



Clarendon Primary School Newsletter

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www.clarendon.surrey.sch.uk

2025/26 Term Dates

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/term-dates>

INSET dates, children
are not expected to
attend school on these
days;

Wednesday 22nd July
2026

Diary Dates

New dates added in red

Date	Event
Monday 13 th July	Year 6 Wildwood Trip
Tuesday 14 th July	Rocksteady Concert
Wednesday 15 th July	Move up morning
Wednesday 15 th July	Celebration Afternoon – see below
Monday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers Show
Monday 20 th July	Year 6 PTA Pizza Treat
Tuesday 21st July	LAST DAY of TERM – School Closes at 2pm
Wednesday 22 nd July	INSET DAY – School CLOSED for pupils

Weekly Update

As we approach the last full week of this academic year, we still have lots happening in school before we bring the year to a close.

Celebration Afternoon

On Wednesday, teachers are looking forward to meeting their new classes. That afternoon, there is also an opportunity for parents to come into school and look at the children's work from this year and meet the new class teacher. Celebration afternoon will kick off with a choir performance in the hall at 3.15pm – 3.30pm and the rest of the school will be open from 3.30pm for parents to visit classrooms.

Reading Books

As we come to the end of the school year, we'd be really grateful if families could have a good look around at home for any school reading scheme books and library books that may have found their way onto bookshelves, into bedrooms, or under beds! Please send any books back to school by Wednesday 15th July so that we can keep our records up to date and get everything organised for next year. Thank you for your help and support.

Sky Trip - Year 6

On Monday 29th June, Year 6 visited Sky's headquarters in Isleworth to create a news report. Before starting our report, we met the team who would be leading our session and learned about the range of careers involved in producing news and media content. We also were shown a replica Formula 1 car, given a demonstration of Sky Glass and caught a glimpse of the studio where Sky News was being filmed.

After that, we were taken to the building where Sky Sports News is produced and shown to our designated studios. The class were divided into four groups and tasked with creating a news report on their chosen theme: the impact of artificial intelligence on the environment. Each pupil took on a specific role, such as editor, reporter, interviewee, producer or scriptwriter, allowing everyone to contribute to the final production. Those appearing on camera even had the opportunity to dress up which caused great amusement!

With just under an hour to complete the task, each group worked collaboratively using the research they had completed at school to write and film their report. Once filming was complete, the individual clips were edited and combined to create a very professional-looking news broadcast.

While we waited for the report to be ready, we enjoyed a behind-the-scenes tour of the Sky Sports News studio. Our guide explained the technology used in broadcasting and encouraged pupils to think about future careers in media, journalism and technology. Finally, we watched our completed news report. It was both informative and engaging, showcasing the pupils' teamwork, creativity and understanding of a topical issue. The day was a memorable experience and I am sure one they will talk about in years to come.



Ashford Hospital Trip - Year 6 Group

On Thursday, a small group of Year 6 children had the opportunity to visit Ashford Hospital and see behind the scenes with their mentors Jason and Leanna. The children enjoyed lunch with their mentors before spending time learning how to complete basic CPR and exploring the simulated resuscitation dolls the hospital have. After this, we headed to the operating theatres and the children thoroughly enjoyed have their blood pressure, lung capacity, heart rate and brainwaves all tested. There were some interesting results! The doctors and nurses then talked to the children about the importance of having an active lifestyle and balanced diet to keep ourselves healthy and not put our bodies at risk of future health problems.

A big thank you to our mentors (and school governors), Jason and Leanna, for organising such a fun experience.



PTA News

What's left to come before Summer?

- End of term Treasure Hunt for children
- Launch of our sponsored Summer Readathon
- A bar service will be running for the Leavers' Assembly
- A visit from Sam's Ice Creams on Monday 20 July in the playground after school (with a % of his sales coming straight to the school)

If you have any suggestions or feedback, please do get in touch - we'd love to hear from you.

Thank you,

Clarendon Primary School PTA

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Attendance Reminder

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:

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.

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.

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 Head teacher.

Weekly Attendance - Week ending 3rd July 2026

1st Place – Year 3 with 99.3%

2nd Place – Year 6 with 95.7%

3rd Place – Year 2 with 94.5%

Reading Raffle - Friday 10th July 2026

The Winning Class with the greatest number of children being entered into the draw was Year R.

