



25th September 2026

Ewell Grove Newsletter

Let's Celebrate!

This week, I felt extremely proud to hear some lovely feedback from a member of the public. They were really impressed with the behaviour of our children as they walked to and from Old Schools Lane. This was particularly aimed at Year 4, but well done to all of Key Stage 2 for establishing this routine.

Allergy Awareness

One of our recent classroom assemblies was focused on allergy awareness. This led to some wonderful ideas from our Year 6 children. The children are planning to design and create some posters which can be displayed in the school hall. The posters will remind everyone of key messages such as, the importance of not sharing food and that we are a nut-free school. This is a wonderful idea and we will share the outcome very soon!

Foundational Skills

Last week I shared with you that we will be continuing with our Mastery in Maths project along with our focus on securing foundational skills. Confidence with numbers is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. This week in school we have been talking about multiplication. Multiplication is not just about memorising facts for a test; it is a foundational skill that unlocks problem-solving, fractions, algebra, and everyday life maths.

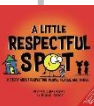
To help you support your child at home, we have outlined how multiplication progresses from early experiences in Nursery all the way to fluency in Year 6, along with easy ways to practise together at home including the use of **Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)**. Please have a look at [The Multiplication Journey](#).

A Moment to Reflect

This week during our whole school assembly we shared the story 'A Little Respectful Spot' and reflected on how you can respect people, places and resources. We also discussed consequences for actions, impact of actions on others and making good choices. Please continue to talk about what being respectful looks like at home.

Have a lovely weekend.

Miss Paula Rising



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Phonics

Useful Online Website Links



[School Calendar](#) and [Term Dates](#)



[Parents' Information Booklet](#)



[Change of Contact Details](#)



[Exceptional Leave of Absence Form](#)



[Pupil Medication Request](#)



[Photographic Images / Names Consent Form](#)



Thank you for attending our Phonics Workshop!

The slides and information from the workshop have been uploaded onto our school website and Google Classroom. If you attended the workshop, we would love to hear your feedback using our [online form](#).

Parents Evening

Autumn Term Parents' Evening will take place on the below dates and times:

Nursery

Wednesday 14th October – 3:50pm – 6:50pm

Thursday 15th October - 3:50pm – 6:00pm

Main School

Wednesday 14th October – 3:30pm – 6:50pm

Thursday 15th October - 3:30pm – 6:20pm

Fox Class – Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th October

For full details, including booking instructions, please click on the link to the [Parents Evening Autumn Term letter](#); available on our website under 'Letters Home'.

Subject of the Week: Computing

Children across the school have been working hard in computing and online safety this week. In Year 3, they have been developing the important skill of touch typing. They have been practising their correct finger positioning on the keyboard and learning when to use the left or right hand. They have also been practising more specific skills such as using the shift key for capital letters and typing punctuation marks and symbols. Some of the children are super speedy!



Important Online Safety Message

The NSPCC has published figures showing which platforms children name when they make contact with Childline to report abuse. Snapchat had the most mentions, followed by TikTok, Instagram, and WhatsApp. This is not a surprise to schools as in school we often find ourselves managing unkindness, upset, and sometimes even bullying that has taken place on one or other of these apps between our children outside of school.

This information from NSPCC is difficult to ignore, and we are all committed to protecting our children from harm. It is therefore a timely reminder to all parents whose children have smart phones and use these apps, to take extra care and keep an extra close eye on what your children are accessing online.

Please refer to our online safety information page on our Ewell Grove website.

[Online Safety Information for Parents](#)

We recommend you visit Net Aware to read the latest and most current advice on over 70 apps to ensure you know what they do, how you can limit their features as well as recommended age restrictions.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>

Assemblies and Performances Please save the date!

