

Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 7 Autumn Term

Friday, 17th October 2025



Learn, love and flourish together
Our value this term is friendship



"Encourage and help each other" - 1 Thessalonians 5v11

Dear Parents/Carers and children

OPAL Play afternoon

Our play afternoon was very well attended last Friday, we hope those of you who joined Kurti, our mentor, for our presentation enjoyed learning about the OPAL ethos and gave you some inspiration.



Bird boxes for Witley School



On Monday, we received x10 birdboxes for our school. These boxes were completely free and built by Tom, a Scottish Borders primary school teacher, from sustainably harvested timber grown and milled in the Highlands of Scotland.



To give you a little background about Tom and the Surrey Primary Schools Birdbox Project, Tom has, over the last few years, been building and delivering birdboxes to primary schools all across Scotland and now England. During that time, he has built and delivered some 9,000 boxes.

The idea is to promote engagement between young people and the wild world around them by putting nature directly into their eyeline at an early age. We'll be putting the boxes up around the school very soon.

REMINDER - Flu vaccinations

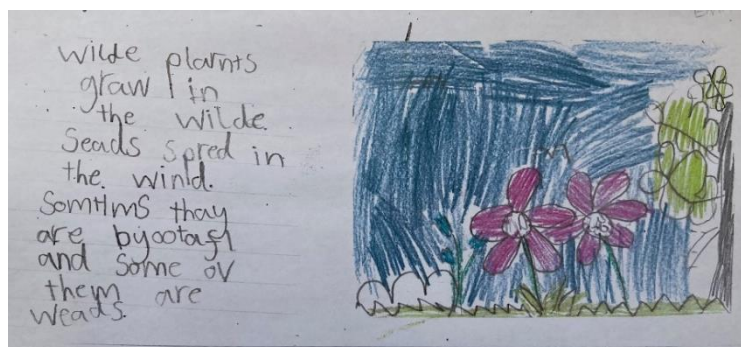
In order for your child to receive this vaccination at school on **Tuesday, 4th November 2025**, please remember to complete the e-consent form by **Wednesday, 29th October 2025**. **This was emailed separately to parents in September giving you a unique Witley School code.**

If parents miss the opportunity to consent, they can complete a consent form from the day following our school visit to receive an automated email which will include a link and booking reference number to enable them to book into one of our community clinics. Parents can either email scfh.contact@hcrqcaregroup.com with any enquiries or alternatively call us on 0300 247 0025, option 3, 9am to 4pm.

May we also remind you that we will be conducting the Height and Weight checks for children in Year R (National Child Measurement Programme-NCMP) during the same visit.

Star Writer

This week's star writer is Emma, in Penguins, who wrote a lovely piece independently about her learning in science this term.



Photograph orders

Please look out for your child's personal photo order form in their book bags!

Are you in Year 2?



The poster is for a Beavers Open Event. It features the Scouts logo and '1st Witley' at the top. The main title is 'BEAVERS OPEN EVENT' in large yellow letters, followed by 'Tuesday 4th November 2025'. Below this, it says 'Aged 6 & 7?' and describes the event as a chance to try something exciting, learn skills, and make new friends. It also asks if anyone can help, emphasizing the need for volunteers. At the bottom, it provides the date, time (17:30 - 18:30), location (1st Witley Scouts, Jubilee Hall, Church Lane, Witley GU8 5PW), and a QR code for registration. The hashtag #SkillsForLife is also mentioned.

Scouts
1st Witley

BEAVERS OPEN EVENT

Tuesday 4th November 2025

Aged 6 & 7?
Tired of dull evenings? Want to try something exciting, learn skills and make new friends?
Come and see what we have to offer!

Can you help?
We can't do it without volunteers!
Whatever time you can spare, whatever skills you can bring to the table. Come along to find out how you can get involved!

Come to our free open event and get a taste of the action!
Join us for challenges, crafts, games, and fun

 Tuesday 4th November 2025
 17:30 - 18:30
 1st Witley Scouts, Jubilee Hall, Church Lane, Witley GU8 5PW
 Register online to let us know you're coming

Join the adventure and learn #SkillsForLife

Witley Scouts are planning to run Beavers on a Tuesday in the Jubilee Hall from January.

