



Saxon Wood School

Weekly Newsletter – 26th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all well. It is hard to believe it will be May next week! I have been working with staff to develop our outdoor classroom areas, to enable the children to enjoy our purposeful provision and resources outside, now that the weather is improving.

Last week I made a plea for any resource we could use. If you are having a good clear-out and have anything you think we might use, please send it our way.

Newsletters

If you would like a paper copy of our weekly newsletter, these can be found in our reception area.

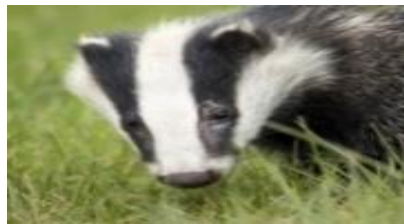
Swings and Smiles

A quick reminder about our forthcoming Swings and Smiles session. This will take place at Saxon Wood on Tuesday 28th May between 11:00am - 1:00pm. Siblings are welcome too. This session will be paid by the school. To book a place please contact Swings and Smiles directly. They will then invoice the school. They can be contacted by email: office@swingsandsmiles.co.uk

Saxon Wood in action!



Fox class have continued with their topic, 'At the farm.' Reading the story of, 'The little Red Hen' and practising their number songs to five. They have been busy making animals using different materials such as cotton wool, tissue paper and feathers whilst listening to and making lots of different animal sound effects. They have continued to practise catching and throwing balls and had a super dance session with Move Momentum.



Badger class have continued to explore instructions and their purpose. We are very much looking forward to making our own potions next week which we will then create a set of instructions for so others can make it too! In PE, some children have been exploring different ways to travel around an area such as side stepping and lunging. Others have been continuing to work hard on their physio programmes and have shown great resilience. In maths, we have been working on subitising numbers 1-5. We are getting good at recognising the numbers represented on a dice without counting the dots! Badger class have continued to practise sounding and blending words in phonics and reading. Some of us had a go at thinking about how we can use our voices to read with expression to make our reading even more exciting!



This week in Squirrel class the children enjoyed many farmyard related activities. They continued getting to know the characters in our story and recognising their emotions. They also further practiced recognising the sounds of different farm animals during phonics activities and practiced counting and number names up to 5 through topic related number songs. The children found great fun in painting and crafting a paper plate pig and joining in with animal splash in Bucket time. In PE everyone is trying their best working on their physical skills and in music they are joining in with playing on different instruments with and without support.



Hedgehog class this week have been working on phonic sounds 'ue' U-Hoo, 'ue' Cool Blue and 'ew' Cool Blue. They have been playing various games like Pin the grapheme, the first 'ue' standing and Teacher say's, a phonics version of Simon says. The high frequency words they have learnt this week are: they, are, ask, put, and, the. Some of the children have started spelling too. In Maths we have been looking at representing numbers. Showing different ways to represent a number, counting and recognising that number and moving on to number bonds using that number. In Literacy we have read 'Spindrella' and looked at before reading, during reading and after reading questions to help with our comprehension. We have also been working on adjectives to help describe a character's qualities. In PE some children are making some great progress in their physio, while others have been looking at movement and using their bodies to move in a controlled way by being astronauts.



Dormouse Class have been working really, really hard on their motor skills practising locating, exploring and holding a range of textured resources. As they were all the same colour and shape this really helped us centre our attention on the textures of the objects. Crepe paper was a definite hit! Some children even tried picking up and transferring them to card to create a wonderful jungle tree trunk scene!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care

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Please **do not** send your child into school if they have a high temperature
As is always the case we will ask you to collect your child if we feel they are
too unwell to be in school

Below is a link launched from the NHS through Healthier Together which
gives helpful advice on symptoms and also when children can attend school

<https://www.what0-18.nhs.uk/parentscarers/worried-your-child-unwell/child-unwell-ok-go-nurseryschool>



Can we please ask that any important messages concerning your child are
communicated to school via parent comms or called in directly to the school
office or if concerning your child's health directly to the school nursing team

Full contact details are shown below

Escorts are not able to pass on specific information

**Please be considerate with your parking
Do not park outside the school near the exit gate and on the estate
We appreciate that there is a queue of buses and cars in the carpark
but this is usually cleared quickly**



Please bear with us during pick up and drop off times

If you are driving to school then we ask that you please stay with your vehicle and a member of staff will come out to collect your child. This will enable us to keep the carpark flowing as efficiently as possible and allows the parents to leave in the order that they are parked

- Please utilise the whole carpark and use any of the three lanes
- The right and middle lanes we can only unload the front vehicle
- The left hand lane we can unload the front three vehicles

Please do not walk your child down the carpark
Thank you for your cooperation

The school nurse team are available in school all day and can be contacted directly on 01256 262097 or by email

SaxonwoodNursingTeam@hhft.nhs.uk





ATTENTION PARENTS

**All email correspondence, not just absences,
must be sent directly to the office at:**

parentcomms@saxonwood.hants.sch.uk

(Please only use this email address)

Emails will be monitored between 8:00am – 3:45pm, Monday – Friday
during term time only by admin staff

Your email will then be forwarded to the relevant member of staff and you
will receive a response either by phone call, or email via the office

If you send an email in the evening, please be reassured that this will be
read the following school day and you will then receive a response

If you do not wish to divulge information to the admin staff, then please
email to request a telephone call from the relevant member staff. If the
member of staff is in class, they will contact you at the earliest convenient
time

**Teachers and support staff will not respond to
direct emails from parents**



Badger class trip to Intec – Thursday 2nd May

Mayday Bank Holiday (school closed) Monday 6th May

Inset Day (school closed) Tuesday 7th May

Last day of school – Friday 24th May
(May half term 27th May – 7th June)

Children return to school Monday 10th June