

21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

Dear Parents,

Just like that, the first half term of the year is over and what a packed seven weeks it has been.

I highly recommend spending a few minutes browsing the Class Pages [here](#) to reflect on the amazing learning the children have been engaged in.

From gymnastics and cave art to deep discussion about our topics through the use of Big Questions such as, 'should people in power always be respected?' It has been a great start to the year and there are lovely pictures on the pages to prompt the children to tell you all about it.

Mr Hawtin, our Sports Coach has also been very busy. This week alone we have had a football tournament and a netball one too.



### PE AND SPORT

Thank you to our PE team who arrange the fixtures and to all the parents who help out by giving lifts to events, being on hand to help or just being there to support. It means so much to us all.

Thank you too to those of you who come in regularly to support with reading, Forest School and Cross Country.

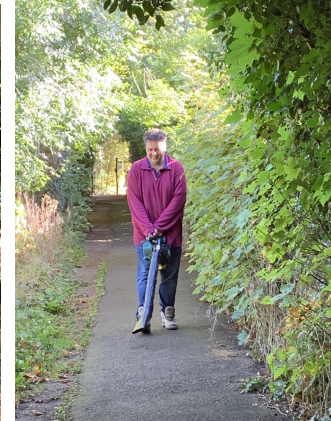
When I show prospective parents around our schools, I always describe us as being at the heart of the community and talk about the key role our families play in the daily life of our school. The number of volunteers, staff and clubs who are school parents is testament to this statement.

### TRAFFIC AND PARKING

One of the challenges for any school is the parking at drop off and pick up times. I know many of our families walk and children scoot/ cycle to school and I would encourage this to continue however, as the winter progresses the number reduces somewhat. This puts a strain on the available parking and the traffic around the schools. Our neighbours are extremely tolerant of all the comings and goings however, occasionally they ask us to politely remind our parents to leave their driveways clear when parking. This is a good opportunity for us to remind everyone to take care when driving along the narrow roads in the village and dropping off at school, especially in the darker mornings when rushing to work ourselves.

## TLC DAYS

The recent TLC Days were another amazing demonstration of the support we get from our school community. The major task was to clear the Adventure Playground of old bark in readiness for repairs. This was a huge job and took teams of parents and children but it was completed, and work is now underway. Not only did the crowds of parents and children make a significant impact on the school grounds and facilities but, with copious amounts of hot dogs, chocolate biscuits, cups of tea and beautiful sunshine both days, we all had a great time in the process.



## EVENTS

This week saw the first face-to-face Parent Consultations since October 2019 and it was wonderful to see everyone back in school, finding their way around, often for the first time, looking at classrooms and books and talking, albeit very quickly, to the teachers. There are so many lovely opportunities for us to get together again in the coming half term and I don't want anyone to miss the events we have lined up so, I have added a table of key events below. Please also check the school [calendar](#) for any other key dates in the term and year ahead - I have and it looks packed!

I wish you all a lovely half term and look forward to seeing all the children back again on TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2022.

Kind regards

*Elaine L Hughes*

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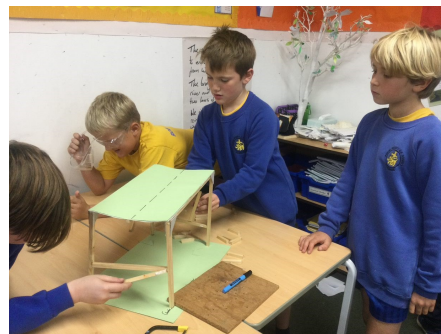
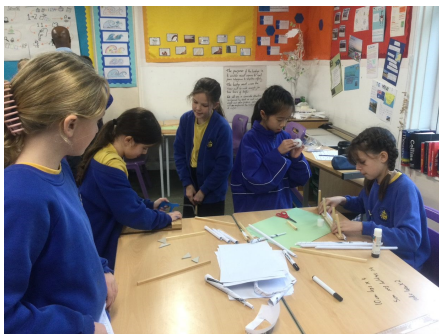
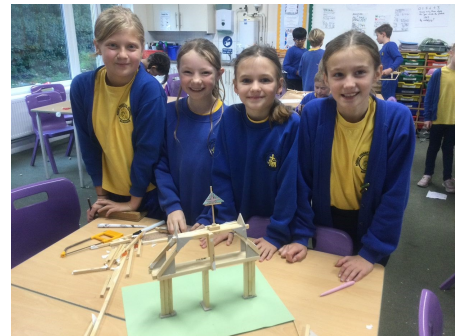
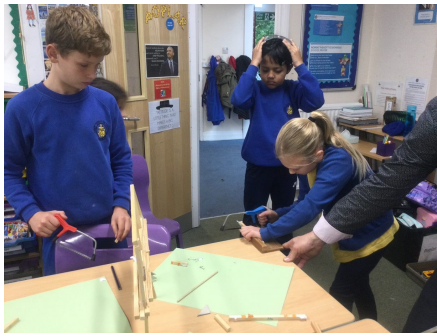
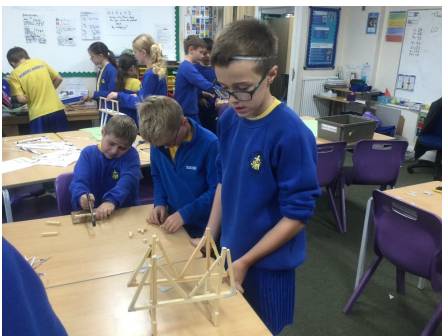
**EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER**

| DATE                           | EVENT                 | VENUE                     | TIME                                  |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2022  | PTA AGM               | Junior School Hall        | 7:30pm                                |
| 04 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 | School Disco          | Junior School Hall        | 5:00pm Infants<br>6:15pm Years 3 & 4  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2022  | Reindeer Visit        | Infant School Play-ground | Families with pre-school children are |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 | Christmas Fayre       | Junior School             | 1:00pm - 4:00pm                       |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2022  | Infant School         | St Mary's Church          | 2:00pm - 2:30pm                       |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | Infant Nativity       | Infant School             | 2:00pm                                |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | Carol Service         | St Mary's Church          | 6:00pm                                |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | Infant Nativity       | Infant School             | 9:30am                                |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022 | Junior Christmas Play | Junior School             | 6:00pm                                |

