



Clarendon Primary School Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2026

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2026/27 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;

Tuesday 1st September
Wednesday 2nd September
Monday 26th July
Tuesday 27th July
Wednesday 28th July

Diary Dates

New dates added in red

Date	Event
Thursday 1 st October	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon (see below)
w/c Monday 5 th October	Harvest Festival – Donations for Manna Foodbank
Wednesday 7 th October	Year 3 Chiltern Open Air Museum Visit
Wednesday 7 th October	PTA School Disco
Thursday 8 th October	Harvest Festival Assembly (in school)
Tuesday 13 th October	Guide Dog Visiting School
Thursday 15 th October	Year 1 Toy Workshop – AM
Thursday 15 th October	Year 4 Roman Workshop – PM
19 th Oct – 30 th Oct	2-WEEK OCTOBER HALF TERM

Weekly Update

New Cabin Space

If you have visited the main playground this week, you will no doubt have spotted our fantastic new cabin, which was installed earlier this week. This exciting new addition will provide a dedicated sensory space for our children, while the other section will serve as a versatile area for interventions, meetings and small group activities. Although there is still some finishing work to be completed over the coming weeks, we are already looking forward to an official grand opening later this term.

We would like to extend a huge thank you to the PTA and, in particular, to Catherine Bellamy and Louiza Frazer, who have worked tirelessly to secure grants that have funded a significant proportion of this project. We are also incredibly grateful to all of our families for their continued support of PTA events throughout the year, as your generosity has played a vital role in making this exciting development possible. Please do continue to support the PTA whenever you can, as their hard work makes a real difference to the opportunities and facilities we are able to provide for our children.

Look out for more updates as the project is completed over the coming weeks.



Macmillan Coffee Afternoon



On **Thursday 1st October at 2.30pm**, we warmly invite parents and carers to join us in the school hall for our **Macmillan Coffee Afternoon**.

Macmillan Cancer Support is a charity that is close to many of our hearts and one that has provided invaluable support to many families within our school community during some of life's most challenging times. We would love you to join us for a cup of tea, a slice of cake while raising money for this wonderful cause. Every donation, big or small, will help Macmillan continue to provide vital support to those affected by cancer. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please bring any cake donations to the school office on Thursday morning. If you are donating homemade cakes please remember that all ingredients must be listed.

Surrey Youth Arts & Culture Festival

Last week, we were delighted to welcome Cat from Surrey Hills Arts, who visited us to tell the children about the Surrey Youth Arts & Culture Festival taking place at Staines Library tomorrow (26th September).

Cat shared details of the exciting programme of activities on offer, including sound labs, coding workshops, film-making sessions, textile printmaking, DJ workshops, and live performances from dance groups, poets, and many more talented artists.

The children were truly inspired by what they heard and were excited by the wide range of creative opportunities available. If you are looking for something to do this weekend, this promises to be a fantastic event for young people and families to enjoy, and best of all, it is completely free of charge! Some activities do require pre-booking at www.surreycc.gov.uk/youthfestival

A poster for the Surrey Youth Arts & Culture Festival. It features the text 'SURREY YOUTH ARTS & CULTURE FESTIVAL' in large, bold, white letters on a dark blue background. Below this, it says 'FREE event' in white on an orange background, 'Staines Library Hub' in white on a dark blue background, and '26 September 11am - 3pm' in white on a dark blue background. At the bottom, it asks 'ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE ARTS AND THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES?' in large, bold, white letters. Below this, it says 'For more information scan the QR code or visit surreycc.gov.uk/youthfestival' in white. There is a QR code on the right side. The Surrey County Council logo is in the top right corner.

PTA News

After School Treat Sale

Please come along and support the Y2 parents and carers running today's sale. There are lots of delicious treats for sale from 3:10pm on the playground.

Clarendon Highland cow winner

Well done to our winner who correctly guessed the name of the highland cow, Hairy Potter. Hairy will be off to his new home this weekend. Thank you to everyone who took part - **we raised a massive £79** which was just shy of our target. Special thanks to the Gatfield family for donating the toy to the PTA also.

