



# newsletter

**Week ending**  
11<sup>th</sup> July 2025

## Our Vision Statement 'Learning for Life'



Wow, wow, wow! The week started with our adorable Hedgehog's class assembly. They shone, sharing all of their talents and skills with us – such a talented and confident class!

Then Year 6 blew us away with their performances of High School Musical. It really was a spectacular show with great audiences both nights. Thank you to the PTA who sold refreshments – they were definitely needed in this heat and thank you to everyone who bought tickets! Amazing Performance by a super Year 6!

In their own free time, a couple of my Environmental Leaders, Riley and Rohaan built our new Hedgehog house! Thank you, boys, what a great job!



Congratulations also go to our young entrepreneurs from Year 6, who came up with a fundraising idea of making and selling crochet gifts. They organised and ran the event themselves and raised over £24 for the school!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

From Mrs Chambers

## **HSLW**

In this week's [HSLW weekly bulletin](#), you will find information on the following:

- Places where kids eat for free (or for £1) this summer
- Families Online magazine
- Neurodiversity advice for parents/carers

There is also a fun family activity to try at home and a recipe idea.

## **Wonderverse Winner**

After celebrating all of our children that were published in the Wonderverse poetry book, we received even more good news today!

Charlotte S, in Year 5, has been chosen as a highly commended winner in the Wonderverse competition!

Her entry was one of 5 winners chosen as highly commended from over 23,000 entries, so it's an incredible achievement!

Well done Charlotte! We are all really proud of you and they are sending over your prize!

I can't wait for more of our pupils to enter in next year's competition!

## **Reminder**

We break up for the end of the academic year at 1.05pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Summer Reading Challenge**

Surrey have an exciting Summer Reading Challenge to engage children in reading over the summer holidays.

All you have to do is:

1. Become a member of your local library.
2. Read 6 books between the 5<sup>th</sup> July and the 13<sup>th</sup> September.

You can also take part and learn more about it on the website below:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Reading is such a fantastic and fun way to keep your brain ticking along over the holiday! Byfleet Community Library have already been in touch and are excited to welcome any existing or new member. We can't wait to hear who completes the challenge!

## **Summer Book Writing Festival 2025**

We have signed up for the Summer Book Writing Festival led by Bri Books. This is a unique opportunity for children to write, illustrate and publish their very own books – unlocking creativity and building confidence through story telling. It is free and open to student age 8-16 years!

Below is the Student Sign-Up link:

<https://www.camp.bribooks.com//events/student/signup/sc-uk-2025?sid=171421>

Children have between the 20<sup>th</sup> July to the August 24<sup>th</sup> to participate.

Please see links below for more information!

[Letter from Miss Simmons](#)

[Student Writing Book Brochure](#)

[Summer Book Writing Festival](#)





## Star of the Week



<b>Moles</b>	Astrid “for imaginative ideas when making her treasure map.” Nevaeh “for good listening to stories on the carpet.”
<b>Hedgehogs</b>	Autumn “for her amazing singing in our assembly.”
<b>Rabbits</b>	Parker “for being a fabulous St. Mary’s learner.”
<b>Cheetahs</b>	Layla “for being a fantastic role model and always displaying the St Mary’s values,”
<b>Panthers</b>	Elsie “for being a really reflective learner and always trying to improve your work.”
<b>Lions</b>	Ada “for being a fantastic St Mary’s Learner all year – a wonderful role model!”
<b>Tigers</b>	Rachel “for always presenting her work so beautifully with fantastic handwriting.”
<b>Polar Bears</b>	Grace H “for working hard during carpet sessions to take on the key learning, especially when practising our text map.”
<b>Pandas</b>	Kacper “for using all the features in his non-chronological report about dragons.”
<b>Elephants</b>	Romilly “for her lovely collage in Art!”
<b>Hippos</b>	Aston “For excellent, imaginative writing in English lessons and for settling in so well to St Mary’s. We are lucky to have you!”
<b>Kangaroos</b>	Zoe “for her attitude in PE – even when it was so hot!”
<b>Giraffes</b>	Olivia “showing great determination and perseverance in PE when doing the triple jump!”
<b>Lemurs</b>	Jake “for putting 100% in to the production and showing your growing confidence in every aspect of school!”
<b>Chimps</b>	Evie “for brilliant, enthusiastic and committed performances as Sharpay!”

### Times Table Rock Stars

Leonie - Polar Bears

Teddie - Hippos

Ida - Elephants

Penny - Kangaroos

## Dates for your Diary

(New dates/events/changes shown in bold)

16.07.2025	Year 6 Leavers Day/BBQ
18.07.2025	Year 6 Leavers Service
18.07.2025	End of term – 1.05pm
19.07.2025	Byfleet Parish Day
03.09.2025	INSET Day
04.09.2025	INSET Day
05.09.2025	Start of Autumn Term
08.09.2025	Nursery - Start of Autumn Term
<b>09.09.2025</b>	<b>Yr 6 Parent Meeting 8.40am HALL</b>
15-19.09.2025	Yr 6 Residential
24.09.2025	PTA Meeting, Sure Start Centre – 6pm
26.09.2025	Open Classrooms 3.10pm
01.10.2025	Individual Photographs
w/c 06.10.2025	Year 6 Bikeability
09.10.2025	Butser Farm Trip – Yr 3
14.10.2025	Look Out Discovery Centre Trip– Yr 2
15.10.2025	Winchester Science Centre – Yr 5
24.10.2025	INSET Day
w/c 27.10.2025	Half Term
03.11.2025	Young Shakespeare Workshop – Yr 6
04.11.2025	Snow White Panto – Whole school
05.11.2025	Firework display – PTA