



Dear Parents/Carers

Menu (w/c 16 March)

Week 1

Monday 16th March

Skylarks Mothers Day

Year 4/5 Swim

Tuesday 17th March

8.55am Out of School Achievement assembly – Oak & Beech

Jaguar Class Forest School

Wednesday 18th March

Year 1 Swim

No Year 3/4 Multisport club due to Gym & Dance Display

Thursday 19th March

8.55am Out of School Achievement assembly – Horse Chestnut & Sycamore

3.30pm Choir & Orchestra Spring concert in Junior Hall (for children in choir/orchestra & musical theatre)

Y1 Make the Rules Day

Book Fair

Friday 20th March

Deadline to book for the Junior School Discos

Red Nose Day – Make the rules

Year 1 to Boydells Farm

Book Fair



This week in School:

Year 1 have had an exciting couple of weeks as they became part of the life cycle of chicks. The children had the opportunity to watch the chicks hatch and were fascinated to see this happen in real time. They also observed the chicks closely during their first week of life, learning how they grow, change and begin to develop. This hands-on experience sparked lots of curiosity and thoughtful questions, making it a memorable learning experience for everyone.

We absolutely loved welcoming all the infant mummies into school this week! We hope you had a fantastic morning with your child. Our school fundraising makes events like this possible, and we're so grateful for your support.

Comic Relief

Children from our School Council have decided that, to raise money for Comic Relief, they will be holding a **"Make the Rules Day."** Please see the attached poster for the list of fun rules the children have chosen.

Families can donate for their selected rules via **SchoolMoney**.

The event will take place on **Friday 20th March (Red Nose Day)**. We're looking forward to a day of fun, creativity, and fundraising!

Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Raffle

Our annual Easter Egg hunt takes place during the school day in the last week of term (parents do not attend but photographs will be on the website). The children will have great fun hunting for clues and finding some treats on the way! The cost of this is £1.50 per child and is payable on SchoolMoney. As always if you wish to support another child there is the option to do so in the shop section of SchoolMoney.

On Friday 27th March we will also be holding an Easter Raffle as part of our fundraising – **each class will hold their own raffle with several Easter themes prizes available in each class. Tickets cost £1.00 and can be purchased from the shop section of SchoolMoney by Wednesday 25th March.** There is no limit on the number of tickets you can purchase however please make sure you purchase under the correct child. **Cash cannot be brought in on the day for this event.**

Parent Forum Meeting & RHSE Parent Consultation

Our next Parent Forum meeting will be held on Friday 24th April at 2.30pm. There will be a slightly different format to this meeting as we will be consulting with you on the development of our updated RHSE curriculum. This is an opportunity for you to share your views, ask questions, and help shape the content we will be teaching. If you would like to attend, please let us know. *(Parent reps have already been informed and do not need to respond.)*

Book Fair

We are holding our annual Book Fair after school in the library on Thursday 19th, Friday 20th and Monday 23rd March. Please arrive via the main office entrance.

The fair will be open until 4.30pm each day, so you can even pop in after a club.

Please note that we are unable to accept cash – card payments only, please.

The school receives a commission on all books purchased, so by buying a book you are also helping us replenish and refresh our library stock. Thank you for your support!

Inconsiderate Car Parking

Recently we have received several complaints from local neighbours, so we kindly ask all parents to park considerately and ensure driveways and access points are not blocked.

Golden Acre Car Park

Following recent security changes at the Golden Acre car park, the gate will now be locked when there are no hall bookings. We know many parents value using the car park at drop-off and pick-up, as it helps ease congestion and keep everyone safe.

Golden Acre has kindly agreed to let us continue using the car park, but this is only possible if we can open the gate for around 30–40 minutes at the start and end of each school day. **The key must be collected from the school office each day and returned once the gate is locked.**

We need volunteers to unlock the gate before drop-off and lock it again after parents have left, and the same at pick-up. This keeps the car park secure and prevents vehicles being left for long periods.

We already have a volunteer for Tuesday and Wednesday after school, and we know others had offered previously—please get in touch again if you can help. With enough volunteers, we can keep the car park available at both drop-off and pick-up.

INFANT SCHOOL



Easter Hat Parade – INFANT CHILDREN ONLY

We are looking forward to our Easter Hat Parade on Friday 27th March at 8.55am in the Infant playground. All families and preschool children are welcome to come along and watch. This only lasts around 10 minutes. All Infant children get to wear an Easter hat they have created at home & parade through the infant playground. There will be no reading morning on this day.



