see the exhibition last Thursday. Your support brought so much excitement and pride to the children as they displayed their wonderful creations.



## Celebration Assembly - Friday 11th July



Congratulations to Jessie, Poppy, Layna, Thomas, Izzy, Sophia, Leah, Xander, Eleanor and Tommy for receiving their Golden Ticket this week. We are very proud of your achievements.



Congratulations to the Year 5 and 6 children who attended Pixham Athletics last week and won the Small Schools Trophy. Well done, we are so proud of this amazing achievement.



Year 6 were presented with their leavers hoodies and books by Mrs Ward and Miss Burbridge. A big thank you to both parents for sorting out the hoodies and to Mrs Leggatt for producing a work of art with the leavers books.



## We are Athletes



Just wanted to let you know, Tyler completed his grading this weekend in the heat, an 1hr and a half fitness and he is now a Brown Belt! He also did his Modern exam in dance a couple of weeks ago and was awarded a Merit. Well done Tyler, this is a great achievement.



## We are Athletes



Last weekend, Sam took part in his KBK grading and even in the sweltering heat, he passed, receiving his brown belt! Congratulations Sam and well done for this great achievement.



## Year 5 and 6 Production





The force was strong with our Year 6 and Year 5 performers this week! Together, they delivered a hilarious, high energy production of Star Warts, packed with intergalactic laughs and out-of-this-world talent. Their hard work, confidence and brilliant comic timing lit up the stage - an incredible performance from all involved. We are so proud of every single one of them.



### House Winners of The Year

Well done to Neptune for winning the cup for 2024/2025. They were well led by Poppy and Art, the Neptune House Leaders. Well done to you all for brilliant team work.

Well done to Bertie and Reece for completing their woodwork challenge this term. We are very proud of your achievements.



### Dates for your Diary

#### Autumn Term 2025

8th September - Children back to school

#### Inset Days for 2025/2026

Wednesday 3rd September

Thursday 4th September

Friday 5th September

Friday 24th October

Monday 5th January 2026

Monday 13th April

Wednesday 22nd July

#### After School Clubs Timetable - Autumn Term 2025

##### Monday:

Running - 3.20-4.30pm - **8th September**

Dance - 3.20pm-4.30pm - **8th September**

##### Tuesday:

Art - 3.20pm-4.30pm - 5.30pm - **9th September**

Cookery Club - 3.20pm - 4.40pm - **9th September**

Dodgeball Club - 3.20-4.30pm - **9th September**

Netball Club - 3.20-4.30pm - **9th September**

##### Wednesday:

Art - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm - **10th September**

Forest School - 3.20-4.30pm - 10th September

Karate - 3.20pm - 4.20pm - **10th September**

Multisports - 3.20pm-4.30pm - **10th September**

##### Thursday:

Art - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - 5.30pm - **11th September**

