



# Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 26 – Spring Term

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Learn, love and flourish together

Our value this term is resilience



Target attendance for the Year 95%

This year's attendance is 95.5%

*Do for other people what you want them to do for you. Luke 6:31*

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

## Ofsted

Thank you all for supporting the school last week during our visit from Ofsted. Our report will be available late April/Early May.

## Red Nose Day and Charity fundraising at school

Last Friday our children raised £76 for Comic Relief by making everyone laugh! We had some great jokes enjoyed by everyone.



## Year 2 Sale for all

We raise money for lots of charities, helping us to think about others, and from Tuesday next week we'll be raising money for Charlie's Promise, supporting a family at our school. Thank you for the nearly new gifts you sent in. We have books, toys and gifts for all ages.



Please remember it is CASH ONLY so the Year 2 children can learn about money.



## OPAL GROUNDFORCE DAY

'Thank you!'

A huge thank you to our amazing families who joined us on Saturday. There were over twenty families and we managed to eat 60 hotdogs! We achieved so much and the children have been enjoying the hill all week. Our next phase is to install a sandpit!



## Specsavers



Carol, from Specsavers in Godalming, came to talk to our children about the importance of looking after our eyes last week. Many children told her they had already been to the opticians and we talked about the benefit of wearing glasses for some children.

Sight tests for children are free and if your child has been for an eye or hearing test let us know so we can record it on your child's school medical and health profile on Arbor.

## Epilepsy Day

It was great to see so many of you wearing something purple for Epilepsy Day in support of one of our families in school. We raised £30 which will be donated to Epilepsy Action.



### IMPORTANT NOTICE

**There is a funeral arranged for Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 3pm over at All Saints church. It is Open Classroom, so please bear this in mind as it will be busier at pick up, please walk/cycle if possible. Thank you.**

## Witley C of E Infant School Open Day on Sat, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025 2 -4 pm

In June we are planning an Open Day for children who will be joining us in September 2025, and prospective parents for September 2026. We thought it would be great for our new children to get to know the school and offer the opportunity for local families to explore our school on a non-school day. They can then return in the autumn for one of our scheduled school tours to see the children and the school in action. Our EYFS will be open, as well as Forest School and pond dipping. Further details about our Open Day will follow.

## Year 2 Class Assembly for Parents at 2.15 pm in Jubilee Hall

Don't forget on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> March Year 2 have their Class Assembly for their parents.

## Open Classroom for all year groups

Also on Monday we have Open Classroom for ALL year groups 2.45 – 3.30 pm for your child to share their learning with you.

Apologies that we have so many events this week. The Church service was out of our hands and we do not expect you to come to all of them as we know many families work full and part time.

## Does your child go to Hen House?

Hen House, our breakfast and after school care provider, are changing their booking system next week. Please see important information further on in the newsletter.

Have a lovely Mothers' Day weekend,

Mrs Szczepanski and all the staff

## Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Smith family for the yummy chocolate cake

Congratulations to Felix H in Dolphins who won!



Allergies: Please note some cakes are shop bought and some are homemade and therefore we cannot guarantee that they are nut free.

## Well done to the following children who are in our Gold Book this week!

Year R – Alfie and Marnie      Year 1 – Lily and Jack      Year 2 – Ted and Oscar

Headteacher's Awards

Year R – Marnie

Year 1 – Jacob

Year 2 - Samson



## A treat from FWS!

Thank you to FWS who are funding a Sublime Science visit at school on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April for all of our children in the Jubilee Hall.

**THE HEN  
HOUSE!**



## Are you looking for wraparound care for your child?

At The Hen House, we provide a safe, home-from-home environment where your child can relax, have fun and enjoy creative activities before and after school. Flexible hours and nutritious meals available.

# Wraparound Care for Witley C of E Infant School

## Breakfast Club £8

🕒 7:30am - Start of School (Monday - Friday)

- ✓ Includes a nutritious breakfast
- ✓ A walking bus is available for siblings of Chandler students. We'll walk them to school after breakfast club.

## After-School Club £17

🕒 End of school - 6:00pm (Monday - Friday)

- ✓ A fun, safe environment with engaging activities
- ✓ Optional two-course healthy dinner available for £3.50
- ✓ Stand alone or add-on Crafty Club on Thursday and Friday afternoons £12

Did you know we accept  
Childcare Vouchers and Tax  
Free Childcare payments?



Registration and booking  
essential.

Places are limited.

Email [care@thehen-house.com](mailto:care@thehen-house.com) for more information



## How to register and book for wraparound or holiday camps with The Hen House

As we prepare for the transition to our new online booking system, **MagicBooking**, we want to ensure you have all the resources you need to make the process as smooth as possible.

Here is our link to access the system:  
<https://thehenhouse.magicbooking.co.uk>

### Helpful Documents & Guides

To assist you, we have compiled an essential help document (use the link below), from here you can gain support on **Step-by-Step Guide to Registration & Booking** and how to **Manage Your Account & Child's Details**.

