



St Ann's Heath Bulletin No.18



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TRIPS & EVENTS

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS TO REMEMBER

- **Bags2School Collection – THIS Friday 27th February** - Please see Page 2 for full details.
- **Parents' Evening Appointments** - Please use your Sco-Pay account to book an appointment with your child's teacher for Monday 2nd or Thursday 5th March (4.00pm–7.00pm).
- **£1 Book Voucher** - your child will be bringing home a £1 book voucher today (a paper copy) - this can be redeemed at our Book Fair next week or in participating book shops.
- **Book Fair – Next Week** - Running Monday to Thursday, 3.30pm–4.15pm. Playground parking will be available from 3.30pm.
- **FOSAH Meeting – Thursday 5th March, 7.00pm** - Join us in person at school or online via Microsoft Teams. Click [HERE](#) to join us online. Everyone welcome – lots of exciting fundraising events to plan for the rest of the year!
- **World Book Day - Friday 6th March** - please refer to the email sent home on 13/02 (and see page 4).
- **Pre-Teach Sessions** - Please note there will be no Pre-Teach sessions next week due to Parents' Evening preparation. Sessions will recommence from Tuesday 10th March. The Pre-Teach session today Thursday (26th February) will run as usual.

TERM DATES 2026-2027

Some of you may have noticed that Surrey are changing the holiday dates in the next academic year 2026-27. They are introducing a 2 week October 2026 Half Term and reducing the length of the summer holidays. The dates are available on our [website](#) for you to see. We have not yet finalised when the 5 INSET days will be next academic year but will let you know in due course.

Year 6 JCA RESIDENTIAL TRIP

If your child is going on the Year 6 residential trip to Condover Hall, please ensure that payments are up to date. For families paying by instalments, the next payment is due now. Please also be reminded to complete the medical and dietary forms on Sco-Pay. If you are experiencing any difficulties with making payments or have any concerns regarding the trip, please speak to a member of the office team in confidence.

PE/Games days for Spring Term 2026

Lower School (Yrs3 & 4) - Wednesdays & Thursdays

Year 5 (All Classes) - Tuesdays and Fridays

Year 6 - Bronte - Mondays and Wednesdays

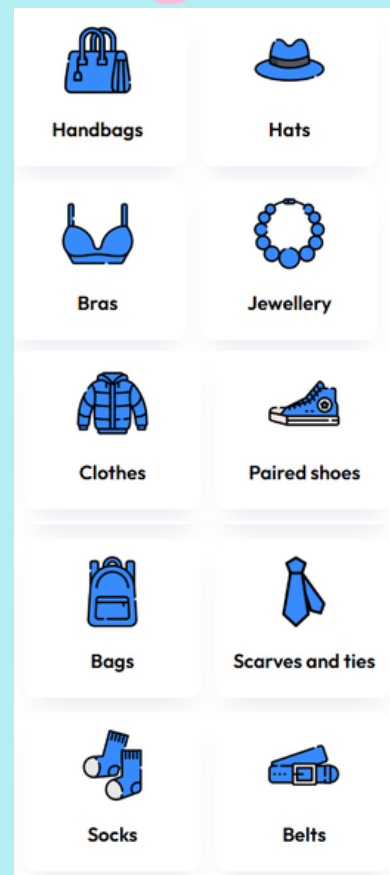
Seuss - Mondays and Thursdays

(Seuss have changed from Wednesdays to Thursdays for this half term)

Austen - Mondays and Fridays

Please check the days above as this is when your child will need to wear their PE kit to school (bringing school shoes & extra socks)

NEXT COLLECTION DATE
Friday, 27th February



Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 1999 it has now paid out over £48 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert good quality unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However, it is a fact that as a nation we still send 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate good quality unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts and handbags, (please refer to <https://bag2school.com> for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

You can fill the donation bag (which will be coming home shortly) and if you still have more then you can use any other large bags (e.g. black sacks) to donate your items. Don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from St Ann's Heath on FRIDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to school **DROP OFF** on that day and help us have a really good collection.



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PARENTS' EVENING


2ND MARCH 4PM - 7PM

AND

5TH MARCH 4PM - 7PM

**10 MINUTE APPOINTMENTS ARE
NOW BOOKABLE VIA YOUR
SCO-PAY ACCOUNT**

**Children from Years 5 & 6 are encouraged
to attend the appointments with their
parent(s)**





We would like to say a sincere thank you to all parents who have kindly made a financial contribution to our School Voluntary Fund. Your generosity enables us to enrich the children's learning experiences and bring elements of the curriculum to life through engaging, hands-on activities.

During the Autumn term, part of your contributions were used to restock our Practical Room with essential cookery and baking equipment. All children will have the opportunity to use the Practical Room during the Spring and Summer terms as part of their cooking curriculum.

Across the school, your support has helped enhance a wide range of exciting learning opportunities:

- Lower School pupils explored cooking and nutrition by experimenting with biscuit recipes, considering flavours and textures, and developing practical skills such as measuring, mixing, budgeting and working safely. They also brought history to life through prehistoric art, using charcoal, pigments, oats, lentils, sand and flour to recreate cave-art styles, experimenting with colour mixing and mark-making techniques.
- Year 5 pupils investigated mixtures and solutions in Science and designed and created electrical "Doodlers" in DT, completing product analysis and evaluations alongside their practical work.
- Year 6 pupils explored macro photography in Art, capturing extreme close-ups of fruits and vegetables to study their intricate structures. In DT, they designed and sewn waistcoats for their teddies, developing both creative design and sewing skills.

