



# Saxon Wood School

Weekly Newsletter – 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well.

This week has been an exciting week, focussing on National Science Week. The children have been enthusiastic, full of awe and wonder and have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in science activities and experiments. Keep a look out on our school website as we will be uploading photos.

The children have also been busy making some little gifts for Mothers' Day. I won't say too much as I am sure they will be keen to surprise you! I hope all of our Saxon Wood mothers have a fantastic Mothers' Day. You are amazing and you are real life superheroes who do a wonderful job every single day.

Thank you to the parents who joined us for our focused coffee morning with the Educational Psychologist. I had lovely feedback form parents about how beneficial this was. After Easter, I will be offering some 1:1 sessions with our Educational Psychologist, Dr. Chantelle Hawke. These spaces will be limited and will be on a first come first served basis. However, if we have a lot of interest, I can arrange for some further sessions. I really want to offer parents as much support as possible, especially when it can be challenging when a child often becomes dysregulated. More information to follow.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and an even better Mother's Day.

Take care

**Jakki**





**Fox Class** as well as all of their regular activities this week, also took part in National science week by making our own experiments. Firstly, we observed an experiment using mentos and fizzy drinks. We watched as three different coloured fizzy drinks erupted, shooting high into the sky with white, red and brown bubbles. We then mixed some primary-coloured paint together to make secondary colours. It was great to play with colours and make some of our own. We have also been busy planting some watercress seeds which we will water and keep a close eye on as they grow.



**Dormouse Class** have made most of the sun shine this week; we have been outside at every opportunity. The children love feeling the wind and sun on their faces. On Tuesday the children went down to the Sensory Garden for Forest school which was enjoyed by everyone. As it has been Science week, we have been experimenting making different types of edible play dough. We have used marshmallows with coconut oil and apple sauce with corn flour. All the children have loved the mess they make and feeling the different textures during the experiment. Some of the children have even enjoyed eating it! Let's hope the sun continues shine.



**Hedgehog Class** have been putting their chef hats on and making some tasty food and drinks! On Tuesday, they made lemonade in small groups, which tasted amazing! They are going to be writing their recipes on how to make this over the next couple of weeks. On Wednesday they carefully cut fruit into a variety of 3D shapes including cubes and cuboids to make a fruit kebab. On Friday, as part of science week and their whole class treat that children have been working towards, we will also be making our own ice cream! They enjoyed a super Forest School session where they made perfume with flowers and water, as well as floral bookmarks and paintings of tulips using mud paint. Hedgehog Class have been continuing to work hard in phonics and they have really impressed when segmenting to spell words!



**Badger Class** have been busy this week making lovely gifts for our mummy's...be sure to carefully check your child's bag! We've also explored lots of science this week including looking at objects that sink and float on water and why this happens. We were all very surprised to find that a satsuma floated but some very tiny hundreds and thousands sank. 'Why did the heaviest object float the lightest object sink?' was our big science question and we found out that it was all to do with the object's **density**. Density is how tightly packed the material inside something is. Why not have a go at the experiment at home? We also looked at different types of rocks and where we find them. We loved using magnifying glasses to look at the types of rocks more closely. Everyone enjoyed some tulip painting at forest school this week and we learnt all about spring. In maths, we started to look at the place value of two digit numbers to 20 and were introduced to dines.



**Squirrel Class** have celebrated science week by taking part in some experiments. Our first experiment was the soda and Mentos experiment which always proves to be a big hit amongst children. The class observed the physical reaction of the soda and Mentos being added together and then result in a very visual, foamy bubble eruption. The children also planted beans on cotton wool in sandwich bags which are taped to the window to be able to see and follow the life cycle of the bean. With this experiment we are also learning about responsibilities by making sure that we are watering the beans regularly so they can grow. We can't wait to see our giant beanstalks!



**A big thank you for all that supported us at our recent book fair and took part in the sponsored read**

**We have raised an amazing £885 towards new books for our school**



## Easter Bonnet Parade



We invite you to work together at home with your child to create an amazing Easter Bonnet

these can be showcased during assembly on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March and a prize will be awarded for the most creative

We look forward to seeing your creations!



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](mailto: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>



# CAR PARK SAFETY

**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 allow parents to leave in the order that they are parked and ensure safety for all

Handovers should be kept to a minimum. If you need to speak with a member of staff, please email or call ahead and we will arrange this for you, or please use your child's home communication book to relay any messages

- 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



# ATTENTION PARENTS

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

**[parentcomms@saxonwood.hants.sch.uk](mailto: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**



**Full term dates are shown on our website**

- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Easter bonnet parade in school
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – last day of term (1.30 finish)  
Easter Holidays 30<sup>th</sup> March – 10<sup>th</sup> April

**Children return to school Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**



To Sleep



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