William Cobbett Bulletin 11th September 2026

Message from Mr Stear

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new academic year and to the first bulletin of the year. This year we will be sending out the bulletin every 2 weeks, to ensure you aren't overloaded with information, and the bulletin has a good amount of content.

I have been really proud of how well the children have settled into school, whether in Reception, Year 3 or any other year group. It has been great visiting classes and seeing the children learning, concentrating and following our school rules and routines so well.

On the subject of routines, now is a good time to set the expectation at home about daily reading, times table rockstars (if you've had your child's login), and completion of home learning. Whilst I don't want these to become a source of tension in anyone's household, the benefits for our children of completing their home learning can be significant, ensuring things they have learnt in school are retained in their long-term memory. It is also a good way of introducing some new learning ahead of the following week, building children's confidence and curiousity.

I hope you all have a good weekend!

Mr Stear and all at WCPS

Attendance

Penalty Notices

Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your child/children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the

Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer per child, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.

Uniform

There appears to have been a slight increase in pupils attending school without correct uniform and therefore, we will be checking more closely each day. Please can you check the uniform your child is wearing each day, where a child is not in the correct uniform, the school will be sending a reminder email home and teachers have been asked to send the child to the office, where we will provide correct clothing. In the instance that a child has unsafe or inappropriate jewellery, we will ask them to remove it, put in an envelope and store it safely until home time .

A reminder of our uniform policy:

School Uniform

- **Long grey straight legged trousers with grey socks OR Grey skirt, pinafore dress or culottes with grey tights or long white or grey socks (not trainer socks)**
- **School purple v neck sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo**
- ***Infants & Woodland Centre: White polo shirt (school logo optional *)**
- **Juniors: White long or short sleeved shirt and purple school tie ***
- **Black sensible shoes (not trainers)**
- **Warm/waterproof coat**
- **Grey shorts and Summer dresses are permitted until October half term**

P.E. kit

- **School purple PE T-shirt with school logo***

- **Plain black shorts or plain black cycling shorts (just above the knee) for indoor PE**
- **Navy tracksuit (jogging bottoms and sweatshirt) - plain (with or without logo)**
- **Trainers for outside**

Jewellery

- **Jewellery is not allowed, with the exception of wrist watches (not smart watches), which must be permanently named.**
- **Only stud earrings are permitted, and they must be small, plain, round, silver or gold studs.**
- **Children must be able to remove earrings themselves for P.E. or they will not be allowed to take part.**

If you decide to have your child's ears pierced, please do this at the start of the summer holiday as it can take six weeks for the ears to heal.

Hair

- **Sensible and appropriate haircuts are required for school. No 'tramlines' or close shaved cuts are allowed. All long hair should be tied back at all times using plain hair accessories, purple, navy, black or brown.**
- **No nail varnish or make-up is allowed.**

I appreciate your understanding and support with this.

Breaktime Snacks

We have a healthy eating snack policy at school. Infant children are provided with a piece of fruit each day as part of a government initiative started some years ago. They do not need to bring anything from home. Children in Y3 - Y6 bring in their own snacks which can be fruit, vegetables, plain breadsticks or plain rice cakes. Please send your child in with one of these snacks rather than items such as Ritz or Cream crackers or cheddars. Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

Drive Through/Parking

The drive through is only available for parents to drop off and collect if you have already contacted the school stating your exceptional reasons, or if your child is attending Allsorts or

any of our school clubs, but we ask you to avoid the busy times of 8.20-pam and 3.05-3.30pm. All other parents need to park and stride.

Please be aware of the following when parking:

- **Do not park at Nuffield Health as this area is designated for staff and patrons only.**
- **Do not park at The Elm Tree.**
- **Do not park in Millstream. This is a private road reserved for residents only.**
- **Please park considerately when parking in side roads around both sites, and avoid parking on the corner of roads or obstructing driveways.**
- **Do not park on the double yellow lines alongside the entrance to the school. Not only is this illegal but also disrupts the traffic flow along Weybourne Road.**
- **Do not make dangerous turns outside the area leading to the school gates. If you have not been granted permission to use the drive through, please find a safe drop off or parking area.**
- **If you are dropping off your child for morning clubs, please refrain from walking along the drive through as the area is in constant use and can pose a safety risk. Instead, we ask that you walk along the pavement outside the school and access the premises via the school exit.**
- **If you have been granted permission to use the drive through, please adhere to the 5mph speed limit and avoid blocking other vehicles or staff bays.**

The safety and well-being of our staff and children is paramount, and to maintain a positive relationship with our residents and local businesses. We do understand that drop-off and pick up times can be very busy, so let us all work together to create a safer, calmer and more respectful environment for our school and the local community.

Thank you.

Useful Information

Upcoming Dates

September

- Monday 21st - Y6 Hooke Court Parent Meeting - 6-7pm
- Monday 21st -PTFA AGM- 7.30pm- The Ark- Infants
- Wednesday 23rd -Y3-Butser Farm Trip
- Friday 25th - Whole School Wellbeing Day- More details to follow!
- Monday 28th- Individual School Photos- children in smart uniform please- no PE kits
- Wednesday 30th- Y5 Fire Safety Training in class
- Wednesday 30th - Y2 Multi-Skills - South Farnham School- 4-5pm

October

- Wednesday 7th - Y1 Multi-Skills- Potter Gate- 4-5pm
- Monday 26- Friday 30th - Half Term

November

- Thursday 26th and Friday 27th- School Closed- WMAT Wellbeing Weekend

Term Dates 2026-27

Autumn term

Start of term	Half term	End of term
Tuesday 1st September *(Children start Thursday 3rd September)*	26th-30th October	Friday 18th December
INSET DAYS	Tuesday 1st September & Wednesday 2nd September	
WMAT Wellbeing Weekend (school closed)	Thursday 26th November & Friday 27th November	

Spring term

Start of term	Half term	End of term
Monday 4th January 2027	15th-19th February	Thursday 25th March
INSET DAY	Friday 19th March	

Summer term

Start of term	Half term	End of term
Monday 12th April	31st May-4th June	Friday 16th July
INSET DAY	Friday 28th May Friday 25th June	

Inset Days 2026-27

- **Friday 19th March 2027**
- **Friday 28th May 2027**
- **Friday 25th June 2027**

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Events Locally

THE THEATRE ROCKET
NEW SPACES AVAILABLE FOR
SEPTEMBER 2026!!
MINI STARS
AGE 4-7 YEARS
ACT ★ DANCE ★ SING
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FARNHAM HEATH END SCHOOL