



# Saxon Wood School

Weekly Newsletter – 17<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well and had a good Easter Break.

The children returned to school refreshed and ready to learn on Monday. It is wonderful to greet them each day at the door when they arrive, full of enthusiasm and ready for the day ahead.

They have been enjoying learning about their new topics. We will be sending home the half termly topic booklets soon. This gives parents an overview of what the children will be learning over this half term.

We have been liaising with Primary Behaviour Support who will be running a parent session on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 10:00am. More details to follow.

I hope you all have a relaxing weekend.

Take care

**Jakki**

*happy*  
**WEEKEND!**



**Fox Class** children were happy to be back and settled quickly into our routine. This week we enjoyed some outdoor time and time in the Sensory room and soft play area. We also got very busy in our classroom making fruit smoothies in our cooking session. The majority of us enjoyed either looking at or using the blender under strict supervision from staff. We all enjoyed our Geography session where we explored different types of weather and environments on Earth. We planted big and small seeds and will watch them as they grow. We had a fun music session outdoors during Forest school where we made lady birds and listened to stories and songs about insects. In our Write Dance session we looked at 'Where we live', and made marks in messy play. In our sensory we listened to 'Handa's surprise' and explored lots of different types fruit.



**Dormouse Class** have had a busy first week back. We have started a new sensory story 'Handa's Surprise'. The children have been exploring different types of fruit, and painted individual pictures of fruit to go in a basket which we all painted. This will go up on our display for all to see. All the children enjoyed taking part in our parachute session this week, they especially love going underneath it! As the sun was out, some of the children managed to get down to the sensory garden. It was lovely to see them out in the fresh air. Let's hope the sun continues to shine and we will have many more days outside.



**Hedgehog Class** have been working really hard on maths and phonics assessments and the team have been so impressed with how well they are doing! On Friday we began our two day RE block and loved hearing all about the children's special items they had brought in to share. We all loved hearing about them!



**Badger Class** this week have started to learn addition and subtraction skills. We learnt what **number bonds** means and found all bonds to 5 using objects, and some children moved on to pictorial representations. Can your child recognise up to 5 objects in a group at home without counting them? (subitising) We all really enjoyed looking for ladybirds in Forest School with Emily! The library is always a much-loved activity and many children enjoyed choosing new books to take home. A reminder that our library day is every Wednesday when we get a chance to swap our choice book for home and enjoy stories together. Your child needs to bring their current book back in order to swap it for a new one. We also started our first RE lesson about Sikhism and learnt about their values, beliefs and their special place of worship. We look forward to more fun RE activities on Monday when we work alongside Hedgehog Class.



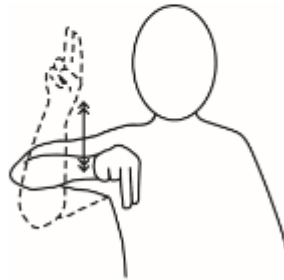
**Squirrel Class** is back in full swing and the children seemed to have enjoyed getting back into their routine in class. We have had a fun, gentle week to ease the children back and they have enjoyed all the different activities that were planned. PE has been great fun, all children accessing activities/games that they enjoy while carrying out tasks that were focusing on their physical development and physio targets. Our forest school session on Tuesday was enjoyed by all. The children enjoyed listening to 'The very lazy ladybird' story then accessed different sensory activities such as stamping to create ladybirds, exploring a bug hotel and going to the sensory garden to look for real ladybirds. The class found not one but two! What amazing explorers we have in Squirrel Class!



## Makaton Sign of the week: To paint



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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**

- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – Parents Coffee Morning (9.30-10.30)
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April - Primary Behaviour Support parent session (10.00am)

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday (school closed)**

- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Last day of school (normal finish)
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June Half term  
Children return to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day (reserve day Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June)
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July – Fun Day
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term (1.30 finish)

Leavers assembly for our Year 6 children at 10am

**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> September Inset days**

**Children return to school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

**School term dates for 2026/2027 to follow**