



# Hurst Green Happenings

## 20 March 2025

Today marks the Spring Equinox and it's only two weeks until the April holidays!

Last week was a sad week as we lost our school hen, Hobbles, who passed away from natural causes. We will miss her dearly but we have lots of lovely memories of our time with her here at school.

Tomorrow is Red Nose Day and children are invited to come to school dressed in their favourite party clothes (to celebrate 40 years of Red Nose Day). Please pay a donation (£1) on Arbor or bring cash with you on the day.

Our Spring and Summer terms are always very busy, so please make sure you look at the Dates for your Diary page.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs George



### Weekly Attendance

The government has set a target of **95%** attendance.

These are our attendance figures for this week:

Whole School: 96%

Reception: 95%

Year 1: 94%

Year 2: 97%

Please remember school attendance is mandatory. Holidays should be planned for school holiday times to avoid missing school time.

***If your child is absent, you must notify the school office every day before 9:15am at the latest.***

Call **01883 712171** and leave a message or email [absence@hurstgreenschool.org](mailto:absence@hurstgreenschool.org)

### Multi-skills Event

Earlier this week, a team from Pioneers took part in a multi-skills festival where they tried their hand at



various PE activities along with other local primary schools.

They had a fabulous time and really did us proud.



**Surrey**  
Wildlife Trust

If you and your family are free this Saturday, why not come along to our **Volunteering Day** with Surrey Wildlife Trust. We will be working on projects to make our grounds better for wildlife and our children, including creating a wildflower meadow and sowing seeds. The day will run from 10am until around 3pm but you don't need to stay for the whole day.

Warm drinks and biscuits will be provided!

# ECO-SCHOOL NEWS

## Introducing our new Eco-Schools' Committee...

We are so happy to announce our new Eco Committee! Our committee will meet regularly to help shape and implement our school eco activities. Names of Y1 and Y2 children who wanted to take part were picked at random. We have our first committee meeting on Thursday 27 March and look forward to sharing our plans with you soon!

## Borrow a litter picker

We are taking part in Keep Britain Tidy's **Great Big School Clean** campaign and have organised two after school litter picks on **Thursday 27 March** and **Thursday 3 April**. The campaign runs from Thursday 21 March to Sunday 6 April—if you would like to take part in some local litter picking with your family and would like to borrow a school litter picking stick, please let us know. We have pledged to collect 30 carrier bags of rubbish, so your help would be much appreciated.

## Recycling at school

Did you know you can recycle your old batteries here at school? Please bring your batteries to the school office and we will put them in our recycling boxes ready for the next collection. We also have a textiles recycling bin in our school car park.



## Down at the farm

It's turning out to be quite a year for school trips! Educational visits are a fantastic way of enriching children's learning and giving them experiences beyond the classroom.

Later this year, Reception and Year 2 will be spending the day at [The Bigwood Estate](#), just down the road in Lingfield. The Estate is a mixed farm covering 250 acres whose aim is to rebuild a balanced ecosystem and natural habitat for native species, as well as for their animals and community.

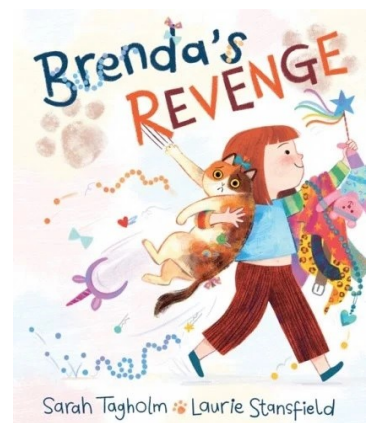
The team at Bigwood will be sharing their knowledge about nature, health, food, and farming with Reception on Tuesday 6 May and Year 2 on Friday 9 May.