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Nursery	Thursday 3 rd December 9:00 am	Friday 30 th April 9:00 am
Reception	Tuesday 8 th December 9:15 am	Wednesday 26 th May 9:15 am
Year 1	Wednesday 9 th December 9:15 am	Thursday 1 st July 9:15 am
Year 2	Thursday 10 th December 9:15 am	Tuesday 18 th May 9:15 am
Year 3	Friday 4 th December 9:15 am	Friday 21 st May 9:15 am
Year 4	Thursday 11 th February 9:00 am	Thursday 24 th June 9:15 am
Year 5	Monday 7 th December 9:00 am	Friday 2 nd July 9:15 am
Year 6	End of year evening performance Wednesday 7 th and Thursday 8 th July 2027	
Everybody welcome to join us for singing the playground at 9 am Christmas Singing 18 th December Spring Parade 25 th March Summer Singing 20 th July		

Spring Parent Information Meetings

In person and online - 9:00 am

EYFS	Monday 11 th January
KS1	Thursday 14 th January
Years 3 and 4	Tuesday 12 th January
Years 5 and 6	Friday 15 th January

Please see below the dates for our school trips, residentials and experiences taking place this year. Further information will be sent to year groups in due course.

Trips and Residentials

Nursery	Little City (at school) Friday 19 th March
EYFS and KS1 – Wakehurst Place	
Reception and Fox Class	
Tuesday 13 th April	
Year 1 and Otter Class	
Wednesday 14 th April	
Year 3	School Sleepover Date TBC
Year 4	High Ashurst Wednesday 27 th – Friday 29 th January
Year 5	Henley Fort Wednesday 23 rd – Friday 25 th June
Year 6	Thames Young Mariner Friday 14 th May

Epsom & Ewell Foodbank

Weekly Wishlist

This week, the [Epsom and Ewell Foodbank](#) are needing a few urgent items. If you would like to donate, please click on this [link](#) to find out more.



Mrs Littlejohn Enjoys Dobble!

I really enjoy playing 'Dobble' it's a fun card game that challenges you to spot matching symbols between two cards as quickly as you can!

It's great for your concentration and your quick-thinking skills while having lots of fun at the same time. There are lots of different themed versions of the game available too and more importantly anyone, no matter what age, can play. You could even be creative and make your own!



Did you guess the what Mrs Sala could spy on the playground last week? It was something beginning with 'r'. That's right, it was **railings**!

School Photographer

Reminder: our school photographer will be taking individual and family (sibling) photographs of the children next week on **Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th September**.

Families will also be photographed together **unless you inform us in writing** that you would like your children to be photographed individually.

Please send your child to school in their full school uniform tomorrow, even if it is their PE day.

Nursery Parents

If your child was born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023 you will need to apply for a school place between 2nd November 2026 and 15th January 2027.

Nursery children will be coming home with a leaflet with full details of the application process.

Reception outcomes will be sent by post or email on **16th April 2026**. Apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions between **2nd November 2026 and 15th January 2027**.

Harvest Festival

Harvest is traditionally a time of feasting and giving thanks. Festivals take place all over the world, and every country has distinct customs and traditions.

At Ewell Grove we believe that including Harvest within the curriculum teaches our children about the value of sharing and caring for others.

Please help us to celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving with a donation of money or actual food / personal hygiene items that will be given to the Epsom and Ewell Food Bank.

Please visit our Harvest Hut on **Wednesday 7th October 2026** to drop any donations.

Is Your Child in Year 6?

If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 you will need to **apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2026**.

We suggest you submit your secondary application by **16th October 2026** as this is the Friday before the half term holiday. Secondary outcomes will be sent by post or email on 1st March 2027. Apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call them on 0300 200 1004.

Nut Free School



We are a **nut free** school in order to ensure the safety of any children who have nut allergies.

Please check all packaging and do not send nuts or food containing nuts to school. This includes pesto, nutty bars, chocolate spread and peanut butter.

