



Friday 19th September

Photograph permissions

Thank you to everyone that has completed the permission form on ParentMail, if you haven't already done so then please complete the form as soon as possible. Thank you.

Bikeability – Year 5 children

If you haven't already signed your child up for the Bikeability course please can you do so by Tuesday 23rd September, all information can be found on ParentMail.

Parkrun

Although a little chilly, it was fantastic to head to Prospect Junior parkrun on Sunday 14th with some of the pupils from both Woodcote and Langtree. They were fantastic, not only in their running but in their sportsmanship too - encouraging each other round the course and cheering other runners. Here's to the next one where we aim to try and take the whole school!



From Last weeks's newsletter

Harvest Boxes

Once again Year 6 children will be doing harvest boxes to deliver within the village. If you have any spare shoe boxes, please can you send these into school. We also need donations of in date non-perishable items of food to fill the boxes. All donations are appreciated. Thank you

Photographs – A reminder that the school photographer will be in school on Thursday 2nd October. Children should be dressed in full school uniform including a school sweatshirt or cardigan. Younger siblings are invited from 8:15am to be included for a family photo.

Lunchtime Supervisor job vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor and would like to ask if you, or anyone you know, would like to join the team in looking after the children at lunchtimes? Maybe you would like to be able to help out occasionally, please can you let us know so that we can add you to our bank staff. Please contact the office for more details.

Class Updates

Oak	<p>A happy and busy week in Oak class. We have learnt the letter 'a' and have been doing lots of fun activities and games to help us to remember the sound and how to write it. We are getting good at writing the letter s and the letter a now. Any practice you can do at home would be great. We have been doing lots of counting games and have enjoyed making porridge, toast and doing apple printing. Next Thursday in PSHE we are talking about things which are special to us so please can the children bring in a favourite soft toy that they can tell their friends about. Next Friday is sharing time at 3pm, where the children will listen to a story with you and show you their classroom. Have a lovely weekend.</p>
Hornbeam	<p>This week in Hornbeam we have enjoyed a range of different learning. In English, we have been looking at the book 'Super Duper You' and trying to understand what it is that makes us super-duper. We have had a writing focus this week, beginning to look at what makes a sentence and remembering three key components: Capital letter to start, finger spaces between words and a full stop to finish. In maths we have continued to look at counting to ten, however we have been starting from different numbers and even counting backwards. During our mastery sessions we have been learning about the number 5 and what the number bonds to 5 are. In RE we continued learning about the Harvest Festival that it is an opportunity for Christians to reflect and give thanks for the crops, similarly we have been reflecting on what we are thankful for. Finally in science, we have begun to learn about human senses and why our sight is so important. Thank you all for your support at home, so many children have read regularly at home, this really does help to make a big difference in school!</p>
Beech	<p>Beech class have been learning about adjectives and expanded noun phrases. We highlighted phrases from Fantastic Mr Fox and then wrote our own sentences including a range of adjectives. We have also begun to write our own setting descriptions for Jack and the Beanstalk. Everyone has been working hard to improve their handwriting and number formation this week. In maths, we have been playing games to practise our counting skills as well as partitioning numbers using different maths resources. We are continuing to revise our number bonds to 10 and 20. We have also been learning to draw 2D shapes, using rulers to draw straight lines. We all managed to log in to our Times Table Rockstars account and had a go at practising our times tables.</p>
Ash	<p>In Ash class this week, we have started to rewrite some story openers for our English book 'Rhythm of the Rain', with some interesting adjectives to describe the first scene. We have continued our work on place value in maths, thinking about partitioning numbers up to 1,000 and in Art, we have been looking at the work of Claude Monet to create our own sections of his paintings using different media such as oil pastels and chalk. We look forward to sharing these with you once completed.</p>
Rowan	<p>Year 4 have been finding out some interesting facts about the history of our school. We have looked at old photos and read facts about the buildings and people who went to the school. We have been thinking about who we are and how we can make sure we show all our positive characteristics, like kindness, generosity, and helpfulness to the people around us.</p>
Maple	<p>It's been another fantastic week in Maple Class. English has seen us doing a deep dive on speech and all the related punctuation. First, we tried to put ourselves into the shoes of characters from our story before trying out using Mr Langley's voice in a comic strip and then writing it out using speech punctuation. In Maths we've been working on our place value, going all the way up to millions. We then started thinking about Powers of 10 which we'll be using throughout the year! Topic saw us learning about Viking longships, including how they were used and learning to name the different parts of a ship. Science saw us continuing our work on forces, this week planning for an experiment</p>

	<p>involving parachutes! We also had the chance this week to use the 3D printer to print some of our modelled designs. Each of us now has a keyring we designed from scratch that we've brought home. We'll have some photos on the website of the process soon! We'll be continuing to hone our 3D modelling skills in the coming months with some more complex ideas! Finally, a big thank you to all of you who have responded to both the ukulele permission email and the Bikeability sign-up link. The deadline for Bikeability is today so please look if you have yet to!</p>
Willow	<p>Well there was trading, bartering, negotiating, a little bit of stealing, exercising, battle drills, battle strategies, some judges, a jury and a murder (well, pretend) - all in one fabulous day at Ufton Court! What a fabulous day and amazing amount we learnt for our Ancient Greek topic. During the rest of the week we have mastered the art of creating a net to cover the shoe boxes for Harvest and aim to decorate these next week. Please make sure Reading Journals are being completed every night at home so we can practise answering the questions at the back - children need to read for at least 20 minutes per night as our Homework policy.</p>
Lunchtime News	<p>We enjoyed being out on the playground in fine weather this week as construction work progresses on the field. The children were excited to see contractors creating a play & learning space adjacent to the enclosed wildlife & pond area. KS1 children collected brightly coloured autumn leaves in buckets & scoops and put them into heaps ... some thought throwing them in the air & collecting them again was far more fun!</p>

What a super time the year 6 children had at Ufton court on Thursday.



Important dates

Friday 26 th September	Story sharing time @ 3:00pm – Oak class – Parents invited
Thursday 2 nd October	Individual photographs including younger siblings starts at 8:15am
Saturday 4 th October	FOWPS Community Coffee Shop
Monday 13 th 16 th October	Year 5 Bikeability – please remember to sign your child up via ParentMail
Friday 17 th October	FOWPS Disco
Monday 20 th October	Parents Evening – times tbc
Tuesday 21 st October	Flu immunisations – more information to follow
Wednesday 22 nd October	Open Morning 9:30am & 11:00am for Reception children September 2026
Thursday 23 rd October	Parents Evening – times tbc
Friday 24 th October	INSET Day – School closed
Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	Autumn Half term
Friday 31 st October	Closing date for Year 7 secondary school places closes
Tuesday 4 th November	Open Morning 9:30am & 11:00am for Reception children September 2026
Saturday 15 th November	FOWPS Community Coffee Shop
Wednesday 10 th December	Year 1&2 Christmas performance – pm, exact time to be confirmed
Thursday 11 th December	Cabin & Oak class performance @ 2:00pm
Friday 12 th December	FOWPS Christmas Fair
Friday 19 th December	Last day of term – 1:00pm finish
Friday 23 rd January 2026	Young voices – Yrs 5 & 6
Monday 2 nd March	National Offer Day for Secondary school places