

Friday 11th September 2026

Dear Parents & Carers

We have reached the end of our first full week back at school and are well and truly back into the routine!

The highlight of the week has been welcoming our new Reception families. Since the start of term, our Reception team has been visiting families at home, and yesterday we were delighted to welcome the children into school for their first day. It was wonderful to see so many excited faces! While drop-off was understandably tricky for a few children, they all settled in quickly. Following another part-time day today, Reception children will stay for lunch for the first time on Monday (leaving at 1:30 pm), before transitioning to full-time school from Tuesday.

Across the rest of the school, children have been practising lunchtime routines, and we are impressed by how smoothly things are running. We have also been revisiting our core rules—'Ready, Respectful and Safe'—and classes have been busy creating posters to display in their rooms.

As our newest children join us, please remember that all children must dismount bikes and scooters before coming through the school gates and stand with an adult until the classroom doors open. This helps us ensure a safe and calm start to the morning for everyone.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Warm regards,

Tanya Mooney

Key Dates for Next 2 Weeks

Thursday 17 th September	2.40-3.10 PTA 2 nd Hand Uniform Sale
Friday 18 th September	9.00-10.00 Parent & Carer Safeguarding Training
Tuesday 22 nd September	6.00-7.00pm Year 2 Curriculum evening
Wednesday 23 rd September	6.00-7.00pm Reception Curriculum evening

You can also see a full list of key dates for the year so far, on the Term Dates & Calendar pages of the school website **HERE**

ECP- Friday 18th September

Please remember to sign up to ECP Safeguarding workshop. *This is an excellent opportunity to gain practical advice, learn about the current online risks, and develop the knowledge and confidence needed to help keep your child safe in today's increasingly digital world.*

Key details:

- Date: Friday 18th September
- Time: 09.00 – 10.00
- Location: Oatlands School Hall
- Click [here](#) to confirm attendance

Parking

Sadly, we have already received complaints from local residents regarding inconsiderate and illegal parking in the local area, particularly Copse Mews which is a private road.

Please be considerate to our local residents. It is not acceptable to park on or over residents' driveways, park in private roads or make U turns on St Mary's Road during drop off & pick up times when children are trying to safely cross.

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL- Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL- Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Nurture Lead.