Next week Mark Guy, Growth & Recruitment Officer for the Scouts, will be talking to our Year 2 children about a new Beavers group for them in Witley.

See below for a QR code or a link to sign up for the Open Event.

Open event registration form: <https://forms.office.com/e/WzDqLs3Lza>

Schedule of events:

Tuesday 4th Nov	5.30 – 6.30pm	Open Event
Tuesday 11th Nov	7.30-8:30pm	Help make it happen meeting – for parents and potential volunteers
Tuesday 18th Nov	5.30 – 6.30pm	Taster Session 1
Tuesday 25th Nov	5.30 – 6.30pm	Taster Session 2
Tuesday 2nd Dec	5.30 – 6.30pm	Taster Session 3

Sausage Week

Next Friday we have a sausage breakfast organised by FWS, see poster below!

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Szczepanski and all the staff

Celebrate Sausage Week With Us!

BREAKFAST HOTDOGS!

**AVAILABLE FROM 8.15 am
FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER**



**To Celebrate Sausage Week,
We will be selling breakfast hot
dogs in the playground
from 8.15am**

**A selection of Sausages will
be available.**

**Along with Tea and Coffee.
Prebook yours in the link below**



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

Year R – Freddie and Myela

Year 1 – Felix and Charlie Wa

Year 2 – Martha and Finley

Headteacher's Awards

Year R – Ezwa Year 1 – Lottie Year 2 – Finley



Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Marvin family for the scrumptious cake!

Congratulations to Ru who will enjoy taking it home.

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



FWS PRESENTS THE AUTUMN

DISCO Party

24TH OCTOBER
3.15-4.30PM
JUBILEE HALL

TICKETS £7.50 INCLUDE DRINK,
SNACK, GLITTER TATTOO AND
GLOW ACCESSORIES
WITLEY SIBLINGS DISCOUNT £12.50

IF YOU NEED HELP WITH
THE TICKET PRICES PLEASE GET IN
TOUCH AND WE WILL BE
HAPPY TO HELP

PLEASE COMPLETE BOOKING FORM BY
FRIDAY 17TH OCT

FWS Chairs Report 2025

I speak on behalf of the whole new amazing team here at FWS to say we are really looking forward to a year of some really exciting fundraising events.

We are all feeling incredibly enthusiastic and up for organising a fun year of fundraising for our wonderful school.

This year the new team consists of Lucy (chair), Pippa (co-chair), Nikki (secretary), Kate (treasurer) Ginnie, Melissa and Paige.

A big thanks goes out to our amazing predecessors!

I think we can all agree, Jo, Tiff, Sam, Emily and Anna did an incredible job for the last few years and we have some big shoes to fill!

The FWS plays an important role in bringing together parents, carers, and staff to support the school and enhance the experiences of all pupils. Throughout the year, we will organise a variety of events and activities—such as fairs, discos and raffles etc to raise funds and foster a strong sense of community spirit. The money we raise goes directly towards projects and resources that benefit the children, from playground equipment to classroom materials and special enrichment opportunities such as a Christmas entertainer, Christmas presents and Easter egg hunts.

We will continue to work closely with the school's leadership team to ensure that funds are used where they will have the most impact and help to enrich the learning experience for all pupils.

We encourage every parent and guardian to get involved attending events, volunteering or simply sharing ideas.

If you do have any ideas or suggestions, please do get in touch.

We have some great fundraisers up and running, with more coming up soon.

The cake raffle is in full swing and showing off some incredible culinary skills!

Our Autumn Disco is happening at the end of term.

Heading into November and December we have pottery painting, wreath making and our Christmas fair to look forward to.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our school community. We look forward to a wonderful year ahead, filled with learning, collaboration, and fun!

Lucy Rojek

Friends of Witley School PTA

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THE HEN HOUSE!
FAMILY CLUB

WE ARE HIRING!

Wraparound Care Supervisor

- To work from 7.30am-8.45am and again at 2.30-6.15pm, Mon-Fri during term time in our before and after school clubs. Location - Bramley, Surrey. Additional hours during holidays also available.
- Ideally Level 3 Childcare qualified or above.
- This job would suit ex-teachers, TAs, nursery managers/deputy managers or holiday camp supervisors.
- All training provided.
- Start date: As soon as possible

Send your CV to: childcare@thehen-house.com



THE HEN HOUSE!

