

Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 38 Summer Term

Friday, 11th July 2025



"I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13

Learn, love and flourish together

Our value this term is confidence

This year's attendance is 95.3%

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

End of Year Reports



Pupil end of year reports were sent home this week and we hope you have had a chance to read them.

At this time of year, we also ask families to check the contact details that we hold for your child, i.e. address/emergency contact numbers, medical details and inform us of any changes as soon as possible. Please contact the office if you have any difficulty locating this information or logging on to Arbor.

If you would like to comment on your child's report, give us feedback on the report format or would like to meet and discuss it further, then please contact your class teacher via email.



Sports Day 2025

Congratulations to the Lime Gymnasts who scored the most points at our early morning sports event on Wednesday, in second place came the Red Athletes and third place was the Purple Tennis Players. Well done to all the teams who worked together for the six different activities and our families who joined us to cheer them on.





Godalming Library visit

We recently welcomed Godalming library to our assembly and they told us all about this summer's reading challenge. Why not pop along this summer?



SUMMER EVENTS AT GODALMING LIBRARY

The Staff at Godalming Library are excited to let you know about some of our upcoming events and ongoing activities!



THE SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2025

Announcing the launch of the Summer Reading Challenge in Surrey Libraries on **Saturday 5th July!**

This annual event for 4-11-year-olds is designed to keep children reading for pleasure over the summer when their reading can "dip" if they don't have regular access to books. The Summer Reading Challenge 2025 theme is **Story Garden** and will explore magical connection between storytelling and the great outdoors.

Children need a library card to take part and participation is completely free!

Collect special stickers and rewards including a certificate, bookmark and wristband along the way. The aim is to read up to six books, and children can read whatever they like from Surrey Libraries' excellent range, including eBooks and eAudiobooks!



FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

*Can you find all of the Characters hidden in the library?
Receive a Special sticker if you can and be entered into our prize draw!*

Our popular bunting colouring activity is also back with 6 designs to choose from, can you help us decorate the library?



DESIGN COMPETITION

We are asking you to put your design skills to the test. Can you design the perfect tree house?

Pick up an entry form in the library to take part. The competition is open throughout the summer holidays and closes on Saturday 13rd September!



GAME DESIGN WORKSHOP

Join us on Thursday 31 July, from 2.30pm to 4pm for a games concept workshop to help you think about the story for your perfect game and generate ideas. For ages 8 to 12.

To book a space please email godalming.library@surreycc.gov.uk or visit us in branch.



DROP IN CRAFTS

Join us at 11am on Mondays and Fridays throughout the Summer Holidays for our drop in crafts:

- Friday 25 July - Bugs on a Stick
 - Monday 28 July - Butterflies
 - Friday 1 August - Cress Heads
 - Friday 8 August - Sunflower Fan
 - Monday 11 August - Bugs on a Stick
 - Friday 15 August - Mini Flower Pots and Sticks
 - Monday 18 August - Badge Making
 - Friday 22 August - Ladybird Wristband
 - Friday 29 August - Flowers in a Vase
 - Monday 1 September - Rocking Snail
- For ages 3+, donations welcomed.

GODALMING STAYCATION

Join Godalming Library for a special week of nature activities for the Godalming Staycation!

These include:

- Nature Rhymetimes
- Garden Diorama Craft
- Make a Model Garden Drop in Activity
- Teddy Bear Storytime and Picnic
- Plant Painting Workshop
- Notebook Making Workshop
- Junk Modeling

The Godalming Staycation runs from **Saturday 2nd August to Sunday 10th August.**

Visit the Godalming Town Council Website for the full event programme: www.godalming-tc.gov.uk/staycation



SHAKESPEARE DRAMA WORKSHOP

Do you love drama? Would you like to take part in some family friendly activities? Then join us on Thursday 21st August, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm for our fun family drama workshop based around some well known Shakespeare plays. For ages 8+.

Donations welcomed.

Visit www.tinyurl.com/golibevents for more information on all of our events!

