



HURST GREEN HAPPENINGS

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WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

The government has set a target of 95% attendance. These are our attendance figures for this week:

Whole School: 95% - Reception: 96% -
Year 1: 97% - Year 2: 92%

Please remember school attendance is mandatory and school starts promptly at 9am. Unauthorised absences from school can lead to a penalty fine. See page 4 for more information on Penalty Notices.

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Bank Holiday

Monday 4 May

The Early May Bank Holiday. We hope you enjoy the long weekend off!

* Year 1 trip to Sealife Centre

Tuesday 12 May

Navigators will be heading to London's Sealife Centre. Payment on Arbor, please.

* Careers Week

Week commencing 18 May

People from a variety of jobs will be coming into school to talk to children about their careers.



David Attenborough Day

It's just over a week until our David Attenborough Day, and we hope you're as excited as we are! On Friday 8 May, we'll be celebrating the life and work of this incredible human being on what will be his 100th birthday.

Throughout the day, children will take part in a variety of workshops run by the [David Shepherd Foundation](#) and [Surrey Wildlife Trust](#). They will also learn about birds of prey during a live display on the school field (please pay £5 on Arbor for this activity).

As part of the celebrations, we will be adopting an animal, and children will vote between Painted Dogs, Pangolins, Snow Leopards, and Rhinos.

Finally, children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite wild animal, or wearing something featuring a wild animal, in exchange for a minimum £1 donation (payable via Arbor). All proceeds will be donated to the David Shepherd Foundation.

Staff Spotlight

Mr Parrett, our brilliant caretaker will be a familiar face to many of you.

When he's not busy at school, he enjoys photography and is an avid MG enthusiast. He has even renovated his own car and is planning a German road trip in it this summer!



Spaces in Reception

Do you know anyone who is looking for an in-year Reception place for their child? We have two places available in our Explorers class. Please spread the word to anyone you know who may be interested!

In Pictures...



We are very excited because work on our outdoor classroom begins next Thursday!



Thanks to everyone who supported our sticker sale this week and helped raise money for the school.



We had a visit from a nurse who spoke with Reception children about dental hygiene.



We love this time of year when children can get out and enjoy our lovely school field!



Book Nook

How to Get Your Child Reading

Some children won't put books down, while others find it difficult to pick one up at all. Here are some tips for encouraging reluctant readers:

- **Follow Interests:** Look for books on subjects they love (e.g. football, animals, space) or non-fiction books with appealing visuals.
- **Little and Often:** Keep reading sessions short (10-15 minutes) and regular.
- **Take Turns:** Use a "you read one page, I read the next" approach to build confidence and maintain story flow.
- **Let Them Choose:** Empower children by letting them choose their own books, even if they seem too simple or are comic-style. Try the local library!
- **Make it Social:** Encourage reading in front of others (like grandparents or a younger sibling) to make it feel less intense.
- **Pets:** Reading to pets helps children build confidence, literacy skills, and empathy by providing a calm, non-judgmental audience.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

SUMMER TERM	
Friday 8 May	David Attenborough Day
Monday 18 - Friday 22 May	Careers Week
Monday 25 - Friday 29 May	HALF TERM
Wednesday 3 June	Year 2 Multi-skills @ Hurst Green
Thursday 4 June	Welcome Evening for New Parents @ 6pm
Thursday 18 June	Reception - Bigwood Estate
Monday 22 - Friday 26 June	Arts Week
Tuesday 30 June	Transition Afternoon
Thursday 9 July	Year 2 - Godstone Farm
Friday 3 July	Sports Day (back up date 10 July)
Monday 6 - Friday 10 July	Storytelling Afternoons for new reception children
Friday 10 July	School Reports to Parents
Wednesday 22 July	Year 2 Leavers' Assembly (9.30-10.30)
Thursday 23 July	Last Day of Summer Term!

PENALTY NOTICE INFORMATION

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.



AUTUMN TERM CLUBS

MONDAY (3.15 - 4.00)

Music with Mini Notes

£6/week

<https://bookwhen.com/mini-notes#focus=ev-si6w-20250915151500>



TUESDAY (3.15 - 4.00)

Taekwondo

£6/week

Please contact Coach Hachem on
07747 779717

WEDNESDAY (3.15 - 4.00)

Dance (Bastet School of Dance)

£6/week

To sign up, please contact Jolene on
07894 715655

THURSDAY (3.15 - 4.15)

Rugbytots

£6.50/week

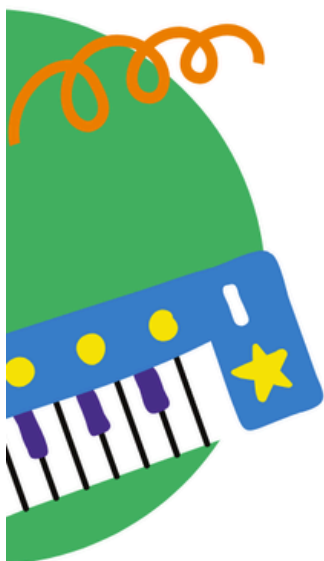
<https://www.rugbytots.co.uk/Oxted/Class/Details/95010>

FRIDAY (3.15 - 4.15)

Football (Sports Elite)

£6/week

Please sign up on Arbor under
'School Clubs'



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New kids karate club

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The Hub, Master Park, Oxted

April 16th 2026 5-6pm

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1st Oxted Scouts

Pre-Loved & Used **BIKE SALE**

Sunday 10th May
Master Park, Oxted



Gates open:

Sellers: 9:15 - 10.00am

Buyers: 10:00 – 11:30am

Sellers – bring & register your items (bikes, scooters, push-chairs, all in good working order) - visit www.1stoxtedscouts.com to print off a form

Buyers – Come early to grab a bargain – Cash ONLY