



Dear Families,

We are delighted to share some exciting news about the leadership opportunities now in place for our older pupils at Town Farm.

Last week, we formally appointed our Year 6 Prefects. These pupils will be working alongside staff to set an excellent example across the school, supporting younger children, assisting with events and helping us maintain our high standards. They look exceptionally smart in their new blazers and ties and we are truly thrilled to have them stepping into these important roles. Their commitment, maturity and enthusiasm are already shining through and we know they will make us proud throughout the year.

In addition, we are pleased to announce the appointment of our House Captains and Vice Captains for our four houses – North, South, East and West. These pupils will take a lead in motivating their peers during inter-house competitions and fixtures, both sporting and academic. They will also play an important part in building teamwork and encouraging everyone to strive for their best.

Pupils across the school will continue to collect House Points not only in their PE lessons but also through a wide range of activities and achievements. These points contribute to the overall success of each house, adding a healthy sense of competition and pride.

We are so proud of the leadership qualities our pupils are demonstrating and look forward to seeing them thrive in their new responsibilities.

Kind regards
Mrs Shrimpton
Deputy Head

Dates for your diary

2025 - 2026 Academic Year

- 7 Oct - Fr Stuart visiting Year 6
- 15 Oct - Bude information for Year 5 parents and pupils @ 2:45pm
- 27 Oct - **HALF-TERM**
- 10 Nov - Pupils return to school
- 12 Nov - Parents' evening
- 19 Nov - Parent Workshop - Maths workshop @ 2:45pm
- 26 Nov - Parent Workshop - KS2 Reading @ 2:45pm
- 27 Nov - Open evening for prospective Nursery or Reception parents @ 4:30pm
- 3 Dec - Parent Workshop - Phonics (KS1)
- 4 Dec - Christmas Fayre @ 2:00pm
- 8 Dec - Years 2 & 3 Christmas Production @ 9am
- 9 Dec - Year 4, 5 & 6 Carol Concert at St Mary's Church @ 2pm
- 10 Dec - Nursery, Reception & Year 1 Christmas Production @ 9:15am & 2:15pm

(Dates subject to change)

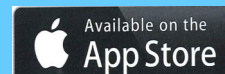
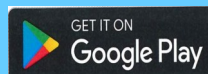
EYFS = Nursery & Reception

KS1 = Years 1 & 2 KS2 = Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

The Arbor App

Please check your contact details are up-to-date by logging on to the Arbor app.

The Arbor App is available on:



Highlights from the week

EYFS

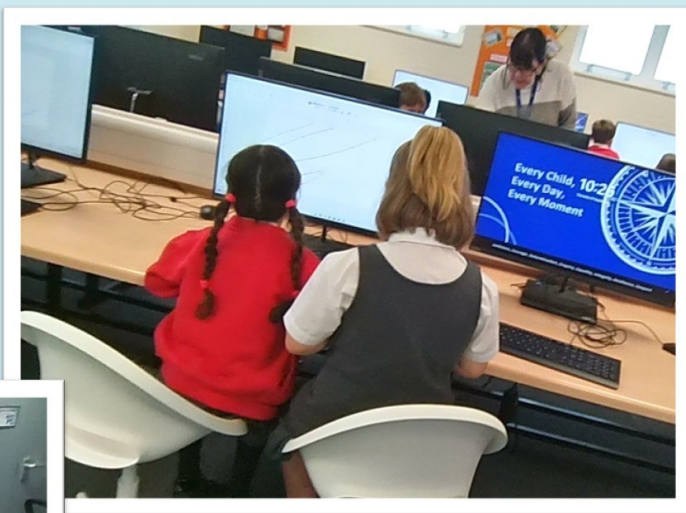
In Nursery and Reception we have continued our topic "To the Rescue". In Nursery they have been reading the Supertato story and exploring the vegetables from the story. Unfortunately, Evil Pea has been on the loose and has been taking the teachers things and putting them in jelly. He has also taken one of our cakes and put our poor puppy up on the lampshade with a plaster on his mouth.

In Reception, we have enjoyed starting the next story in our topic which is called 'Super Daisy.' We have drawn a picture of her and have discovered a new planet in the Solar System called 'Planet Pea' which is on course to crash into Earth. Thank goodness for Super Daisy who we hope can save us all.