# The Bronze Age



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**October 2022**

**OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL TLC DAYS EVER!**

Wow! Thank you to all the parents and children who came out on 8th-9th October to help with the TLC Days. We had nearly 50 volunteers on Saturday and nearly 30 on Sunday – with some attending both days! This was an incredible turnout, the best we've ever had. It made such a difference in both the Infant and Junior Schools. You can see the new fence is going up around the Adventure Playground now, and bark is due to arrive next term. All of your help saved the school nearly £5,000 in costs. Thank you to our wonderful school community for pitching in!



**UPCOMING EVENTS  
NOVEMBER**

-  **2nd: RP PTA AGM (Junior School)**
  - 7.30pm onwards
-  **4th: Children's Disco (Junior School)**
  - Reception/Y1/Y2: 5-6pm
  - Y3/Y4: 6.15pm-7.15pm
  - Y5/Y6: 7.30pm-8.30pm
-  **18th: Cake Sale**
  - Cherry Class (Junior School)
  - Turtle Doves (Infant School)
-  **26th: Christmas Fayre**
  - 1-4pm (Junior School)

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 Join us on the "PTA Helping Hands" WhatsApp group. Please ask your class rep or a PTA member for the invite link.



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# October 2022

## PTA HELP



We had an amazing turnout at the last PTA meeting on the 10th October. So many old and new parents came to get involved and help the school. We are truly thankful for your support.

We've also had a massive uptake of parents joining our PTA Helping Hands WhatsApp group. Thank you to all who have joined and now helping with the upcoming Disco and Christmas Fayre. Again we lucky to be part of a wonderful school community.

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

We received some very creative designs on the Christmas cards. They have all be collected now for printing. We hope to have them back to you by the beginning of December in time for Christmas posting!




## CAKE SALES


We are starting up the cake sales again across both schools. Each class will be asked to arrange a cake sale this academic year. All the money taken from the cake sales will be given directly to that class. Please do get involved and support the school.

Dates for each class will be given in advance. First will be Cherry (Juniors) and Turtle Doves (Infants) on Friday 18th November after school. Your class reps will be in contact with more information nearer the time.



## Get Involved

 Find us on Facebook at "Robert Piggott PTA"

 Join us on the "PTA Helping Hands" WhatsApp group. Please ask your class rep or a PTA member for the invite link.



GET ACTIVE SPORTS

# HOLIDAY Camps



24th - 28th October 2022

**Early Bird**  
**OCT22**



EXPIRES 10/10/2022

**Robert Piggott C Of E Infant School**  
**Beverley Gardens Wargrave, Reading RG10 8ED**

**HOW TO BOOK**

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**TIMES & PRICES**

**Full day session:**  
8am-6pm  
£31.45 per day

**Half Day session:**  
8am-3:30pm  
£28.45 per day

Parents/Guardians are welcome to drop off and collect any time within the chosen time slot.

**WHAT WE'RE UP TO...**

|              |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Football ⚽   | Gaming 🎮        |
| Tennis 🎾     | Scooters 🛹      |
| Team Games 🏈 | Nerf Guns 🗡️    |
| Hockey 🏑     | Arts & Crafts 🎨 |
| Basketball 🏀 | Movie Days 🎬    |
| Rounders ⚾   | Gymnastics 🤸    |

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# BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS NIGHT

*A Night at the  
Movies*

**SATURDAY 29 OCTOBER 2022**



**KING GEORGE'S FIELD**

**GATES OPEN 6:30 | BONFIRE 7:30 | FIREWORKS 8:00**

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## **THERESA MAY'S CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION**

Our search to find a Christmas card for Theresa May to send to her colleagues, friends, and family this year is still on. We thought it might be a nice little project for your children?

For details, please follow this link: [Theresa May launches Christmas card contest with 'Tiser - Maidenhead Advertiser \(maidenhead-advertiser.co.uk\)](http://maidenhead-advertiser.co.uk)

**The closing date for entries is Friday, November 5.**



# Street Dance Classes



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**WEDNESDAY'S**  
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6:00-7:00pm - ages 9-12



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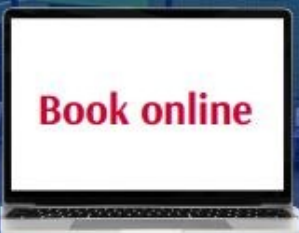
“ Really easy to get through and talk through some choices. ”

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# Holiday Activities October 2022



| Week 1                        | 24/10            | 25/10            | 26/10            | 27/10            | 28/10            |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| The Dome & 3G Pitch (RG2 0FL) | X                | X                | X                | 10am - 3pm       | 10am - 3pm       |
| Cantley Park (RG40 5QG)       | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) |
| Academy Sport (RG2 8DF)       | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) | 10am - 3pm (£25) | X                | X                |



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