Roller Hockey Club - 3.20-4.30pm - **11th September**

Cricket (Kai) - 3.20pm - 4.30pm - **11th September**

##### Friday:

Bowls - 3.20pm - 4.20pm - **12th September**

Football - 3.20-4.30pm - **12th September**

#### Lunchtime Clubs Timetable

##### Monday:

Dodgeball - 12.30-1pm - outside

Gym - 12.30-1pm - Main Hall

##### Tuesday:

Rock Band - 12.30 - 1pm - Music Room

##### Wednesday:

Multisports - 12.30-1pm - outside

##### Thursday:

Multisports - 12.30-1pm - outside

##### Friday:

Multisports - 12.30-1pm

## Dorking Library - Summer Reading Challenge

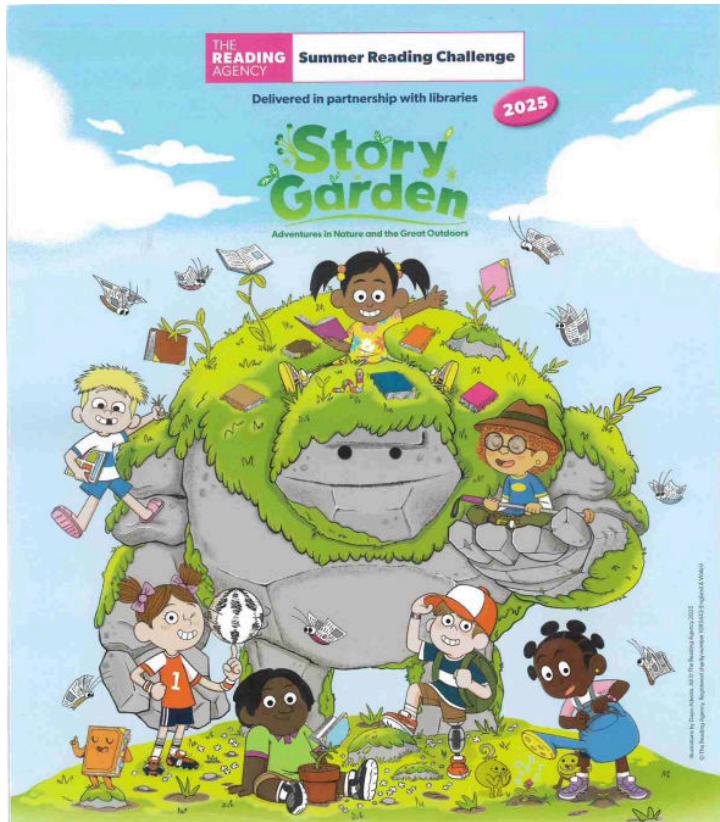
Schools are closing for the summer holidays  
but FACE will be open for your parents



Ongoing online advice, information and support.  
No waiting lists, no referrals, a friendly face!



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facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### How it works:

1. Choose books to read from your library – stories, audiobooks, poems, graphic novels, eBooks, fact books... anything you like!
2. Record the name of each book you read.
3. Collect and attach a sticker from your library to track your progress.

[summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

August Timetable	
All sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each or <b>FREE</b> with School Membership - 90 minutes long Book online at <a href="http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk">facefamilyadvice.co.uk</a> Recordings available for 48 hours	
Anxiety Explained	4th 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4th 7pm
What is ACT?	5th 10am
Introduction to OCD	5th 7pm
Raising Self Esteem	11th 10am
Decreasing Depression	11th 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	12th 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	12th 7pm
Improving Family Communication	18th 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	18th 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	19th 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	19th 7pm
Understanding Anger	25th 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25th 7pm
Facing Defiance	26th 10am

# DORKING LOVE RUGBY

**FREE TRAINING SESSIONS**



Every Wednesday  
From 4th June  
6:30 - 7:30pm  
At Dorking RFC  
Years 3-6

For more info:  
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# C.H.S. SHOW TENT

SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2025

## WHAT WILL YOU ENTER THIS YEAR?



[WWW.CAPELHORTICULTURALSOCIETY.ORG.UK](http://WWW.CAPELHORTICULTURALSOCIETY.ORG.UK)



### Summer Fun for All the Family!

Check out our website to see the classes available for all ages to try in this annual competition in the big marquee on Capel Show Day.

You'll also find a guide on how to enter.

Then have some fun planning, producing and showing your items.

Challenge your friends and family!

Here are just a few of the classes to be entered:

2-4 year olds:	Class 504	A decorated plant pot
	Class 539	5 rice crispie cakes
5-7 year olds	Class 514	A collage made from odds and ends
	Class 546	6 cookies
8-12 year olds	Class 525	Colouring competition
	Class 530	A botanical bookmark
	Class 551	6 Showstopper cupcakes
13-15 year olds	Class 563	Not just a photograph!
	Class 565	Your very best 2 layered cake
Adults	Class 131	A vase of flowers from your garden
	Class 414	5 pieces of layered traybake
	Class 610	An item of hand-made jewellery

Could you win a prize, or even a trophy?

See You in the Show Tent!



