



# Meadowcroft News

6th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week we've had! The week started with a busy **Tuesday** when Year 4 went on a trip to Chertsey Museum. They learnt all about Anglo-Saxons and had a tour of the Chertsey Abbey ruins. That evening, the school hall was transformed into a cosy den and many families came back to school in their PJ's for a hot chocolate and bedtime story. It was wonderful to see so many of you.



On **Wednesday**, following feedback and requests from parents, Emma, a representative from Freemantles, came in to school to talk about neurodiversity and masking in autism. Thank you to Mrs May for organising this and to those parents that came. Feedback was positive and hopefully this is something we can do again.

**Thursday** was World Book Day. The costumes and creations are always so imaginative and the children enjoyed lots of book related activities throughout the day. Lucy Noguero was our guest for the day and the children were really engaged with the stories she has written. You can still purchase these using SCOPAY and

SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

Every book you buy earns **FREE BOOKS** for our school!

# COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR

AND FIND YOUR NEXT FAVOURITE READ!

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

**GO ALL IN.** National Year of Reading 2026

the publishers will send the books to school. This opportunity will be available until 9am Wednesday morning.

**AUTHOR VISIT**

## LUCY NOGUERA

Pre-order signed copies via school - all books will be signed by Lucy!

**Swop 1 - The Satsuma Sized Secret**

**Swop 2 - The Daring Dinosaur Detective**

**Herman Needs A Home**

ALL BOOKS £7.99 EACH  
\*ORDER BOTH SWOPS (KS2) to receive a FREE SWOP BOOKMARK!

Picture Book £7.99 KS1 Recycling/Hermit Crabs/Adventure story



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As Mrs Griggs got the date wrong for the book fair in last week's newsletter (sorry!) – the match the book competition deadline is extended for another week! See the entry form at the end of the newsletter or ask your class teacher for a printed copy. Please hand in by 16<sup>th</sup> March.

On **Thursday** afternoon, our KS2 dance troop went to the Runnymede School Dance Festival. They danced on a professional stage at Notre Dame school in Cobham and represented Meadowcroft with pride, sportsmanship and enthusiasm. They performed brilliantly, showing that the hard work and rehearsals that they have attended during their lunchtimes over the last few weeks really paid off.