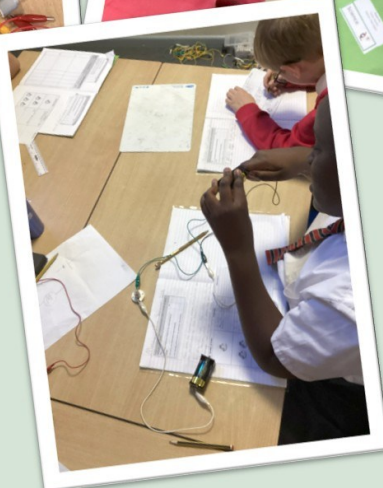
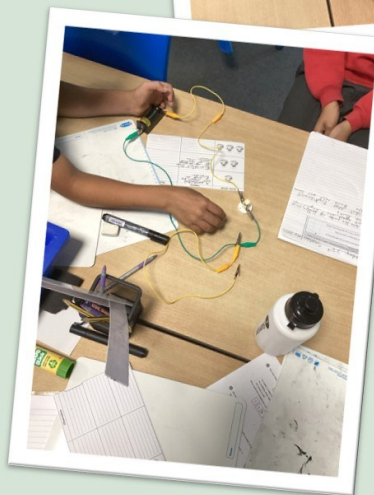
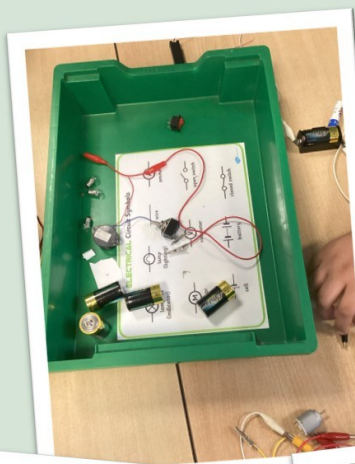
Year 1

This week, in Computing the children learnt to create and name their own digital work. Using the paint application the children were able to draw their self portraits and use the tools to create different shapes to represent their facial features.



Year 6

This half term Year 6 have been learning all about electricity. We have made posters to help people stay safe when using electricity. We then learnt all about the scientific symbols used when making circuits and carried out two investigations. Next week, we will be completing our unit by making our own torches. It will be ELECTRIFYING!!!



Year 5

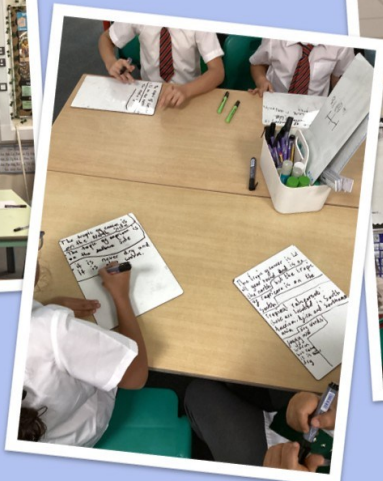
Pupils were challenged in Year 5 to identify images that had been edited or generated using AI. A fire-breathing dragon in the music room, sharks in the library, a giant squid on the roof and an alien landing on the field demonstrated one way in which AI can generate fake news. However some changes were not so easy to spot ... so our detectives set to work! It was surprising how deceiving some images were: combining multiple images, changing positions of people and colours meant that we did not identify 100% of the generated images. This further highlights the importance of being safe online and critical of images we see including their sources.

Every group had the opportunity to present their case to the class.



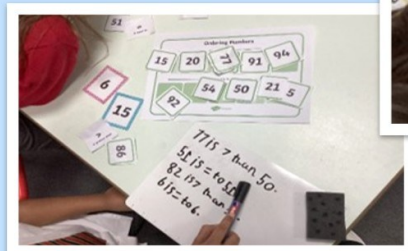
Year 4

In Year 4, the students have been studying weather patterns in tropical regions around the world. As part of this unit, they were assigned the task of delivering a weather forecast report to the class, focusing on the temperatures and geographical location they selected from the map. The students worked collaboratively to note down the relevant information and present their findings in an engaging and dynamic manner.



Year 2

In Year 2, we have been learning about comparing and ordering numbers using the concepts of "greater than," "less than," and "equal to." The children begin to understand the value of numbers and how to identify which numbers are bigger or smaller. Using visual aids like number lines and place value charts, the children practise comparing two-digit numbers and arranging groups of numbers in ascending or descending order. Activities include using symbols such as $>$, $<$, and $=$ to reinforce their understanding. This foundational skill helps develop number sense.