The lucky winners were;

1. Nikita N – Y3

2. Anaya B – Y2
3. Frankie O – Y5

They all won a choice of reading book...well done to them and to everyone who was awarded a raffle ticket this week.

Weekly Achievers - 26th June 2026

Class	Names
Year R	School Trip
Year 1	The whole class
Year 2	Harleen K & Sanvika S
Year 3	Fletcher H & Joshua S
Year 4	Francois EF & Aimee H
Year 5	Ibrahim K & Ibrahim S
Year 6	Millie C & Brian P

Community News

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NEARLY NEW SALE

Sell preloved maternity, baby and items for children age 0 to 11+ including clothes, toys, books and much more

Seller registration £3 for 100 items
£3 per additional 100 items
Register to sell at linktr.ee/nctsae

Sunday 15th November 2026
2pm - 3.30pm
The Echelford Primary School, Ashford

Sponsored by:  **STAINES PREPARATORY SCHOOL**
Educating today's children for the challenges of tomorrow

 **The Matthew Arnold School**
Open Events

OPEN EVENING
TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER
5.30PM - 8.00PM
HEADTEACHER TALKS:
6.00PM AND 7.00PM

OPEN MORNINGS
7, 8, 9, 12, 13 OCTOBER
9.00AM - 10.00AM
BOOK VIA OUR WEBSITE




 www.matthew-arnold.surrey.sch.uk
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SHIPWRECKED
a holiday club in Jonah

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB
Mon 27th - Thurs 30th July 2026
10:00am-12:30pm
£25 for the four days
Games, craft and Bible stories
for Reception to Year 6
Sign up online
<https://ashfordbaptistchurch.churchsuite.com/events/fohkpcv>
Places are limited so don't delay
at Ashford Baptist Church,
Church Road, Ashford TW15 2TT

Ashford Baptist CHURCH

MEET THE ROMANS!

In support of the Festival of British Archaeology



A Family Activity Day

dress as a Roman soldier,
follow the teddy trail,
artefact handling,
play Roman games,
make a mosaic,
design jewellery,
and more!



Hosted by Spelthorne Museum
Staines Library Hub
18th July 2026
11am to 3.30pm
Admission Free



Picnic in the Park

Bring your own picnic
Entry £2 per adult, £1 per child



Staines Park
Tuesday 28th July
11am-2pm

Games
Train Rides
Refreshments
Toy Sale
Football



Homemade Cakes
Crafts courtesy of



No booking required. Entry fee includes a drink, a cake or piece of fruit and one ride on the train (before 1pm).
All activities are subject to availability and weather dependent - check our website for updates.
All proceeds to Home-Start Spelthorne Charity Number 1160026

Parents Supporting Parents

By volunteering just a few hours each week you can transform the lives of young children and their parents in your community.



As a Home-Start volunteer you could make a BIG difference to a local family

If you are a parent, a carer, or maybe a grandparent, you know just how tough family life can be at times. And we know it too. Our volunteers, who have parenting experience, help families with all sorts of problems, from the everyday to the overwhelming. Problems such as:

- Loneliness and isolation
- Relationship difficulties
- Multiple children under 5
- Ill health, disability or special needs
- Lone parenting
- Coping with bereavement
- Mental health
- Children's behaviour



**Our next training course starts Tuesday
15th September, enquire today!**



Contact for more info
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What do volunteers actually do?

Our volunteers will usually visit a parent in their home once a week for a couple of hours. How they help is really down to the needs of the family. Some might need a sympathetic ear, a shoulder to cry on, someone to have a laugh with. Others may need help keeping appointments or accessing local services and connecting with their local community. Our volunteers can provide an extra pair of hands to help people cope with everyday parenting situations, or practical help with activities like playing or reading stories. Home-Start's approach is very personal and friendly and this often reassures parents that what they're going through is not unusual, that they are not alone.

I've loved my time with Home-Start since the first day on the course. The team are so welcoming and help provide all the relevant info. Working with families has been so rewarding. Seeing parents and children grow in confidence with a little help with signposting or getting to know the area if they are new is so lovely to be a part of.

Feedback from a home-visiting volunteer



"My volunteer's kindness and support made me feel less alone, more confident and allowed me to be able to care for my children. I am truly grateful for the help I received, it had a positive impact on me and my children."

Feedback from a supported parent

Contact us to find out more!
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