



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another positive week at school with a lively buzz around the building. Classrooms have been full of purposeful learning, enthusiasm and smiles and it has been a pleasure to see children so engaged and proud of their achievements.

At Town Farm, we remain fully committed to providing an excellent education and maintaining the very highest standards for all our children. This includes high expectations around behaviour, attendance and wearing the correct school uniform every day. These standards help create a calm, focused environment where every child can thrive. We appreciate your continued support in working with us to ensure children consistently meet these expectations.

Year 2 had a fantastic trip to Hampton Court Palace yesterday and we were extremely lucky with the weather. The children explored where King Henry VIII's food was prepared, visited the magnificent Great Hall where celebrations were held and learned about the types of food that were grown, cooked and eaten in Tudor times. They also loved spotting wildlife in the extensive and impressive symmetrical gardens, including fish in the fountains and lots of ducks and birds. The highlight for many, however, was seeing the herds of deer as we peered through the fences. Thank you to the staff team and volunteers who made the trip an excellent learning experience for all.

Today marked the final day of our chicks being with us and the children have absolutely loved observing them grow and develop. It has been a wonderful opportunity for firsthand learning and I would like to thank the staff team for making this possible.

We would also like to wish our Year 6 children the very best of luck in their SATs next week. They have worked incredibly hard and shown great determination and resilience. We are so very proud of each and every one of them.

We hope you all have a lovely, restful weekend and look forward to welcoming everyone back next week.

Miss Elliott

Deputy Headteacher

Dates for your diary

2025 - 2026 Academic Year

- w/c 11 May - Year 6 KS2 SATs
- 11 May - Author Visit & Book Sale
- 12 May - Year 5 Eton College
- 15 May - End of SATs Treat sale
- 19 May - Year R Dance performance & Family craft activity: Rosen AM @ 10:10am and Donaldson PM @ 1:50pm
- 19 May - PTA Meeting @ 3:30pm
- 20 May - Parent Workshop: Phonics Preparation @ 2:45pm
- w/c 25 May - **Half-term**
- 20 May - Sports Day (see below for timings)
- 22 May - EYFS Brilliant Bug Ball
- 1 Jun - Year 4 Multiplication Checks
- 3 Jun - Year 5 Wetlands
- 3 Jun - Bude Preparation for Yr 6 parents
- 8 Jun - Year 1 Phonics Screening
- 10 Jun - Class Photographs
- 10 Jun - Year 5 Maya Workshop
- 11 Jun - Year 3 Natural History Museum
- w/c 14 Jun - Year 6 Bude Residential
- 16 Jun - Wear blue for Holly's Heroes £1
- 25 Jun - School Readiness Meeting
- w/c 29 Jun - Dream Brighter Week
- 30 Jun - Secondary Transition Day (please check with individual schools as the date may differ)
- 1 Jul - New Nursery stay & play. Nursery closed to current nursery children
- 2 Jul - Prize Giving
- 3 Jul - Summer Fayre
- 6 Jul - Moving up day
- 14 Jul - Year 6 Gala
- 22 Jul - **END OF TERM (finish at 1:30pm)**

2026 - 2027 Academic Year

- 1 Sep - INSET Day
- 2 Sep - Years 1 - 6 Return to school

(Dates subject to change)

EYFS = Nur & Reception

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

Highlights from the week

EYFS

The children in Early Years have been enjoying spending more time outdoors as the weather has improved. They were excited to open the "bike wash," taking turns to clean all of the bikes while also having lots of fun playing with the water.

Reception have been busy planting beans, while Nursery have been growing cress inside beautiful "Very Hungry Caterpillars" inspired by our recent story. We are making sure they get plenty of sunshine and water so they can grow tall and healthy.