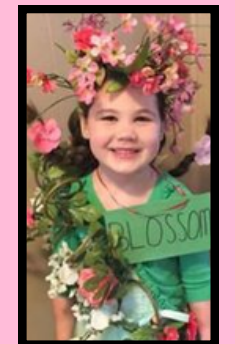
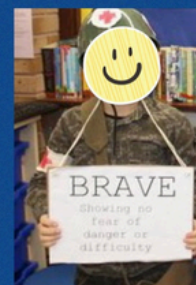
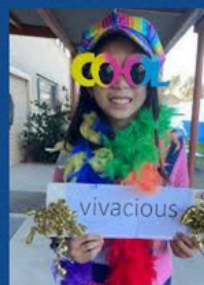
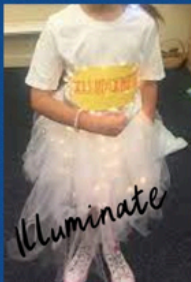
As a school, we truly value every contribution, regardless of size. With school budgets continuing to face increasing pressures, voluntary donations make a meaningful difference and help us maintain the high-quality curriculum and wider learning experiences that we are committed to providing.

If you would like to contribute to the School Voluntary Fund, please visit your ScoPay page for the relevant link. Further information will also be shared shortly.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

DRESS AS A WORD

Friday, 6th March



To celebrate World Book Day we are asking everyone to 'Dress as a Word' on Friday, 6th March - for more details see the email sent home on 13/02.



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BOOK FAIR

Monday, 2nd to Thursday, 5th
March 2026

3.30pm till 4.30pm

We will be hosting a Book Fair in
school

The playground will be open each
day from 3.30pm for parents to
park on.

Don't forget it is Parents' Evenings
on the 2nd and 5th March too so do
leave some time to visit the book fair
on your way to your appointment.

Electronic payments only- no
cash



ART CLUB



UNLEASH YOUR INNER ARTIST!

JOIN THE SAINT ANNE'S HEATH ART CLUB

"Every child is an artist." — Pablo Picasso

"Hello budding artists! We are inviting you to join us at Art Club! We have lots of fun with all sorts of arts and crafts, and you'll get to bring home something wonderful every week. Don't think you're 'artistic'? Don't worry! Art Club isn't about being "perfect" - it's about giving it a go. We're here to help every step of the way, and we guarantee you'll surprise yourself with what you can create.

Pottery & Claywork

Drawing & Painting

Model Making & Repurposing Junk

Sewing, Crafting & Pyrography

And much more!

Sessions are £8 each and paid on a 5/6 week basis
(Depending on the half term)

What to do next? If you are interested, just email us at

artclub.surrey@gmail.com

Michele and Denise

ONLINE SAFETY - ONGOING REMINDER

We are increasingly seeing the impact that out-of-school online activity can have on children's wellbeing and friendships in school. **We would like to remind parents and carers of the importance of actively monitoring children's mobile phones and devices. Regular checks of messages, group chats, apps and media folders are essential.** Children of primary age are not yet developmentally ready to manage the complexities of online communication independently, and without close supervision situations can quickly escalate.

Please ensure you are aware of the age restrictions on apps and social media platforms. Many popular apps, including WhatsApp, Instagram, Snapchat and TikTok, have a minimum age requirement of 13+. These limits are in place to protect children from inappropriate content, contact from others, and features that are not designed for younger users.

If parents feel their child needs a mobile phone at this young age, it is vital that they fully understand the guidance and clear parameters that must be in place – including robust parental controls, daily monitoring, and strict rules around app use and group chats.

We would also like to remind families that children do not need mobile phones in school. Phones should only be brought in if a child is walking off site independently and parents feel it is necessary. In these cases, devices must be switched off on entry to the school grounds and handed in to the class teacher in line with school policy. Safeguarding is a shared responsibility, and your vigilance at home plays a crucial role in keeping all children safe.

Thank you for your support.



Dates for your diaries



DATE	EVENT
Friday, 27 th February	Bags2School Collection today - see page 2
Monday, 2 nd March	Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (bookable via Sco-Pay from 6pm on 13/02)
Thursday, 5 th March	Parents' Evening 4pm-7pm (bookable via Sco-Pay from 6pm on 13/02)
Thursday, 5 th March	FOSAH Meeting at 7pm (in school & on Teams) - click HERE to join online - Everyone welcome!
Friday, 6 th March	World Book Day Celebration (please refer to email sent on 13/02)
Monday, 9th to Wednesday, 11th March	Year 5 Residential Trip to Hooke Court
Monday, 23 rd March	2.15pm - Rocksteady Concert to parents
Friday, 27 th March	1.30pm Break up for Easter Holidays
Monday, 13 th April	SCHOOL CLOSED - INSET DAY
Tuesday, 14 th April	Back to school - Summer Term starts TODAY
Thursday, 16 th April	Class Photos being taken today
Monday, 11 th May to Thursday, 14 th May	Year 6 SATs Week in school
Week beginning 18 th May	Y6 Bikeability Course taking place this week
Friday, 22 nd May	INSET DAY - School Closed
Monday, 25 th May to Friday, 29 th May	Half Term
Sunday 14 th June to Wednesday, 17 th June	Year 6 Residential Trip to Condover Hall