## ACHIEVEMENTS - Well done to:

**Milano, Yaqub**

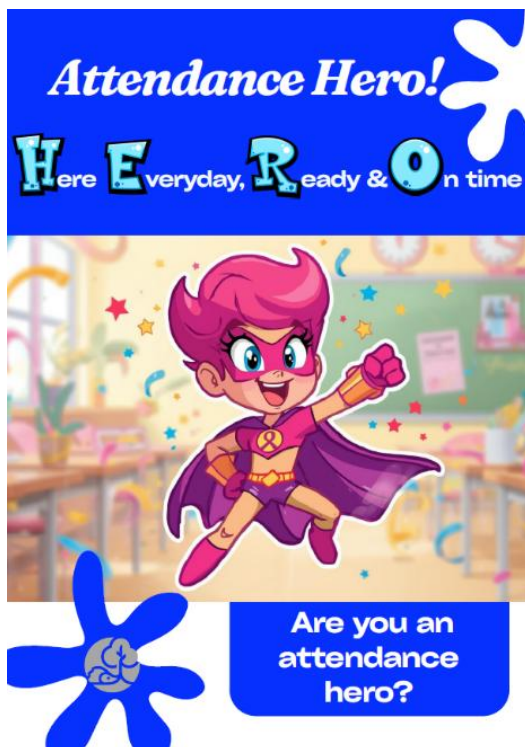
**Polly, Mason and Haris,**

**Euie, Petra**

**Elliot, Rohma**

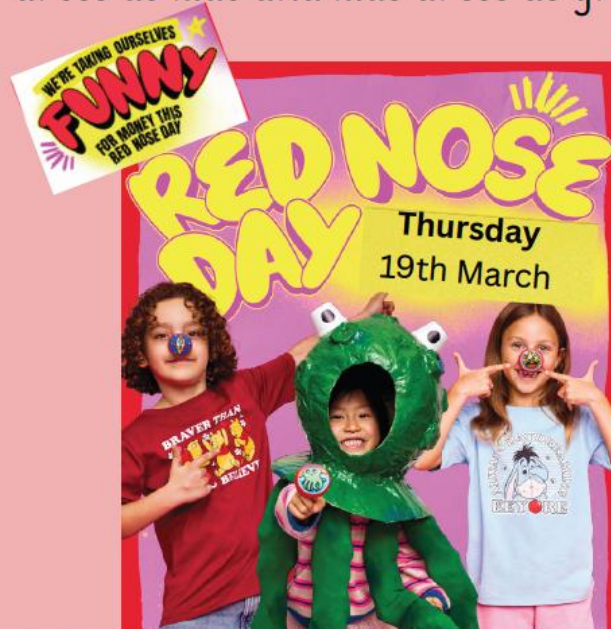
**Maryanne and Jack**

## SEE END PAGES FOR PHOTO MONTAGE OF ALL OF THESE EVENTS



Well done to the 106 children who got an attendance sticker and were celebrated in assembly this morning. Also to Badger class who won the attendance cup this week.

We're flipping the script! Grownups dress as kids and kids dress as grownups.



On 19th March we are inviting all the children to come dressed as a grown up for the day.

In keeping with our last PSHE topic of dreams and goals, we are encouraging children to dress to show their aspirations for the future. Do we have aspiring doctors, teachers, plumbers or scientists? Are there children who aspire to travel to the moon or travel the world? If so, how would they dress?

At the same time we will raise money for Comic Relief - please bring a donation on the day - these will be collected on the gate in the morning.



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**Dropping Children when the Gate is Closed** – Children must be escorted to the door and received by an adult when the gate is not manned by a member of staff. Gates are manned and open between 8.30am – 8.40am and 3.15pm – 3.25pm. Outside of these times children must be accompanied by an adult. This includes dropping to breakfast Club.

**Traffic and Parking** – Please help to reduce the congestion as much as possible outside school by **parking considerately** and avoiding the area directly in front of the school if possible. Please be considerate by **not parking in a way that blocks the neighbours' driveways.**

**Please do not stop in the road to let your child out of the car – this causes congestion.**

**MUGA** – It has been so lovely to have the extra space at lunchtime. Just a reminder about trainers if children want to use that area at lunch: If it is a PE day and the children are in trainers they do not need to change. If it is a non-PE day the children need to change out of their school shoes. Some children are saying that their school shoes are trainers - these still need to be changed



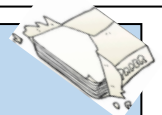
## Uniform

Link to uniform page of the website: [Meadowcroft Community Primary School - Uniform](#)

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform on both PE and Non – PE days: Please ensure all jewellery is removed for PE



We are always grateful to receive reams of A4 paper and boxes of tissues for the children if you would like to donate either



## Key Stage 2 Equipment

All children will need the following equipment for school every day:

- water bottle
- a sensible sized pencil case (as they need to fit on desks and in trays)
- HB pencil
- blue handwriting pen – NOT A BIRO PLEASE
- glue stick
- white board pen
- 15cm ruler
- purple 'polishing' pen (purple biro)
- small selection of coloured pencils

### KS2 Stationery List

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| HB Pencil              | 20p |
| Blue Handwriting Pen   | 40p |
| Whiteboard Marker      | 50p |
| Purple 'Polishing' Pen | 20p |
| 15cm Ruler             | 20p |
| Full Pencil case       | £5  |

A complete pencil case can be paid for on SCOPAY.

Individual items can be purchased using cash at school – see price list



## FAMILY LEARNING



**Free Courses for parents and carers**

Surrey Family Learning offer **FREE** courses and workshops to help you create a better family life.

Do you want to help your child or teenager to improve their behaviour, development and learning?