Year 3

The Great Monet Class Debate!

Should Milo talk to the passengers on the train?

Milo should talk because

Milo should not talk because

At the end of the debate, Monet class voted for the argument that that they had found the most persuasive. The motion was carried that, Milo should **not** talk to the passengers on the train, with a very small margin of 14 votes 'Against' versus 13 'votes For'.

Hello Yellow

FRIDAY 10 OCT

M&S | YOUNGMINDS

Friday 10th October

“you are”

NOT ALONE

“in this”

Mental health matters

BREAK the STIGMA

All pupils are invited to wear a hint of yellow with their school uniform next Friday.

Upcoming Parent Workshops - Autumn Term

Bude information for Year 5	Wednesday 15th October	Every year we run a residential trip to Bude in Cornwall where the children experience a wealth of different sports situated near a beautiful beach. Come and learn about all the opportunities they will have and what a worthwhile trip it is. (For Year 5 parents and children)
Parents Evening	Wednesday 12th November	Parent and teacher meets. Book an appointment with your child's class teacher to find out about and celebrate the progress they are making.
Maths Mrs Elias	Wednesday 19th November at 2:45pm	Come and find out how we teach our maths at Town Farm and how you can support your child's learning at home.
KS2 Reading Mrs Ravenor	Wednesday 26th November at 2:45pm	Reading with your children is a rewarding experience. Come and join us to pick up some handy tips and advice for improving reading both at home and at school.
Open evening for prospective parents of Nursery and Reception children	Thursday 27th November at 4:30pm	Come and learn about our school and all it has to offer. Ask questions about how we support your children in every area.
Phonics Mrs McKenzie	Wednesday 3rd December at 2:45pm	Phonics @Town Farm (KS1). How you can help your child learn with resources to take away from the session.
Christmas Fayre	Thursday 4th December at 2:00pm	Come and support our Christmas Fayre – prizes, gifts, refreshments and the ever popular bottle tombola.
Year 2 and 3 Christmas performance	Monday 8th December at 9:00am	Come and see your child's Christmas performance after drop off in the upper school hall.
Year 4,5 and 6 Christmas Performance	Tuesday 9th December @ 2:00pm	Come and see your child's Christmas performance in St Mary's Church Stanwell.
Nursery, Reception and Year 1 Christmas Performance	Wednesday 10th December @ 9:15am & 2:15pm	Come and see your child's Christmas performance in the upper school hall.

Site Safety

Please be mindful of where and how you park at both ends of the school day. Please do not block driveways or park on the yellow zig-zag line.



Please also note that the car park is for staff and authorised visitors only.



Please dismount your bike or scooter when entering the school grounds.



Reminder to parents/carers that the climbing frames are off limits before and after school.

Attendance Matters

Year Group	%
Reception	93.8%
Year 1	94.7%
Year 2	97.2%
Year 3	95.3%
Year 4	96.4%
Year 5	97.0%
Year 6	94.1%
Overall attendance to date	95.3%