Discover culinary skills every Friday afternoon!

Join Our Fun Cookery Club at Witley Infants

Every Friday- starts after October Half term £17 3pm-6pm
BOOK NOW - PLACES LIMITED

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EMAIL - CARE@THEHEN-HOUSE.COM
WWW.THEHEN-HOUSE.COM




Friends Of Witley School

BINGO

SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2-4PM

FWS invite you and your families to enjoy a fun afternoon of Bingo, Friends and Exciting Prizes!
Full Bar and snacks available
£10 for Two Bingo Cards

Please let us know if you are interested



Do you like singing?

enjoy games, activities, learning songs?

are you in years 2,3,4 or 5?

COME AND JOIN

CHOIR CLUB!

All Saints Church, Witley, GU8 5PN

3.30pm to 4.30pm Fridays

CONTACT US TO BOOK YOUR PLACE

01428 681872
office@allsaintswitley.org.uk



Reduce the spread of illnesses this winter

As winter approaches, schools face rising illness-related absences. While some are unavoidable, many can be reduced through simple, proactive measures that minimise the spread of infections.

Please refer parents to NHS [guidance](#) to know when a child is too ill for school. Pupils shouldn't miss school on a precautionary basis and can normally attend with a mild cough or cold, unless they have a fever or diarrhoea or vomiting.

MILFORD & WITLEY FIREWORKS DISPLAY 2025



Poster design by Daisy B 3A

The Milford & Witley Fireworks will once again light up the sky over The Chandler playing fields on **Thursday 6th November 2025**

6.00pm - Gates Open - where possible please walk to ease traffic congestion

6.45pm - Low Bang Display - with a focus on colour and visual spectacle

7.30pm - Traditional Display with bangs ooooooh's and ahhhh's!

BBQ & refreshments will be available

Tickets:

Available online at: www.pta-events.com/chandlerjunior

Or using the QR code



£6 in advance / £7 on the gate—Adult (over 16)

£4—Child (2 and over - must be accompanied by an adult - under 2's free)

Please - No sparklers

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**INTRODUCTION
TO NETBALL**

SKILLS WORKSHOP

Waverley
VIPERS
Netball
Club



ALDRO
FREEDOM TO FLOURISH

TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER, 4 - 5PM

FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 2 AND 3

RSVP TO SECURE YOUR PLACE



Wednesday, 22nd October 2025

Harvest Festival at 2.40 pm in the Jubilee Hall

All parents welcome, please enter the hall via the staff car park

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 -26
SAT	18.10	FWS BINGO in the Jubilee Hall 2 – 4 pm
Tues	21.10	Prospective Parent 2026 tour 6 – 9.05 am
Weds	22.10	Harvest Festival – whole school – parents welcome 2.40 pm Jubilee Hall
Fri	24.10	FWS – Sausage breakfast in the playground from 8.15 am
Fri	24.10	Last day of term – finish at 3.15 pm
Fri	24.10	FWS Autumn School Disco after school (see poster in newsletter)
		HALF TERM – 27 October to 31 October
Mon	03.11	INSET DAY NO. 2 – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues	04.11	Flu vaccines and Year R height and weight check
Weds	05.11	Prospective Parent 2026 tour 7 – 9.05 am
Fri	07.11	FWS POTTERY PAINTING FUNDRAISER
Mon	17.11	FWS – Bring your loose change in week through to Thurs, 27 th Nov
Thurs	20.11	FWS – Bring a bottle for our Christmas Fair NON-UNIFORM DAY
Tues	25.11	FWS - Wreath making fundraiser
Thurs	27.11	FWS – Bring a small gift for ELFRIDGES NON-UNIFORM DAY
Fri	28.11	Christmas tree arrives!
Fri	05.12	Prospective Parent 2026 tour 8 – 11.00 am
SUN	07.12	FWS CHRISTMAS FAIR
Fri	19.12	Last Day of term – early finish at 1.05 pm.
Mon	05.01.26	INSET DAY NO. 3 – SCHOOL CLOSED
Fri	09.01.26	Prospective Parent 2026 tour 9 – 9.40 am
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