<https://thehen-house.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Magic-Booking-Users-step-by-step-registration-.pdf>

If you need any additional support please email- [care@thehen-house.com](mailto:care@thehen-house.com)

**FWS Upcoming Events**

- 01 April | EASTER EGG HUNT
- 25 April | BREAK THE RULES DAY
- 10 May | WITSTOCK
- 22 May | COLOUR RUN
- 20 June | SPONSORED DANCEATHON
- 29 June | WITLEY V HAMBLEDON CRICKET
- 06 July | SUMMER SOCIAL
- 18 July | LEAVERS DINNER



WITLEY & MILFORD  
PARISH COUNCIL

**SATURDAY 29th MARCH**

COME AND MEET YOUR

**PARISH COUNCILLORS  
and  
LOCAL SURREY POLICE OFFICERS**

**Milford Village Hall  
10am - NOON**

We will also be setting off a

**VILLAGE LITTER PICK**

Litter picking tools and bags will be supplied  
**bring your own gloves**

Join us for a chat and find out more about what we  
do and how we do it.

We always welcome input from local residents.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH CLERK:  
e. [clerk@witley-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@witley-pc.gov.uk) t. 01483 422044

**TRY A CLASS FOR FREE**

**Now showing, CONFIDENCE!**

Drama, dance & singing classes  
designed to help 4-12 year olds shine

**“My son has adored his first term at Perform.  
He has blossomed and I've seen his confidence grow every week.”**

Pippa Wotton

# EASTER FAMILY EVENTS at Haslemere Museum



Museum Explorers  
**Feathered  
Friends  
Drawing**

Tue 8 April  
10.30am-12pm

For ages 5-11 -  
A morning of art for  
Draw a Bird day.



Family event  
**Easter  
Eggcitement**

Thu 10 April  
10.30am-1pm

Easter arts & crafts  
and a garden trail  
with a chocolate  
treat.



Family activity  
**Mini  
Masters**

Tue 15 April  
10.30am-1pm

Be inspired by  
artists and create  
your own art.



Museum Explorers  
**Batty About  
Bats**

Thu 17 April  
10.30am-12pm

5-11s can learn  
about bats and  
make bat arts and  
crafts.

**FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK AT [haslemereuseum.co.uk/whatson](http://haslemereuseum.co.uk/whatson)**

## ADOPT A PANE FOR EASTER

**Find a window pane to adopt during the Easter school holidays and  
receive an Easter chocolate treat to go with it!**

Find out more about our ADOPT A PANE fundraising appeal on the Museum's website.





# ACTIVE NATURE

MON 7TH TO THUR 17TH APR

**DISCOVER  
NATURE AND  
THE GREAT  
OUTDOORS!**

Exploring the  
*wonders of nature*,  
where *curiosity*  
blossoms and  
*adventures* unfold!



## **EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB AT**

Farncombe Infant School, Grays Rd, Farncombe,  
Surrey, GU7 3LT

HOLIDAY CLUBS FOR 4-12 YEAR OLDS | [SCLACTIVE.CO.UK](http://SCLACTIVE.CO.UK) | 0345 644 5747

## SCHOOL CALENDAR - [Witley C of E Infant School](#)

Please also check our 'new calendar' on our website for all school events.

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25
Mon	31.03	Year 2 Class Assembly for Parents at 2.15 pm in Jubilee Hall  Open Classroom for ALL year groups 2.45 – 3.30 pm
Tues	01.04	Easter Service in the JUBILEE HALL at 9.05 am – All parents invited. Please enter via the staff car park door
Weds	02.04	Easter Service at All Saints Church at 2.30 pm. Led by Revd Ann for the children. Parents are welcome
Th	03.04	<del>FWS BARN DANCE 7.30 pm at the CHICHESTER HALL - CANCELLED</del>
Fri	04.04	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH  Sublime Science Workshop – all year groups during the morning (paid for by FWS – thank you!)
		<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2025
Tues	22.04	First Day of term
Sat	26.04	MESSY CHURCH at All Saints
<b>Mon</b>	<b>05.05</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Sat	10.05	WITSTOCK 2025 – Chichester Hall
Weds	14.05	Year 1 Class Assembly in the Jubilee Hall – 9.05 am. Parents invited
Mon	19.05	Week beginning 19 <sup>th</sup> May is 'Walk to School' week. Get your walking shoes on!
<b>Fri</b>	<b>23.05</b>	<b>INSET Day no. 5</b>
		<b>MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025
Mon	02.06	First day of term
Mon	09.06	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (all week)

Mon	16.06	Year R Class Assembly in the Jubilee Hall at 2.15 pm followed by Open Classroom for ALL year groups 2.45 – 3.30 pm
Tues	24.06	Tuesley Farm Trip for Year R (details to follow)
Tues	01.07	Chichester Harbour Trip for Year 1 (details to follow)
Fri	04.07	Sayers Croft Trip for Year 2 (details to follow)  There is no charge for this trip.
Weds	09.07	Sports morning for all year groups starting at 9.05 am and finishing approx. 9.50 am. Parents welcome.
Tues	22.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH
<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 -26</b>
Weds	03.09.25	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Th	04.09	Year 1 and Year 2 return at 8.45 am/EYFS Home visits
Fri	05.09	EYFS Home visits
Mon	08.09	EYFS – all children in until 1.10 pm
Tues	09.09	EYFS – all children in full time until 3.15 pm
Fri	24.10	Last day of term – finish at 3.15 pm
		HALF TERM – 27 October to 31 October
Mon	03.11.25	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carer per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carer per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