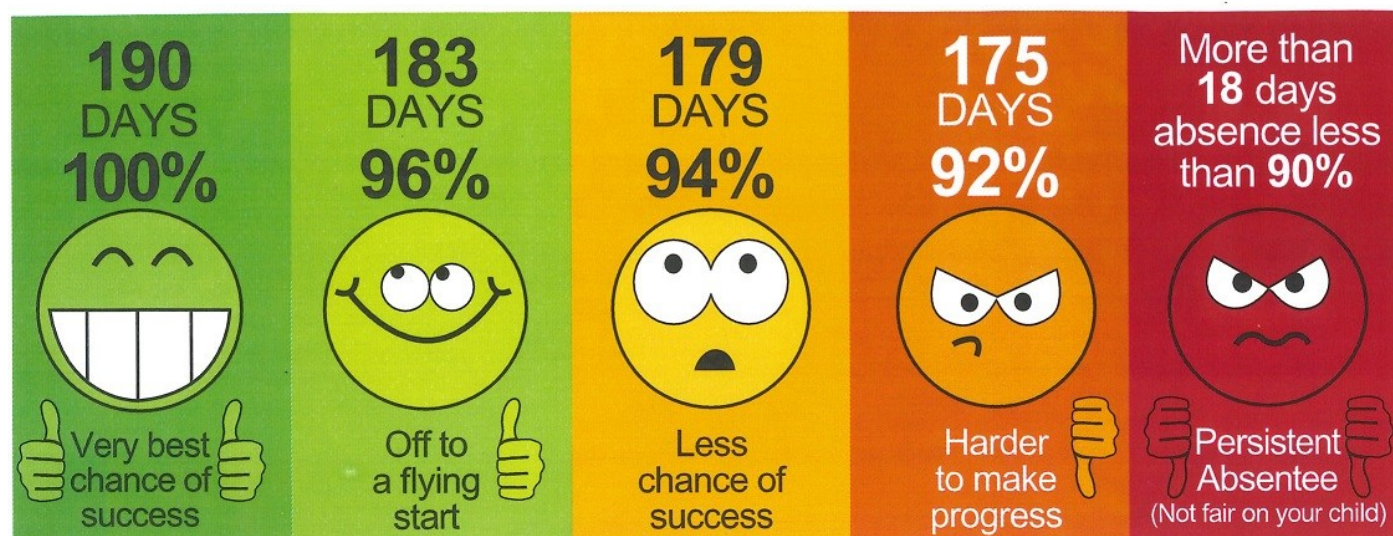
Statutory Notice

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their 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.

There are **190** days in a school year which leaves **175** days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.



Community News -

Community news is provided by outside organisations and Town Farm is not responsible for the content.

KIDS ACTIVITY HALF TERM CAMP




The TRUSTED place for kids to get out, play and make new friends!

DBS Certified Coaches

- £25 a day or £100 for the week
- Sibling weekly discounts available

Monday 3rd November - Friday 7th November
9:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m

For ages 5+

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW



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You Are Not Alone - Free Parent Online Drop-In

Parenting an autistic child can feel amazing, confusing, and overwhelming, sometimes all in the same day. That's why we host our **no-cost monthly online drop-in sessions** for parents and carers.

First Tuesday of every month
7pm - 8.30pm
Platform: Zoom



Erik Wagter - host of the drop-in

What these sessions are all about

We've created a safe, non-judgemental space where parents can bring their questions, share worries and connect with others who 'get it'.

Topics often included:

- Understanding and responding to challenging behaviour
- Making sense of autism on a deeper level
- The ups and downs of family relationships and dynamics
- Working with schools and professionals
- Meeting like-minded parents and realising you are not alone

What parents can expect to take away:

- Feeling heard, appreciated, and understood
- Knowing they are seen as the experts on their own child and family
- Feeling hopeful and having gained practical ideas

Who runs the sessions?

I'm Erik Wagter, co-founder of Autism Family Support Service. Alongside being a social worker, trainer and Solution Focused family coach, I also bring over two decades of personal lived family experience of autism.

If you would like to join please send an email to sallywagter@gmail.com and we will send you the Zoom link.

Autism Family Support Service
www.autismfamilysupportservice.com




Brand-New Holiday Club at Eclipse Leisure Centre this October Half Term!

Introducing Holiday HQ: Kids Fest

We're excited to announce the launch of a brand-new **Holiday Club** at **Eclipse Leisure Centre** this October Half-Term, run by Junior Adventures Group.

Children can enjoy JAG's **Holiday HQ: Kids Fest** programme - with a brand-new festival theme every day, packed with sports, crafts and challenges.

With safe, Ofsted-registered care and engaging activities, families can look forward to a holiday club that's fun, reliable, and great value.

Affordable Childcare, Made Simple

- ✓ £34 for a full day (08:30-17:30)
- ✓ £30 for a short day (09:00-15:00)
- ✓ No discount codes or limited-time offers - just straightforward pricing families can rely on

More Flexibility for Parents

48-Hour Booking Flexibility - cancel or amend bookings up to 48 hours before, across all JAG services: breakfast clubs, after school clubs, and holiday clubs.

What Children Can Look Forward To

- A brand-new festival theme every day
- Hero Activities that bring the theme to life
- Make & Take crafts to proudly bring home
- Skill Zone challenges that build confidence & curiosity
- A special Monsters & Mischief Halloween finale
- Ofsted-registered clubs: safe, high-quality, and reliable childcare
- Access to the Swimming Pool & Clip 'n Climb facilities everyday at Eclipse Leisure Centre!

Discover What's On at Holiday HQ Kids Fest
Book Now




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Strap in for October Half Term!
Eclipse Leisure Centre