Friends of Ewell Grove Events

September

Friday 25 th September	➤ FOEG Book Club – ‘The Ministry of Time’ by Kaliane Bradley: 7:30pm
	➤ Volunteers needed to check Christmas Card designs (school hours): 9:00am – 11:00am

October

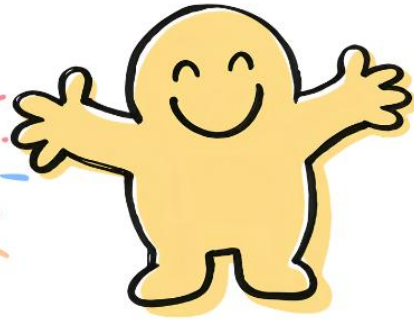
Monday 5 th October	➤ Letter / permission form to Year 6 families for Christmas Fair volunteering
Friday 9 th October	➤ Christmas Fair planning meeting: 9:00am at Mandalina
Sunday 11 th October	➤ Quiz Night ticket sales and pre-order pizzas open: 7:00pm
Wednesday 14 th October	➤ Year 6 Fair response deadline
Friday 16 th October	➤ Christmas Fair volunteer request (via Helping Hands)
Saturday 24 th October	➤ Christmas card / gift online shop closure deadline
Mid-October	➤ Christmas card / gift slips sent home in bookbags (online shop)
Date TBC	➤ Santa's Grotto tickets (at Christmas Fair) go live

November

Thursday 5 th November	➤ The Little Recyclers collection: 6.30 – 8:00pm
Friday 6 th November	➤ The Little Recyclers collection (volunteers needed): 8:45 – 9:00am
Friday 6 th November	➤ FOEG Open Meeting: 9:00 – 10:00am - ALL WELCOME!
Monday 23 rd November	➤ Santa's Postbox goes live
By mid-November	➤ Delivery of Christmas card / gift orders to Ewell Grove

December

Thursday 3 rd December	➤ Santa's Postbox closes
Thursday 10 th December	➤ Christmas Fair evening prep: 7:00 – 9:00pm
Friday 11 th December	➤ Christmas Fair Day! Set-up 1.15 – 3:00pm, Fair 4:00 – 6:00pm, clear up 6:00 – 8:00pm
Date TBC	➤ Non-Uniform Day (bottle and chocolate donations for Christmas Fair)
Last week of term	➤ Santa's replies due from the North Pole



Hello and Welcome from the Friends of Ewell Grove

A very hearty hello on behalf of the Friends of Ewell Grove (FOEG) to all our school community and I hope you all had a decent break over the summer holidays. Personally, September feels like the 'real' New Year with so many changes to navigate and manage, so I do hope you are all finding things are slowly getting into a rhythm within your families and lives!



The Friends of Ewell Grove – your PTFA*!

The Friends of Ewell Grove team work so hard behind the scenes to help support and work with Ewell Grove to – not only raise funds, but to build the school community and enrich the education of all the children at the school. I'm delighted to welcome

George Gray to our team; George was co-opted over the summer holidays as a general committee member and we are so grateful to have another volunteer join us. **A huge welcome** to George and I'm so excited to start working on the upcoming projects with the new team!

**PTFA is 'Parent, Teacher and Friends Association' 😊 Just so you know!*



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Nursery & Reception families' first day gifts and Welcome Picnic



Ewell Grove bears at the Welcome Picnic and a little gift from the Friends of Ewell Grove

Hello to our new Nursery and Reception families!

This month has been a busy one for FOEG as **we've been helping our new N/R families settle into Ewell Grove**. During their first few days, FOEG volunteers handed out **small gifts to welcome each family**. Last week, we also **hosted our 'Welcome Picnic'**, where FOEG provided free biscuits and squash for the children, along with the opportunity to make their very own badges. **A huge thank you** to all the families who came along. It was so lovely to meet so many new faces, and see the children running around enjoying themselves. And, of course, our biggest thanks go to all the wonderful **volunteers who gave up their time** to help make the event possible. We couldn't do it without you! ❤️

Fundraising Projects for 2026/2027

Last week FOEG met with Miss Rising and the Ewell Grove team to discuss ideas and how the charity can best support the school. There are some really exciting projects in the pipeline, which will benefit all year groups. To get the ball rolling, FOEG has agreed to **focus on three projects: 'KS1 Group Room re-purpose', 'KS2 Calm Corner/Reading Area upgrades' and 'KS1 New Outdoor Learning Area'**. These projects have an **estimated cost of ~£8,900 in total**. We will keep you all posted on how these projects are progressing throughout the term and hope to have good news and photos soon!