STAYCATION

2nd, 5th, 7th, 9th August | 11am
Under 5's | Donations Welcomed
Nature Rhymetime

Sat 2nd and 9th August | 2:30 – 3:30
4+ | Donations Welcomed
Junk Modelling

Mon 4th August | 10am – 4pm
Donations Welcomed
Make a Model Library Fantasy Garden

Mon 4th August | 4pm – 5pm
2+ | £1 per child | Pre Booking Suggested
Lego and Duplo Club

Tue 5th August | 2.30pm – 3.30pm
5+ | £1 | Pre Book
Create a Garden Diorama Craft

Wed 6th August | 11am – 12noon
2+ | Donations Welcomed
Teddy bear Storytime and Picnic

Wed 6th August | 2:30pm – 3:30pm
5+ | £1 | Pre Book
Plant Painting Workshop

STAYCATION CONTINUED

Thu 7th August | 2:30pm – 4pm
Ages 6+ and Adults | £1 per person
Drop in Notebook Making

Fri 8th August | 11am
Donations Welcomed
Drop in Crafts | Sunflower Fan

ON GOING ACTIVITIES

Treasure Hunt

Bunting Colouring

Treehouse Design Competition

Every Wednesday | 11am
Storytime

Every Mon | 4pm – 5pm
2+ | £1 per child
Lego and Duplo Club

Every Tues, Thurs, Sat | 11am
Rhymetime

SUMMER AT GODALMING LIBRARY



For bookable events please talk to a member of staff at the helpdesk or email us at Godalming.Library@surreycc.gov.uk

For more information on any event talk to a member of staff or look at our website <http://www.tinyurl.com/golibevents>



ACTIVITIES

Wed 23rd July | 2.45pm
Adults and children 6+ | Pre Book
Wildlife Wednesday with What Next?

Thu 24th July | 4pm – 5pm
8 – 10 | Pre Book
Chatterbooks

Fri 25th July | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Bugs on a Stick

Mon 28th July | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Butterflies

Thurs 31st July | 2.30pm – 4pm
8–12 | Donations Welcome | Pre Book
Game Design Workshop

Fri 1st August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Cress Heads

Mon 11th August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Bugs on a Stick

Tue 12th August | 10am – 11am
Adults and children 8+ | Pre Book | £1
Drawing Workshop

Fri 15th August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Mini Flower Pots & Stick

Mon 18th August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Badge Making

Thu 21st August | 3.30pm – 4.30 pm
8+ | Donations Welcomed
Family Shakespeare Drama Workshop

Fri 22nd August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Ladybird Wristband

Sat 23rd August | 10am – 11am
Adults and children 8+ | Pre Book | £1
Drawing Workshop

Wed 27th August | 2.45pm
Adults and children 6+ | Pre Book
Wildlife Walk with What Next?

Fri 29th August | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Flowers in a Vase

Sat 30th August | 2.30pm – 3.30pm
4+ | £1 | Pre Book
Fantasy Toadstool Craft

Mon 1st September | 11am
Donations Welcome
Drop in Crafts | Rocking Snail

Sat 13th September | 2pm | SRC Finale
Moon Garden Storytelling and Mask Making with
Susie Darnton | 3+ | Donations Welcome

Story Garden
Starts 5th July

**READ SIX BOOKS
OVER THE
SUMMER AND
WIN PRIZES AND
A CERTIFICATE!**

THE
READING
AGENCY

Summer Reading Challenge

Sayers Croft

Year 2 enjoyed their day out at Sayers Croft to round off their time at Witley C of E Infant School.

Den building, climbing and team spirit were the order of the day!

Thank you to our parents who joined us!



Medicines

A reminder to parents to collect any medication from the office that we hold for your child, i.e. Calpol, inhalers at the end of term. Please ensure new ones are returned to us at the very start of term in September, thank you.

Return books – It's 'tidy your bedroom' weekend!

Please return all Little Wandle, Reading Spine and Library books before the end of term. We will then distribute a range of sharing books for the holidays to Year R and Year 1.

Interrupted Electricity Supply on Tuesday 15th July

Some of you may be aware that a small area at Church Lane in Witley will be without power on the morning of Tuesday, 15th July. We have spoken to S&SN, who are carrying out the work, and they will be providing the school with a generator to enable us to keep the school open! The children will be having a treat summer picnic lunch on that day.

Finally, a reminder that we have our **Year 2 Leaver's service on Wednesday, 16th July at All Saints Church starting at 2.30 pm.** PLEASE DO NOT arrive too early at the church as our children are involved in their own 'goodbyes' with Revd Amy Webb and her team until 2.25 pm in the church.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Szczepanski and all the staff.

Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Grindy family for this week's brownies

Congratulations to Iris in Penguins 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 – Doug and Charlotte

Year 1 – Lily and Lola

Year 2 – Fiona and Henry

Headteacher's Awards

Year R – Nancy Year 1 – Everyone in Penguins Year 2 – Everyone in Puffins



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

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25
Weds	16.07	Year 2 Leavers Service at All Saints Church 2.30 pm – 3 pm. Parents/carers invited
Tues	22.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 -26
Weds	03.09.25	INSET DAY NO. 1 – 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
Th	02.10	Parent tour 1 – 9.05
Fri	03.10	Parent tour 2 – 9.55
Tues	07.10	Individual photos
Wed	15.10	Parent tour 3 – 9.00
Wed	15.10	Parent tour 4 – 10.00
Fri	17.10	Parent tour 5 – 9.45
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 NO. 2 – SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri	19.12.26	Last Day of term – early finish at 1.05 pm.
Mon	05.01.26	INSET DAY NO. 3 – SCHOOL CLOSED
Th	12.02	Last day of term – finish at 3.15 pm
Fri	13.02	INSET DAY NO. 4 – SCHOOL CLOSED
		HALF TERM – 16 February to 20 February
Mon	23.02	First day of term
Fri	27.03	Last day of term – early finish at 1.05 pm
Mon	13.04	First day of term
Fri	22.05	INSET DAY no. 5 – SCHOOL CLOSED

		HALF TERM – 25 May to 29 May
Wed	22.07	Last day of term



Access and advice to Autism support

Thursday 17th July, 6:30pm - 8pm, Godalming

This session is for parents, carers and wider family members to hear about what is available to support families of Autistic children.

We are able to support pre and post diagnosis.

This session will:

- You will learn about free help available from the Surrey Family Support Service.
- How you can access our support
- Learn more about the Mindworks partnership.
- Signposting to other local supports
- Informal Q&A session for information and advice.

How to attend?

You can just turn up on the night, however if you are able to let us know you are coming it would be helpful for our planning.

If you would like to know more or to tell us your coming please email Amy.dunkley@nas.org.uk

The session will be held at NAS Old Mill, 14 High Street, Godalming, GU7 1ED



JULY

1 Tea & talk GARDEN BIRDS: UP, DOWN & OVER Join Alan Perry, President Emeritus of Sussex Ornithological Society, to learn about the birds in our gardens and exotic species flying over. Tue 14:30 £3 Members free	24 Museum explorers ages 5-11 WIRE INSECTS Join artist Diana Burch to create wire invertebrates inspired by our summer exhibition on insects. Thu 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2
4 Early years activity for under 5s THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR Listen to the tale of one special caterpillar, then explore the gardens and galleries to see if you can find any more caterpillars or butterflies. Fri 10:30-11:30 Child £2.50 Adult £1.50	29 Family event TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC A traditional picnic and mini fete in our beautiful gardens, with games, stalls and more. Bring your teddy. Find out more online. Tue 13:30-16:00 Free entry (book a child's picnic tea £5)
20 Garden concert CONNAUGHT BRASS HHH Concerts presents fine classical music from a top brass quintet ensemble. Both family-friendly and seriously professional. Sun 15:00 Tickets £16 Family discounts	31 Family event PRINTING A morning of printing with artist Diana Burch, inspired by our summer exhibition on invertebrates. Thu 10:30-13:00 Child £4 Member £2 Adult £1

100 YEARS CELEBRATION
Art events are part of our 100 Years Celebration, kindly funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund. Find out more on our website.

Gallery spotlight exhibition
100 YEARS OF THE HASLEMERE FESTIVAL
 13 May-6 September
 Founders of the Haslemere Festival, the Dolmetsch family made significant contributions to early music work, and to Haslemere's cultural heritage.
 Open Tue-Sat 10am-5pm



Exhibition 1 July-6 September
CARVED STORIES:
Treen from the European Peasant Arts Collection
 A century ago, the Museum received a significant collection of European Peasant Art, including woodwork, textiles and ceramics, largely collected by Reverend Gerald Davies, a master at Charterhouse School. This summer, step into history as some of the collection returns to one of the rooms where the objects were exhibited when the Museum opened on the High Street in 1926.
 Open Tue-Sat | 10am-5pm



