

Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fabulous end to the week we had with our whole-school danceathon in the playground this morning!

One of our parents, who works for the children's cancer charity Momentum Children's Charity, asked if we would like to get involved in 'Move for Momentum'—a campaign bringing communities together to raise funds for local children and families facing the toughest times imaginable. We knew the perfect couple to get the school moving! Parents and dance instructors Perry and Holly Machemedze kindly agreed to lead the event and had everyone moving across the playground. There was an amazing atmosphere, and we hope to have raised a wonderful amount for the charity. If you didn't get a chance to donate this morning, please use the link below. A huge thank you to Holly and Perry for bringing so much energy to our morning—everyone agreed it would be fantastic to do this every Friday!

Thank you to the Reception and Year 2 parents who joined us for our Curriculum Evenings this week. We appreciate you taking the time to come and hear what lies ahead for your children this year. The creche was well-attended (and did wonders for my step count!). A special thank you to our fantastic teachers for leading these informative sessions.

This week, we also introduced our first Year 2 Buddies of the Year! They are delighted with their new responsibilities, which include leading Year 2 in from playtime and sitting on chairs to support Year 1 during assemblies.

We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend!

You can donate to Move for Momentum HERE:

<https://afdjssrk.donorsupport.co/page/FUNBLSFMAPP?fundraiser=NPYMPNFQ&member=SYFYBLRH>

Key Dates for Next 2 Weeks

Curriculum Evenings

Wednesday 30 th September	6.00-7.00pm Reception Curriculum evening
Monday 28 th September	7.30-9.00pm PTA AGM-all welcome
Thursday 1 st October	Mr Nourishes Birthday-
Friday 2 nd October	Whole school individual photographs

Maths Workshops

Tuesday 6 th October	9.15-10.00 Jellyfish Class
Wednesday 7 th October	9.15-10.00 Seahorse Class
Thursday 8 th October	9.15-10.00 Starfish Class

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**

Mr Nourishes Birthday- Thursday 1st October

We are looking forward to celebrating Mr Nourishes birthday with a lunchtime party menu complete with birthday cake!

Individual School Photos- Friday 2nd October

We are really looking forward to our individual school photos this Friday. We can't wait to see everyone dressed smartly and ready for their close-ups!

Oatlands PTA x Art Social Paint n Sip evening

Join us at Art Social on 3rd October, from 6:30pm–9pm, for a relaxed and creative PTA evening designed to bring everyone together, have some fun and try something a little different.

Tickets are £25 per person, which includes a glass of Prosecco on arrival and access to a choice of creative activities throughout the evening. There's absolutely no pressure to take part — you're just as welcome to grab a drink, catch up with friends and enjoy the atmosphere.

For those who want to get creative, there'll be an Abstract Paint n Sip taking place in our back workshop, where you can experiment with colour, paint and different techniques. If you fancy something a little more energetic, head into our Splatter Room and throw, flick and splash some paint around — no artistic ability required!

Or, for something a little more laid-back, you can paint your own small tile. Each finished tile will become part of a larger Art Social community mural, which we'll be putting together and displaying in the coming weeks. Come for the art, come for the Prosecco, or simply come for a good evening with the PTA. No experience needed, no pressure to create — just a fun, social night at Art Social. Tickets available from www.pta-events.co.uk/oatlands

Oatlands PTA Sponsored Relay - Sunday 11th October 1-3pm

Registrations are now open by completing our Google form, <https://forms.gle/6h8H1ZgsLvXGTqha9>

This is one of our most popular events - run, skip, scoot or cycle to each other's houses with a lovely celebratory get together at the end cheering the final runners home! Fun for all the family, and environmentally friendly with no plastic tat to find a home for! Further details are in the Google Form, but let us know if there are any questions

Reminder: Please Do Not Block Driveways & Communicate Respectfully

Sadly, this week we have been contacted by two local residents regarding inconsiderate parking / road use by Oatlands parents.

We kindly ask for your cooperation in ensuring that drop-off and pick-up times run smoothly and respectfully for everyone in our community.

Please remember the following:

- **Do not block driveways** in St Mary's Road or the surrounding roads. Blocking access creates frustration and inconvenience for others, and can be a safety issue.
- **Communicate respectfully** with other parents and residents. We understand that mornings and afternoons can be hectic, however it is never acceptable to communicate in an aggressive or hostile manner. A calm and courteous approach helps maintain a positive and safe environment for all.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support in helping us create a respectful and safe space for our children and families.

Illegal & inconsiderate parking can be reported HERE:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/parking/parking-and-permits/enforcement-and-fines>

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.

Website Updates

Have a look at our Charity & Community pages HERE for activities in the local area