## Author Visit

On **Tuesday 1 April** we will be welcoming celebrated children's author Sarah Tagholm to our school to talk to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children about her new book *Brenda's Revenge*. Sarah's event is a fantastic experience for children; it's full of fun, highly interactive and very inspiring.

You can pre-order a copy of *Brenda's Revenge* for a discounted price of £6.50 on Arbor under 'School Products'



## SCIENCE WEEK



Next week we are hosting a Science Week and all children will get the opportunity to take part in some fun and hands-on science-based activities.

Mrs Smith (our Science Lead) has created a fantastic range of interactive science stations that delve into STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) topics. Children will also be visiting our wildlife pond to take part in pond dipping where they will learn all about identification and lifecycles (and see our tadpoles!).

British Science Week has organised a poster competition with the theme 'Adapt and Change', so please do encourage your child to take part. More details can be found [here](#).



Huge thanks to Smith Scientific (based down the road in Edenbridge) for donating some scientific equipment to our school for children to use during role play. We are sure we have some budding scientists in the making!



## Library trip—CHANGES

We have had to change the date of some of our library trips. The trips will now be taking place on the following days:

- Reception—Thursday 3 April
- Year 1— Wednesday 26 March
- Year 2— Friday 16 May

All trips will be taking place during school hours and the cost of train fares will be covered by the School Fund.



## PLAY NOW TO BOOST OUR FUNDRAISING



- Help give our fundraising a boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Win up to £25,000



Supporting



### BUY TICKETS:

Go to: <https://www.tandridge lottery.co.uk/support/hurst-green-infant-school-and-nursery>  
And search for: Hurst Green



Supporters must be 18 years or over

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	
Saturday 22 March	SWT Volunteering Day at school
Wednesday 26 March	Year 1 Oxted Library trip
Friday 28 March	Year 1 Polka Theatre trip
Thursday 27 March	HGSA Mother's Day Shop
Thursday 3 April	Year 2 Pizza Express Oxted trip Reception Library trip
Friday 4 April	HGSA Sponsored Chicken Run Last day of Spring Term
Wednesday 16 April	Surrey primary school application - outcomes sent out from 5pm onwards
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	
Tuesday 22 April	Back to School
Monday 28 April	Drama4All workshop—ALL YEAR GROUPS
Wednesday 7 May	Tennis Festival for selected Y1 and Y2 children
Friday 16 May	Year 2 Library Trip
Wednesday 21 May	Year 1 show— A Night at the West End
Thursday 22 May	Welcome evening for new Reception parents
Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May	Half Term
Thursday 5 June	Reception Pizza Express trip
Wednesday 11 June	Class photos
Monday 16—Friday 20 June	Arts Week
Thursday 26 June	Year 2 Godstone Farm trip
Friday 27 June	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Thursday 10 July	HGSA Summer Disco
Tuesday 22 July	Last day of Summer Term! 1.30 finish

# After School Clubs

All clubs run 3.15—4.15 unless otherwise stated

## MONDAY

**Rugbytots**—Reception, Y1 and Y2

£6/session

To sign up, visit click [here](#)



## TUESDAY

**Dance & Acro** - Reception, Y1 and Y2 (\*finishes at 4pm\*)

£5/session

To sign up, please contact Jolene on 07894 715655



## WEDNESDAY

**Taekwondo**—Reception, Y1 and Y2 (\*finishes at 4pm\*)

£6/session

To sign up, please contact Coach Hachem on 07747 779717



## THURSDAY

**Athletics**—Reception, Y1 and Y2

£6/session

To sign up, click [here](#)



## FRIDAY

**Football** (run by Sports Elite) —Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session

To sign up, please contact the School Office





# Join ParkPlay!

Make friends, have fun, get moving.  
FREE every Saturday morning.

**#MeetMovePlay**



## Hurst Green ParkPlay

**Come and meet our Play Leaders at Holland Junior School  
Every Saturday from 9.30am.**

Starting on Saturday 11 January 2025

ParkPlay welcomes everyone, parents, grandparents, carers and kids (NO dogs) so turn up for FREE games, activities and fun with your local community.