Starting projects for the year: KS1 Group Room, KS2 Calm Corners/Reading Areas, KS1 Outdoor Learning



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CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING (all welcome) - FRIDAY 9th OCTOBER @ 9AM

Come and join us at Mandolina (Ewell High Street) to share ideas to make the Fair another wonderful evening for our families!

FRIENDS OF EWELL GROVE - OPEN MEETING (all welcome) FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER 9-10AM

Want to find out more about FOEG and what we're up to? Come along (in person or online) to hear the new updates and share your ideas!

THE LITTLE RECYCLERS - CLOTHING COLLECTION FUNDRAISER - THURSDAY 5th & FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER

Clear out your wardrobe and help us raise some funds! There is an evening collection on 5th November (6.30-8pm) and 6th November (8.45-9am). If you can help volunteer on the Friday, that would be greatly appreciated!

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER - FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER @ 7.30pm

Get a team together and have fun all in the name of charity! Tickets go on sale Sunday 11th October via www.pta-events.co.uk/foeg, with 8 people max per team, tickets £10 each.

EWELL GROVE CHRISTMAS FAIR & RAFFLE - FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER 4-6PM

Join in the festive fun at Ewell Grove! With games, treats and a terrific BBQ and Bar, it's a wonderful opportunity to get in the festive spirit!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A Message from Club Vale



Get Ready for a Fun October Half-Term with Club Vale!



We've been busy behind the scenes reviewing our recent holiday clubs and after a very successful summer holiday club we are now offering holiday club at Ewell Grove over the October Half term! We will be focussing on bringing your children high-quality projects, games, and outdoor adventures.

Led by the familiar, friendly Club Vale faces your kids love, it's going to be a brilliant week of creativity, energy, and fun! See below for both options at Ewell Grove and St Martins School should you wish to book over the two weeks in October.



Save the Dates & Pick Your Location (or come to both!):

- **St Martin's School, Epsom:** Monday 19 to Thursday 22 October
- **Ewell Grove, Ewell:** Monday 26 to Thursday 29 October



Flexible Fun for Everyone:

- Come for a single day, a few days, or join the fun for both weeks!
- Bringing the whole crew? Save with our **10% sibling discount**. (current Reception age to Year 6)

Spaces are filling up, so click the booking link to check out session choices, prices, and payment details:

[Click here to Book St Martins 19th - 22nd October](#)

[Click here to Book Ewell Grove 26th - 29th October](#)



October Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Raising Self-Esteem	5 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	5 Oct 7pm
Decreasing Depression	6 Oct 10am
Introduction to OCD	6 Oct 7pm
Improving Family Communication	12 Oct 10am
What is ACT?	12 Oct 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	13 Oct 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	13 Oct 7pm
Understanding Anger	19 Oct 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 Oct 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	20 Oct 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	20 Oct 7pm
FREE - ADHD and Homework	22 Oct 7-8pm
Facing Defiance	26 Oct 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	26 Oct 7pm
School Anxiety	27 Oct 10am
Anxiety Explained	27 Oct 7pm

FACE

FACE aims to support regular parents with commonly faced issues

In this age of long waiting lists and over-loaded services, FACE is offering you practical and accessible advice and information.

Each talk includes easy to apply interventions and the opportunity to ask questions.

The sessions are delivered online via zoom by Jane Keyworth,

Lead Facilitator at FACE

7:00pm - 8:30pm

£24 each

[BOOK NOW](#)

FREE talk for parents

22 October 7-8pm

If you don't have time to listen

Just book online and receive a link to the recording available for 48 hours



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