Book onto one of our tailored courses today to begin supporting you and your family. Find more information at:

[surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning](https://surreycc.gov.uk/familylearning)



...or scan here



**New Sensory Courses/Workshop**  
Enhance Your Skills to Support Your Child's Sensory Needs

Join our courses/workshops to learn strategies for behavior and learning support, tailored for children with ASD, ADHD, and other needs. Improve your family's wellbeing and learning with our expert guidance.



**New Maths Courses/Workshop**  
Boost Your Math Skills to Support Your Child

Develop your understanding of math, its language, and school terminology to help with your child's schoolwork. Enhance your family's knowledge with our expert guidance.



## NEURODIVERSITY ADVISOR PADLET

*FOR PARENTS/CARERS*

We understand that navigating life with a Neurodivergent child can be overwhelming. We have brought together key resources and information in a easy to use format.

Please scan the QR code to access our Padlet for Families.



[NDAdvisors@surreycc.gov.uk](mailto:NDAdvisors@surreycc.gov.uk)



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For recommendations of apps to support children's mental health click  
[Wellbeing apps for kids | Internet Matters](#)

[How to support your child's mental health – Place2Be](#)



## Runnymede Family Centre

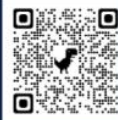
Every Monday  
10 - 12

### Family Support at the Revive Cafe

99 Guildford Street, Chertsey, England, KT16 9AS  
[www.revivecoffeeshop.co.uk](http://www.revivecoffeeshop.co.uk)

Family Support Workers from Runnymede  
Family centre will be available to offer support  
and advice on all aspects of family life.  
Drop in, no booking required.

If you would like more information please scan the  
QR code or email:  
[runnymedefamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:runnymedefamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk)



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## Runnymede Family Centre

The second Tuesday of  
each month  
10am to 12 noon

### SEND Connect Café Drop-In for parents/carers of SEND children

Join us for an informal drop-in session where you will be able to get advice and  
support from a Family Support Worker.

We will be based at the The Village Cafe on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Village Centre, Victoria Street, Englefield Green, Surrey, TW20 0QX

This is not a playgroup but children are welcome to come with you

[www.villagecentre.org.uk](http://www.villagecentre.org.uk)

To check on dates or if you would like more information  
please scan the QR code or email:  
[runnymedefamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:runnymedefamilycentre@barnardos.org.uk)



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**Mindworks**  
Surrey

**Our free children and young  
people's crisis line is  
available 24 hours a day for  
young people 6 years old  
and over, parents and  
carers who are experiencing  
emotional and mental health  
crisis.**

**Please call 0800 915 4644  
selecting option 1**



## Emotional wellbeing and mental health support for children and young people

SCAN ME



### If you need support for a young person now, here's what to do

If they're in immediate danger:  
call 999

If they have an urgent need, call our crisis line on 0800 915 4644. It's open 24/7. You can also call NHS 111 and select the mental health option.

### If your concern is not urgent, but you want to find the right support for a young person's emotional wellbeing:

#### Online support

If a child or young person needs support with life's ups and downs outside of their regular support system, try Kooth which offers a free, safe, anonymous online support for young people ([kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com)) or Chat Health which offers confidential text support with a qualified nurse ([chathealth.nhs.uk](https://chathealth.nhs.uk)).

#### Self help tools & resources

A range of resources, strategies, and tools developed by professionals are available on the Mindworks website [www.mindworks-surrey.org/advice-information-and-resources](https://www.mindworks-surrey.org/advice-information-and-resources).

#### Workshops and groups

Mindworks offers free workshops and groups for children, young people, and families - no request for support or diagnosis needed. More info at: [www.mindworks-surrey.org/our-services/building-resilience](https://www.mindworks-surrey.org/our-services/building-resilience)

#### CYP Haven

A welcoming space for 10–18s to talk about worries and mental health in confidence. Provided by Surrey County Council. More info at: [www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/young-people/cyp-haven](https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/support-and-advice/young-people/cyp-haven)

#### Support in schools

Children and young people should be encouraged to talk to the Mental Health Lead in their school, who can discuss with Mindworks school-based staff whether a referral to Mindworks is appropriate, what Mindworks service is best placed to meet their needs or what other services might better support them. If a child is not in a Surrey state school or is not able to access support via school, then a professional working with them can make a request for support via <https://mindworksrequestforsupport.sabp.nhs.uk/>. GPs can also use e-RS.