**Register today!**

[park-play.com/register](https://park-play.com/register)

**Bubble Church is coming to St John's Church, Hurst Green**  
**Sunday 27th April at 9am**



**Church for Little Ones**

Bubble Church is a puppet packed, Jesus centred, coffee-and-food-fuelled, 30 minute kids and families adventure.

Come to St John's (from 8.45am) for coffee and food and then you will be guided to your bubble at 9am where you and your little ones will share in song, stories, puppets and prayer.

You can let us know that you are coming, email: [revdsue@stjhurstgreen.org.uk](mailto:revdsue@stjhurstgreen.org.uk) or turn up on the day.





Warlingham School  
& Sixth Form College

# RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN PLANET

Dates: 20th, 21st & 22nd March 2025

Doors open: 7pm

Tickets: £7 adults, £5 concessions

Tickets available on Wisepay (2% booking fee) and, if available, on the door (cash only). No reserved seating.

PTA refreshments will be available.



**Join Captain Tempest and his fearless crew on their journey into hyperspace... and beyond! This winner of the 1990 Olivier Award for Best Musical bursts with red hot rock and roll hits, including Great Balls of Fire, Good Vibrations, Teenager in Love, The Young Ones and The Monster Mash. So fasten your seat belts, set your ray guns to stun and get ready for a cosmic adventure of meteoric proportions!**

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International.

All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI [www.mtishows.co.uk](http://www.mtishows.co.uk).



BARCLAYS

**BIG TENNIS**  
WEEKEND LTA

**FREE  
TENNIS  
OPEN DAY**

**Free Play & Coaching Sessions**

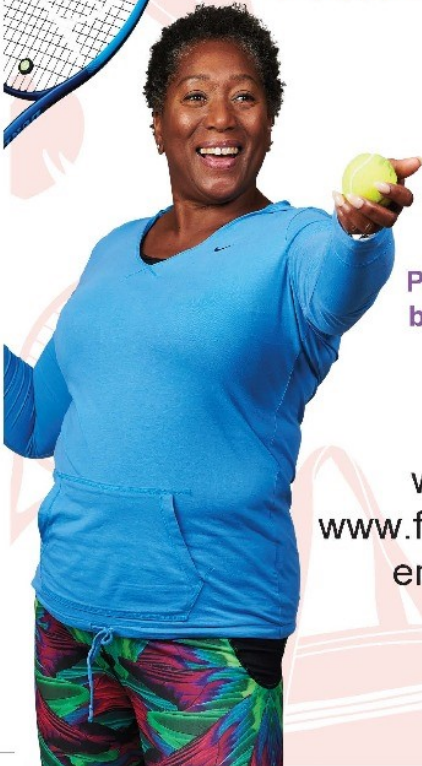
All Ages & Abilities Welcome

**Hurst Green Tennis Club**

**Saturday 12 April 25  
1.30 to 4.30 pm**

Places are free and you don't need to book,  
but it would help us to reserve you a space  
if you let us know you're coming.

[www.hurstgreentennisclub.co.uk](http://www.hurstgreentennisclub.co.uk)  
[www.facebook.com/HurstGreenTennisClub](https://www.facebook.com/HurstGreenTennisClub)  
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Phone, Text or WhatsApp  
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# Sports Elite Easter Camp



8th-10th April

Holland Junior School  
£30 per day, £81 All Three  
8:45-3:00pm

## WHAT TO BRING

- Appropriate Footwear
- Water Bottle
- Packed Lunch
- Appropriate Sportswear



10%  
Sibling  
discount

Dodgeball, Football, Hockey, Tag  
Rugby, Badminton, Martial Arts, Tennis,  
Volleyball, PS5, Lunchtime challenges,  
Gymnastics, Arts & Crafts & Special  
events!

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