Little Recyclers clothing donations

Thanks again to everyone who brought in their unwanted items last week. The PTA was paid £30 for the donations received and we'll be running another collection after Christmas.

Autumn Term disco

Tickets are on sale now. Please do come along and join us for a fun afternoon of dancing and entertainment. This is always a fun event that the children really enjoy, and we always welcome parents of younger children to stay for the event if they want to.

Buy tickets online: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/autumn-disco-4>



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SAVE the DATE!

☆ AUTUMN TERM DISCO ☆

WITH
DJ
MR M EVENTS

WEDNESDAY
7 OCTOBER

Tickets cost £6:50 and include a free snack.
KS1 starts 5pm - 6pm
KS2 start 6:15 - 7:30pm
Volunteers are welcome. Please get in touch.

Shop now

QR code for tickets

You're invited! Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Place: Clarendon School Hall
Date: Thurs 1 October, 2026
Time: 2:30pm - 3:30pm
Contact: Mrs Bonner / Louiza PTA

Please join us for teas
& coffees in the hall
courtesy of the PTA.

There will be a
selection of sweet
treats available for a
donation to Macmillan
Cancer Support.

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Macmillan Cancer Support is a registered charity in England and Wales (113171), Scotland
(264000) and the Republic of Ireland. All donations to Macmillan Cancer Support are tax deductible.



**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Please join us in the School Hall next Thursday before pick up for a hot drink and some delicious cakes. We will be collecting donations on behalf of Macmillan Cancer Support. Everyone is welcome.

Weekly Achievers - 18th September 2026

Class	Names
Year R	Shorouq A
Year 1	Isaac P & Sivgun C
Year 2	Dexter O & Victoria V
Year 3	Sebastian L & Imaya EF
Year 4	Joshua S & Chay C
Year 5	Ethan F, Dolly-Ann M
Year 6	Aisha A & Aleena C

Weekly Attendance - Week ending 18th September 2026

1st Place – Year 5 with 97.2%

2nd Place – Year 6 with 96.6%

3rd Place – Year 4 with 96.2%

Reading Raffle - Friday 25th September 2026

The Winning Class with the greatest number of children being entered into the draw was Year 5.
The lucky winners were;

1. Sarah M – YR
2. Komiel B – Y4
3. Ronnie W – Y2

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

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.

Community News

Job Title: Family Support Coordinator

Salary: £17,319.32 incl. Fringe Allowance (FTE £30,515)

Hours: 21 hours per week

Location: Staines-upon-Thames, Surrey

Closing Date: Wednesday 29th September 2026 at 5pm

Interviews: week commencing 5th of October 2026

Registered Charity no. 1160026 www.home-startspelthorne.org



About Home-Start Spelthorne

Home-Start Spelthorne is a local charity supporting families with young children through challenging times. We believe that every child deserves the best possible start in life. Our trained volunteers provide compassionate, confidential and practical support to local families in their own homes, helping parents build confidence and overcome the challenges they may be facing.

About the role We are looking for an enthusiastic and caring **Family Support Coordinator** to join our small, friendly team based in Staines

You will:

- Manage a caseload of families, providing support and ensuring that their needs are appropriately assessed and reviewed.
- Recruit, train, support and supervise Home-Start volunteers.
- Match volunteers with families and provide ongoing supervision and guidance.
- Facilitate parenting and family support groups.
- Work with local organisations and professionals.
- Contribute to raising awareness of our services within the local community.
- Support the charity's fundraising and community activities.
- Maintain accurate records and contribute to monitoring and evaluation of our services.

About you

We are looking for someone who:

- Has good IT skills, including confidence using Microsoft Office and databases.
- Understands the experiences and challenges faced by parents and families with young children.
- Has a good understanding of safeguarding, confidentiality and professional boundaries.
- Can work independently, use their own initiative and manage a varied workload.
- Has excellent interpersonal and communication skills and is confident working with a wide range of people, both on a one-to-one basis and in groups.
- Can build positive relationships with families, volunteers and professionals.
- Has access to their own car and can travel to visit families across Spelthorne.
- Is willing to work occasional evenings or weekends when required.
- Relevant professional training and experience of delivering training would be an advantage.