#### Specialist support

We provide specialist mental health support for: Eating disorders, sexual trauma, children in care, care leavers, adoptees, and those under Special Guardianship Orders affected by trauma and attachment difficulties, Learning disabilities and young people who are isolated and/or vulnerable. A request for support can be made on <https://mindworksrequestforsupport.sabp.nhs.uk/>. GPs can also use e-RS.

#### Neurodevelopmental support

The Mindworks website offers advice for families navigating traits or needs which may be associated with neurodivergency, including details on workshops, support groups, and the diagnosis pathway. A dedicated helpline for parents and carers of children with suspected or diagnosed Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)/Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) is available daily from 5–11 PM at 0300 222 5755. More info at: <https://www.mindworks-surrey.org/our-services/neurodevelopmental-services>



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

|   |   |
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| Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March                           | Year 1 – Chertsey Museum Workshop                                     |
| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March – 20 <sup>th</sup> March  | Book Fair in school – 3.15 – 4pm                                      |
| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March                         | Red Nose Day Dress up!  |
| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March                           | Year 3 and 4 Swimming – Last one!                                     |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March -12 <sup>th</sup> April   | 1.30 Finish – Easter Holidays   |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April                         | Visit from Synagogue Guide – Yr1 and Yr3                              |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April                           | Year 1 Chobham Adventure Farm   |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April                         | Year 3 – Walking Feet (Road Safety sessions - more details to follow) |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>   | The Arts / STEM Workshops – more details to follow                    |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May                            | School CLOSED for Polling   |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May                              | INSET DAY   |
| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May – 29 <sup>th</sup> May      | May Half Term   |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June                             | Year 3 Sleepover – more details next week                             |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June | Year 4 residential – Walton Firs – more details next week             |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> July                                   | Children Break Up for Summer  |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> July                                   | INSET DAY   |

### CONTACT US

If you have any queries, concerns or your details have changed please contact us:

✉: [info@meadowcroft.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@meadowcroft.surrey.sch.uk)

☎: 01932 561419

✉: Little Green Lane, Chertsey, KT16 9PT

For information and news please visit our website:

🌐: [www.meadowcroftprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.meadowcroftprimaryschool.co.uk)

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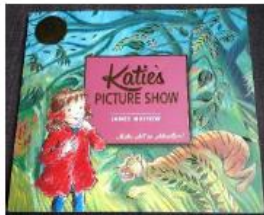


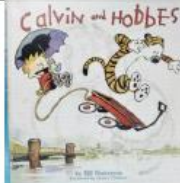
Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**Can you match the adults to their favourite childhood books?**

The books listed below were favourite books of some members of staff when they were younger. Can you match them up? All correct entries will go in a draw and 5 lucky winners will be able to choose a book from the book fair when it is in school during the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> March.

|         |               |             |                 |            |             |
|---------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Mrs May | Mrs Scott     | Mrs Griggs  | Miss Goodlake   | Mrs Foster | Miss Cooper |
| Mr G    | Mrs Underwood | Miss Latham | Miss Powlesland | Mrs Nichol | Mrs Mills   |