### A MUSICAL ADVENTURE

Sunday 3rd August 11am - 5pm

£13/adult and children 2+ years (+booking fee)

Albury Vineyard, Shere Road, Albury, Surrey GU5 9BW

**A family-friendly musical trail through the vineyard**

Families are invited to join us on a self-led musical adventure trail through the vines, making new musical 'friends' and finding out about the instruments they play. Discover musical facts at each stage to solve our musical mystery!



music

pizza

ice cream

face painting

wine for grown ups!

Booking essential via [www.alburyvineyard.com](http://www.alburyvineyard.com)



### A WILDLIFE ADVENTURE

Weekends in July & August, 11am - 5pm

Albury Vineyard, Shere Road, Albury, Surrey GU5 9BW

Free entry with recommended donation of £10/group to Surrey Wildlife Trust

**Calling all nature explorers!**

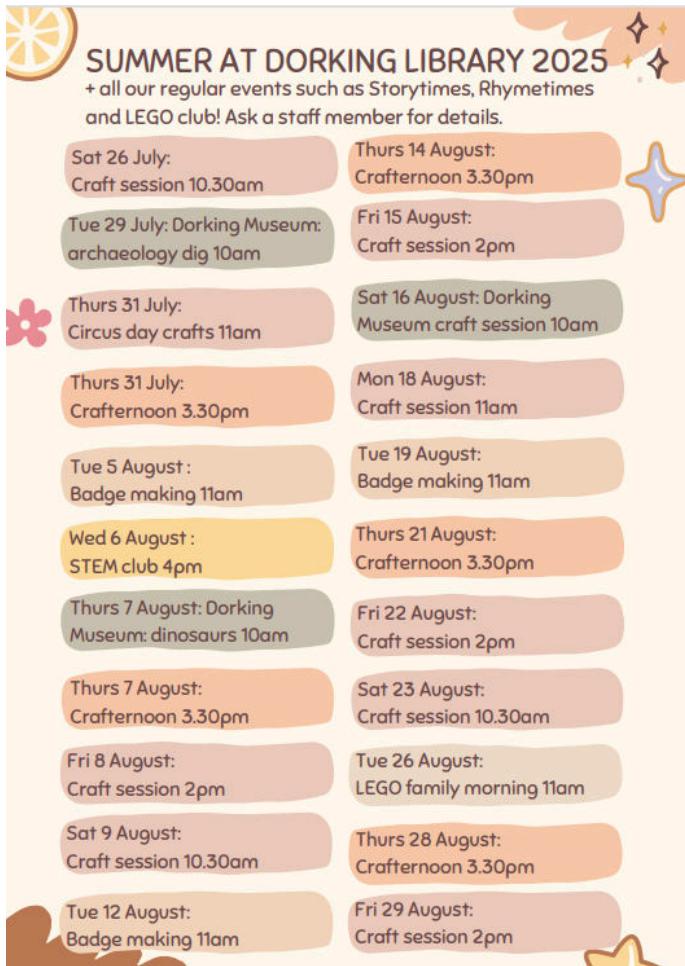
Families are invited to join us on a self-led trail through the vines featuring bat and barn owl boxes, bug hotels, bee hives, butterfly scrapes, an insect highway, wildflower meadows to attract pollinators, compost pits, a pond, and a huge bench shaped as a cow horn.



We encourage you to enjoy the outdoors, learn about nature, and report back to us what you find.

Find out more [www.alburyvineyard.com](http://www.alburyvineyard.com)





**THE READING AGENCY Summer Reading Challenge**

## Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a **FREE**, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

### Why Join?

- It's **FREE!** Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a **lifelong love of reading**
- Boosts **confidence, creativity, and imagination**
- Earn **rewards, certificates, and prizes**
- Fun for the whole **family**. Visit your **local library** together
- **95%** of children said they **read more** after joining!
- Children **choose their own books** to read over the summer, **collect rewards** for each milestone they reach, and **receive a certificate or medal** when they complete the challenge.

**Visit your local library or go online at [summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk) to get started from 5 July 2025.**

**Help your child start their reading adventure today!**