What we offer

- A supportive and friendly working environment.
- The opportunity to make a real difference to local children and families.
- Flexible working.
- Pension scheme.
- Ongoing training and development.
- Community-focused charity.

How to Apply

If you want to make a real difference in your community and have a passion for helping families when they need it most, we would love to hear from you!

Contact info@home-startspelthorne.org or call 01784 463200 to request an application pack.

Home-Start Spelthorne is committed to equality, diversity, and inclusion. We follow safer recruitment practice as an important part of safeguarding and protecting children and vulnerable adults. An offer of employment will be subject to satisfactory DBS and reference checks.

Job Title: Compliance Officer

Salary: £18,445.95 to £19,013.51 pa. including fringe allowance
(FTE £32.5k to £33.5k)

Hours: 21 hours per week (Flexible working pattern, required in the Staines office on Monday's)

Location: Staines-upon-Thames, Surrey

Closing Date: Wednesday 29th September 2026, at 5pm

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**Make a Real Difference in Your Community**

At Home-Start Spelthorne, we believe every child deserves the best possible start in life. We support local families through compassionate, confidential, and practical home-visiting services powered by our dedicated volunteers. To ensure our operations continue to meet effective, proportionate and well-maintained systems of safety, quality, and charity governance, we are looking for an organised and detail-oriented individual to join our friendly team to take on a hands-on role in our small charity.

You will play a crucial role in supporting the Manager and Trustees in maintaining effective compliance arrangements for regulatory compliance, policy frameworks, and ensure our operations align with Home-Start UK Quality Standards and statutory requirements.

Key responsibilities:

- **Safeguarding & Governance:** Monitor and maintain robust safeguarding protocols, safer recruitment processes, and quality assurance frameworks.
- **Data Protection:** Support the management of GDPR compliance, secure record-keeping systems, and policy implementation.
- **Auditing & Risk Management:** Carry out regular checks of compliance records, policies and procedures, identify gaps and support the Manager in addressing them.
- **Policy Review:** Maintain a programme of policy reviews and ensure policies are reviewed and updated when required. Support the implementation of policies to all members of Home-Start Spelthorne.
- **Support & Reporting:** Deliver updates to the Manager and Board of Trustees. Manage governance documents, set up meetings and support the manager with trustee onboarding.

What we are looking for:

- Experience in compliance, policy administration, risk management, governance or a similar role.
- Excellent attention to detail and strong organisational and record-keeping skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Is confident using IT systems, including Microsoft 365 and databases.
- Can work independently, manage priorities and meet deadlines.
- Is comfortable handling confidential and sensitive information.
- Is willing to learn and develop their knowledge of Home-Start and the requirements of a small charity.

What we offer: A supportive, purpose-driven working environment where your contributions directly support local children and families. The opportunity to develop your skills and experience within a small, community-focused charity with flexible working, a pension scheme and opportunities for ongoing training & development.

How to apply

If you have a keen eye for compliance and a passion for community impact, we would love to hear from you! **Contact** info@home-startspelthorne.org or call 01784 463200 to request an application pack.

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15 September 2025

Dear homeowner or occupier,

REF: MM26-27-358-037

As part of Surrey County Council's commitment to improving roads and pavements, Church Road, Ashford has been selected for carriageway resurfacing.

Works will take place from Friday 25 September to Saturday 10 October 2025 – 8pm to 6am – weeknights only.

A road closure will be in place from outside St James Senior Boys School to the junction with Fordbridge Road.

We will make sure you can get to and from your house or business when it is safe to do so. Please talk to a member of our staff on site if you need help – they are keen to deliver the work with minimal disruption to you.

It is essential to keep the road free from parked vehicles to enable the work to proceed as planned. The work is weather dependant and can be delayed by bad weather or other factors. Please look at our information boards on site or visit the website one.network for the latest information.

Working overnight is necessary on traffic sensitive roads to reduce disruption during peak times. It also enables longer uninterrupted working before the closure is lifted for daytime traffic, and results in a shorter period of traffic congestion. There will be some noise, but we will try to carry out the bulk of the noisiest works before midnight.

We thank you for your patience while we carry out these works and apologise for any inconvenience caused.