JUNIOR SCHOOL

Junior School Easter Disco

Our Junior Easter disco will take place on Thursday 26th March at the times detailed below. There will be no Junior School after school clubs or squads on this day. Tickets can be purchased on SchoolMoney and must be booked **by Friday 20th March**. If your child has an EHCP and receives 1-to-1 support, please contact the office if they wish to attend the disco, as we will need to arrange the appropriate provision. You will be unable to book until you have spoken with the office. **Late bookings cannot be accepted under any circumstances as we need to arrange staffing/print fire lists etc.** Tickets cost £3.50 and will include an Ice Lolly for all children.

Year 3 & 4 – 4.00 – 5.00pm

Year 5 & 6 – 5.15 – 6.15pm

Our pocket money stall is always popular and so we will be offering this again. Children may bring some pocket money (suggested amount of no more than £2.00 – we will not be able to give change) to purchase items in our shop.

Alternatively, you can pay £2.00 on SchoolMoney if you don't have cash and we keep a list of those who have spending money. Again, the deadline for this is Friday 20th March.

Out of School Achievement Assemblies

We are delighted to be holding another Out of School achievement assemblies for children in Years 3-6. These assemblies give children the opportunity to share their outside school successes with their peers. The kind of successes we would like to hear about should relate to out of school activities or clubs the children attend (such as Brownies/Cubs/Dance/Football/Swimming etc rather than home achievements such as learning to ride a bike or baking a cake). If your child wishes to take part in this assembly you must complete the form by Monday 16th March

Oak & Beech. Tuesday 17th March - [Out of School Achievement Assembly Oak & Beech. Tuesday 17th March 2026 \(2\) – Fill out form](#)

Horse Chestnut & Sycamore - Thursday 19th March - [Out of School Achievement Assembly Horse Chestnut & Sycamore - Thursday 19th March – Fill out form](#)



REMINDERS

Please find below the timetable for PE for the second half of the spring term.

Spring Term – Second Half	PE	Swimming	Forest School
EARLY YEARS	Tuesday & Friday	n/a	n/a
YEAR 1	Tuesday	Wednesday	n/a
YEAR 2	Wednesday & Friday	n/a	n/a
YEAR 3	Monday & Thursday	n/a	n/a
YEAR 4	Tuesday	Monday	n/a
YEAR 5	Thursday	Monday	Orangutans – Tuesday 3 rd March Jaguars – Tuesday 17 th March
YEAR 6	Wednesday & Friday	n/a	n/a

- Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on their PE days.
- Year 2 children should also wear their PE kit to school with their swimming costume on underneath on swimming days.
- Year 4/5 children should wear their school uniform on Swimming days and bring their swimwear to change into at the pool.

Squads and Wet weather

Just a reminder that if it is raining on a morning the following clubs/squads will be cancelled (as we do not have an indoor space available)

Monday – Year 3/4 Football Club

Tuesday – Netball Squad

Wednesday – Netball Squad

Thursday – Tennis Squad Y3/4

Friday – Tennis Y5/6 & Netball Squad

Reception Deliveries – A Kind Reminder

We’ve noticed an increase in the number of items being dropped off at reception during the school day. While we completely understand that things can be forgotten in the morning rush, we kindly ask families to consider whether these items are truly essential, as frequent deliveries can disrupt lessons.

Going forward we will only be able to accept and deliver the following items:

- Medication
- Glasses
- PE kits
- Swimming kits

Please note: Homework, planners, and reading books will not be accepted for delivery, particularly for children in Years 5 and 6, in line with SWCHS policy which does not allow items to be dropped to the classrooms. We hope this will support children in building resilience and independence.

If your child forgets their water bottle, please don’t worry — cups are available in classrooms so they can stay hydrated. However, having their own water bottle is always preferable.

FUNDRAISING

Amazon Wish-list

Lots of families have indicated that they do not have time to support our school by helping out at fundraising events but would be happy to purchase items needed by the school. We have therefore created an amazon “wish list” of additional items we would love for the children. The list can be accessed here, <https://amzn.eu/2G57jB4>. If you choose to buy an item – you do so via your own account but it is shipped directly to school. Thank you in advance! We are also very short on Glue Sticks!!! We would welcome any donations of Prittsticks!

Pre Loved Uniform

Should you ever need contact any preloved uniform please contact preloved@katherinesemar.net. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

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