



Saxon Wood School

Weekly Newsletter – 15th May 2026

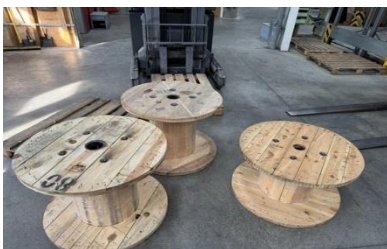
Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all well.

This week marks National Children's Mental Health week. We have recognised this in a range of different ways across the school. The children have participated in various therapeutic activities, including Relax Kids, painting, spa sessions and we even had an orchestra visit and perform for us in school yesterday. The children were mesmerised by the music and thoroughly enjoyed listening to the various musical instruments.

Outdoor areas

We are currently revamping our outdoor classroom areas to provide a range of various zoned areas for the children to explore. If you have any old pots/pans, baking trays, ladles, whisks, or large serving spoons, we would really appreciate these. Saxon Wood staff are very resourceful and creative at turning everyday objects into wonderful learning opportunities for the children. If you know of any companies that could donate the large electrical cable wheels, we can really make use of these. I have provided some photos below to give you an idea of what we are looking for.



I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Take care

Jakki



Fox Class celebrated Mental Health Awareness this week by making sure that we had a number of relaxing activities that we could all take part in. We had water play, sand play and a Spa afternoon to name just a few. The children very much enjoyed listening to a performance from The St John's Orchestra. During our Design Technology topic, we were working on cutting and sticking 2D shapes. We made Elmer out of different textured fabrics. Another activity was making 'cement' out of flour, water and hot chocolate powder. We used it to stick big blocks together to build a wall. It was very messy but so much fun! As well as all of this we continued with our normal timetable of PE, Cooking, Music, Relax kids and Move Momentum.



Dormouse Class have enjoyed a wellbeing week this week, they have been messy painting using different textures added to the paint, we have had a Spa afternoon with foot spa, hand and foot massages. This was loved by all the children; someone kept asking for more using their communication board which was amazing! We had an orchestra visit school this week and play for us which was a very special treat and enjoyed by everyone.



Hedgehog Class have had a fun-packed week with lots of relaxing activities as part of Mental Health Awareness Week. The best part of this was yesterday when we had a Spa Day including footbaths with hand and foot massage also, we were all very chillaxed after this. Earlier in the week we were treated to a performance in school by the St John's Orchestra in school which was enjoyed by all. Today we made cakes and had a Teddy Bear's picnic in the sensory garden. As well as all of these fun activities we have continued with our story of 'The Hobbit' and all of our usual phonics, literacy and maths has been based around this.



Badger Class have been celebrating Mental Health Awareness Week by doing lots of activities that we enjoy and make us feel happy. We've made fruit salad, Rocky Road, done some relaxing painting and played some board games. In Forest School, we made bug houses and continued to learn about ladybirds. We had a visit from an orchestra on Wednesday and many children enjoyed being conductors!



Squirrel Class celebrated Mental Health Awareness Week with plenty of relaxing and favoured activities this week. The children had access to more relaxation sessions where they listened to calming music while exploring and manipulating with sensory scarves, paintbrushes with strokes on their hands and sponge dabbers. The children had fun during both outdoor and indoor play and our weekly PE sessions, Music and dance activities and the children took turns in the sensory room for more opportunities for sensory regulation.



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To Help (1)



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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



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

(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 21st May - 1:1 parents' session with Dr. Hawke (Time slots will be allocated)
- Friday 22nd May – Last day of school (normal finish)
- Monday 25th May – Friday 5th June Half term
Children return to school on Monday 8th June
- Friday 19th June – Sports Day (reserve day Friday 26th June)
- Monday 27th July – Fun Day
- Tuesday 28th July – Last day of term (1.30 finish)
Leavers assembly for our Year 6 children at 10am

1st, 2nd and 3rd September Inset days

Children return to school on Friday 4th September

School term dates for 2026/2027 to follow