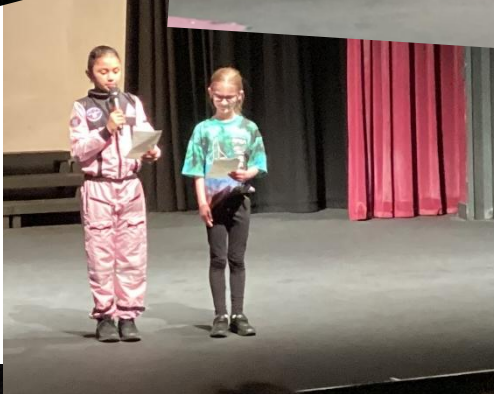
| Name | Book  |
|------|---|
|      |  The Patchwork Cat   |
|      | The Magic Faraway Tree<br>because the land at the top of the tree changes every day. The characters get to go on thrilling adventures to different lands such as the Land of Topsy-Turvy where everything is upside down and the Land of Goodies where there are houses made of chocolate!  |
|      |  The Magic Far Away Tree<br>because the land at the top of the tree changes every day. The characters get to go on thrilling adventures to different lands such as the Land of Topsy-Turvy where everything is upside down and the Land of Goodies where there are houses made of chocolate! |
|      |  We didn't Mean to Go to Sea – Swallows and Amazons   |
|      | The Railway Children<br>   |
|      |  The Velveteen Rabbit - Margery Williams   |

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|--|---|
|  | The Magic Faraway Tree because I loved the characters and the idea of finding a magical land at the top of a tree. I loved climbing trees when I was little. We had a huge tree near our house which I would climb and sit at the top of it and read. It blew down in the hurricane and I was so upset!   |
| The Tiger who came to tea<br> | My favourite picture book was The Tiger who came to Tea. I thought the tiger was very naughty, I loved it when they went out in the dark to go to a cafe when there was no food left. I thought that was extremely exciting as we never did that! 😊 and she was called Sophie!  |
|  | 'Katie's Picture Show' by James Mayhew is one of my favourite childhood books. I loved the way the mischievous character of Katie, armed only with her pigtailed and red anorak, could find adventures inside the paintings at the National Gallery in London. It made me look at art in a new way. When I saw paintings at an art gallery, I would try to imagine the stories behind them and what the people were like.  |
|  | James Mayhew added a tutorial on how he used pencil, ink and watercolour to make his pictures at the back of the book. This influenced how I still create my own artwork today!<br>I still have my copy of 'Katie's Picture Show' and I also have a signed picture of Katie that James Mayhew sent me on my wall as inspiration!  |
|  | My favourite book was the Pear tree farm.<br>It is full of nursery rhyme characters but follows the story of Mary and her little lamb who turns green. I loved the illustrations and the rhyming flow of the book. I got this book when I was very little and 30 years on I still have it today.    |
|  | Danny Champion of the World – Roald Dahl<br>   |
|  |  The Adventures of Calvin and Hobbs  |



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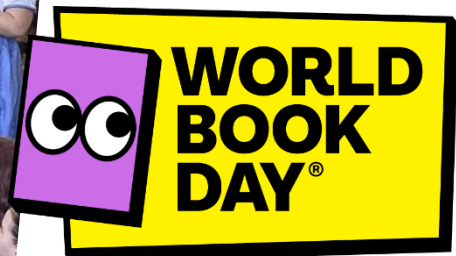
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For All  
The  
Family

1st Saturday  
of the month  
1.30pm-3.30pm

## Museum Makes

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!



FREE  
DROP IN  
SESSION



Chertsey Museum, 33 Windsor Street, Chertsey KT16 8AT  
chertseymuseum.org



back in 2026  
by popular demand!

### Kids Saturday



## Sewing Circle

From buttons to back  
stitch, blanket stitch to  
daisy stitch - come along  
and learn how to sew.

Learn a new stitch each  
month and take home your  
handsewn creations.

11.15am  
to  
12.30pm

7 February

7 March

4 April

Suitable for ages 7 to 12  
£4.00 per session  
Advanced booking required

Book online at <https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/saturday-sewing-circle>

Chertsey Museum 33 Windsor Street Chertsey KT16 8AT  
Tel 01932 565 764



Community  
Sports  
Trust

## Saturday Morning Bees

EVERY SATURDAY

17

24

31

7

14

JAN

FEB



Children aged 5- 11

8.45 - 9.45 (Years 1, 2, 3)

8.45 - 10.15 (Years 4, 5, 6)

Hazelwood Centre, Hazelwood Dr,  
Sunbury-on-Thames, TW16 6QU

£10 = per child, per session



Book Now

