



Saxon Wood School

Weekly Newsletter – 7th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well.

I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to parents for providing wonderful costumes for your children for World Book Day. They look amazing. Some costumes include; Sonic the Hedgehog, Batman, Mary Poppins, Doctors, Harry Potter.... the list goes on. One child even came dressed as a Number 6 Stagecoach bus. Well done to parents for their creativity.

There has been much 'eggs-citement' at Saxon Wood! On Monday we had a delivery of eggs and an incubator. Over the last few days we have seen eggs cracking and beaks or legs popping out to reveal some beautiful, fluffy chicks. The children have had the opportunity to see the chicks and will have other opportunities to see them next week, before they are returned next Friday. We always use a company that is ethically run, ensuring the chicks go to a good home.





Fox Class this week have enjoyed more outside play due to the lovely mild weather. The children made great and swift transitions to the garden waiting for fun activities. We continued with our 'Under the sea' topic where we explored stories whilst playing with sand, water and sea animals. It was messy but that is how we like it! We started working on 'same' and 'different' during activities. It may take us a while to master it but we will carry on. We also enjoyed some Bucket time where we watched a jellyfish being made using water colours, super fun Music session, story time in the library and our PE sessions in the hall. We have made a start on creating some lovely artwork for our 'Art Gallery' which is coming up soon. We painted, coloured, glued and stuck and hope you will like our creations.



Badger Class have enjoyed listening to our new book 'Billy's Bucket'. Children made predictions about what Billy might find when he looked into his bucket. Some suggested unicorns, princesses and even a teleportation device! In maths, we have been having a go at estimating amounts and then using 1:1 correspondence to check the actual amount by counting. Children have made some very good estimates; some even estimated the correct amount or were 1 or 2 off! Badger Class have been working hard on developing their typing skills and have been making good progress at recognising and using middle row and space bar keys. Children have been expressing excitement for World Book Day since Monday this week! So they have enjoyed sharing with each other how they have come dressed today.



Dormouse Class have had a fab week working with a range of malleable materials to create our own 3D art themed around "Under The Sea." This included exploring changes to materials such as combining dry sand with water or pouring plaster of Paris over a mould and feeling it harden shortly later! We explored outside to collect resources and used them as part of some special art work! The children worked so hard using different parts of their hands to create this art - fingers, palms and whole hand. They've done so well! The week has been rounded off beautifully with World Book Day and the children looked fabulous - thank you all for the effort and creativity you put into the children's costumes.



Hedgehog Class this week have continued to work hard on their phonics, learning a new grapheme, segmenting to spell CCVCCC words and learning new rules to spell. They have created some beautiful artwork ready for the art gallery which they really enjoyed and learnt a new technique drawing with chalk.



Squirrel Class have really enjoyed continuing with our topic related art activities. This week the children made paper plate African masks using paint, glue and sugar paper. In maths we continued comparing different sized African animals and also explored different quantities, such as lots and one. In phonics the class worked in two groups. One group continued with Monster phonics and the other group worked on early phonics and sound recognition and communication skills using switches and communication boards. The whole class had good fun in our Move Momentum and Music sessions, and Relax Kids was another lovely therapeutic session. The children have especially enjoyed celebrating World Book Day today and have proudly showed off their costumes.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Take care

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From Monday 10th March, you will notice a change in our front entrance, as we have now installed an electronic sign in system. If you arrive to school with your child after 9:15, you will be required to come into the reception area to sign them into school. If you require to pick your child up from school early, the same applies and you will need to come into reception to sign them out. Please do not worry, you will be guided through the process.

**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

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



The following link has some helpful information if you are unsure whether your child should attend school

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



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)

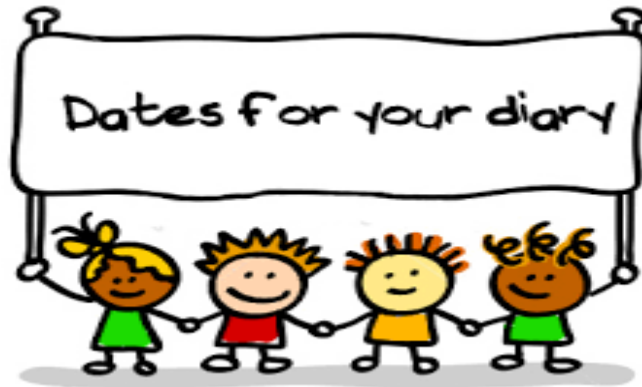
Emails will be monitored between 8:00am – 3:45pm, Monday – Friday
during term time only by admin staff

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**



Monday 10th - 14th March – Science week

- Tuesday 11th March – Silly Science workshop in school
- Wednesday 12th March – Forensic Science workshop in school (Badger and Hedgehog classes)
Parents Evening – Letters to follow
- Friday 21st March – Red nose day dress up
- Tuesday 25th March – Art gallery open morning for parents
- Friday 4th April – Last day of term (**early finish at 1.30pm**)
Children return to school on Tuesday 22nd April

Remaining Inset days for 2024/2025:

- Monday 28th July 2025
- Tuesday 29th July 2025



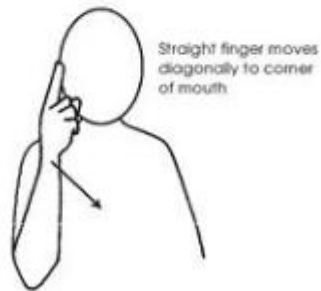
Red Nose Day on Friday 21st March

This year marks the 40th anniversary of this wonderful charity and so spans through four decades

Come to school dressed as a choice of something from either 80's, 90's, 00's, 10's

Donations are voluntary if you would like to make one please send into school in a marked envelope

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Absences from school

If your child has a planned medical appointment during the school day can you please advise school in advance and send a copy of the appointment letter via

parentcomms@saxonwood.hants.sch.uk