Find out more and book at haslemere-museum.co.uk/whatson*

AUGUST

4 Special opening for ASC children EARLY BIRDS Special opening for families with children who have an Autism Spectrum Condition to enjoy the Museum free from the general public. Mon 11:00-13:00 By donation Booking essential	12 Museum explorers ages 5-11 LEGO CHALLENGE Join Brilliant Bricks for an exciting morning of Lego linked to our summer exhibition about invertebrates. Tue 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2
5 Museum explorers ages 5-11 INVERTEBRATE DIORAMAS Join us to make a 3D scene inspired by our British invertebrate exhibition. What creatures will you add? Tue 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2	13 Family event CLIMATE DICE STORYTELLING A playful, hands-on workshop. Children use Climate Dice to (RE)imagine and share hopeful stories for a better future on planet Earth. Wed 11:00 £1 Members free
5 Family event MEET THE TORTOISE Meet the tortoise and ask our expert June Chaffield your questions about tortoises. 25-minute sessions to control numbers. Tue 13:30-16:00 £2 per person Booking essential	14 Family event FAMILY LEGO FUN Join Brilliant Bricks for an exciting morning of Lego linked to our summer exhibition of invertebrates. 10:15-11:30 or 12:00-13:15 Thu See above Child £5 Member £3 Adult £1
7 Family event BACKYARD BUG EXPERIENCE An exciting opportunity to meet, handle and experience incredible creatures up close and think how to create habitats to conserve them. Thu 11:00-15:00 £5 per person Member £3	19 Museum explorers ages 5-11 GET BUZZING! Come along and learn about our bees, visit the observation hive and take part in some bee related craft activities. Tue 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2

Family exhibition 1 July-6 September
MARVELLOUS MINIBEASTS
 A family-friendly exhibition full of fun facts about invertebrates, with interactive displays for children.
 Open Tue-Sat | 10am-5pm

or scan here



MORE OVERLEAF

AUGUST continued

19 Family event BUZZY BEES Meet our beekeeper and learn all about bees, then do some bee related artwork. Tue 12:15-15:00 Child £4 Member £2 Adult £1	26 Family event BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLIES See some of the beautiful butterflies from our education collection and make butterfly art. Tue 10:30-13:00 Child £4 Member £2 Adult £1
20 Museum explorers ages 5-11 WOODEN INSECTS Join us for a morning of making wooden insects. Wed 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2	28 Museum explorers ages 5-11 IT'S A BUG'S LIFE Learn about the life cycles of some of our invertebrates and make related arts & crafts. Thu 10:30-12:00 Child £7 Member £5 Adult £2
21 Family event MARVELLOUS MINIBEASTS Join us for a fun filled morning making minibeast related arts and crafts. Thu 10:30-13:00 Child £4 Member £2 Adult £1	BECOME A MEMBER OR FRIEND OF HASLEMERE MUSEUM Visit haslemere-museum.co.uk/support or scan here

SEPTEMBER

2 Tea & talk HASLEMERE DURING WORLD WAR II Local defence measures, the British Restaurant, and raising money for War Weeks Week. Tue 14:30 £3 Members free	19 Early years activity for under 5s SEA SHELLS ON THE SEA SHORE Marvel at the beauty of the shells in our handling collection and make a shell picture. Fri 10:30-11:30 Child £2.50 Adult £1.50
17 Heritage Open Days Festival BUILDING TOUR We are offering building tours to show some of the rarely seen parts of the building. Wed 10:15-11:00 Free Booking essential	Find out more and book at haslemere-museum.co.uk/whatson *If you are unable to book online, please contact the Museum on the telephone number below

HASLEMERE ART SOCIETY ANNUAL EXHIBITION

9-20 September at Haslemere Museum
 The annual Haslemere Art Society exhibition celebrates a vibrant year of creativity, showcasing an inspiring range of styles and mediums. Featuring work from both amateur and professional artists, the exhibition offers a diverse and dynamic collection, reflecting the rich talent and artistic passion within the local community.
 Open Tue-Sat | 10am-5pm



Haslemere Museum 78 High Street, Haslemere GU27 2LA haslemere-museum.co.uk Tel: 01428 642112
 Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-5pm No dogs allowed except assistance dogs
 @haslemere-museum Charity No 1071244 Front cover image: Carved butter stamp from Iceland

WHAT'S ON



July-September 2025
 at Haslemere Museum