We have also continued our learning about farms as we finished our story, *What the Ladybird Heard*. The children worked collaboratively to create their own farm on the carpet, gathering animals and natural materials to bring it to life. To end the week perfectly, we were delighted to meet the chicks that hatched this week



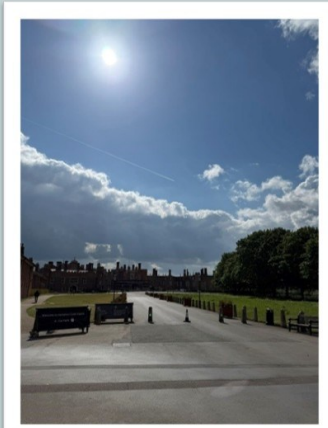
Year 1

This week, Year 1 had the exciting pleasure of handling the chicks. The children were respectful, attentive and caring towards the baby chicks. They were fascinated by their fluffy bodies and tiny beaks! The children worked collaboratively to handle the chicks with great care.

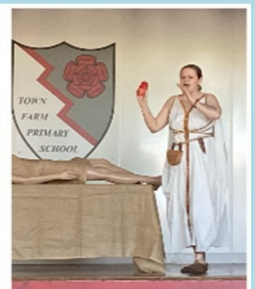


Year 2

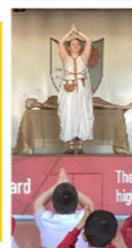
This week, Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful trip to Hampton Court Palace. During the visit, the children explored the kitchen gardens and discovered the different fruits, vegetables and herbs grown there. They were amazed by the size and splendour of the Great Hall and enjoyed looking around Henry VIII's grand apartments. The children also took part in an exciting workshop all about entertainment in Tudor times, where they learned how people had fun many years ago. It was a fantastic day full of learning and memorable experiences.



Year 3

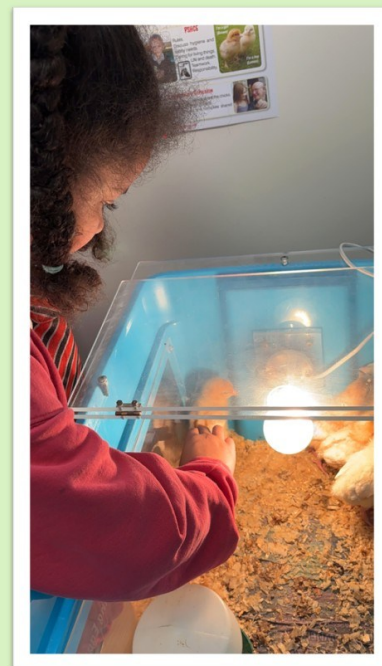


Y3's learning about the Ancient Egyptian civilisation culminated in an amazing all day Egyptian workshop, in which we: witnessed the mumification process, handled Egyptian artefacts, played contemporary games, learnt to write our names in hieroglyphs using ink on papyrus and made amulets out of clay. Exceptional fun and knowledge acquisition was the resounding success of the day!



Year 4

This week Year 4 were able to visit the lovely Town Farm chicks. We spoke about safety and how to treat living animals with care and respect. Some year 4's were able to hold the chicks and stroke them which they all enjoyed!



Year 5

Year 5 have been doing some outdoor learning in Maths this week. They have been using measuring implements like: trundle wheel, metre rulers, tape measure, protractors and rulers. They measured trees, leaves, bugs and the perimeter of the sensory garden.



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RILEY WRIGHT



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Author visit with Mel Taylor-Bessent

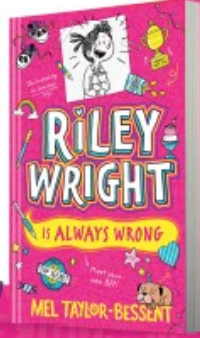
Mel Taylor-Bessent is visiting our school to talk about RILEY WRIGHT IS ALWAYS WRONG, a new diary-style series that's perfect for fans of 'Lottie Brooks' and 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid'

Meet local author Mel and purchase a signed copy for £7.99 - card payments only

DATE: MONDAY 11TH MAY 2026

TIME: 3PM ONWARDS

WHERE: SCHOOL LIBRARY

TOP SECRET

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YOUR PARAGRAPH TEXT

Charity no 877214




Everyone welcome!

Town Farm PTA invites everyone to the Extraordinary General Meeting to elect the new committee members.

Tuesday 19th May 3:30pm
Upper school hall

Interested in joining the PTA?
Come along to our EGM to stand for election or vote for the new committee.

Positions to be elected are Chair (or co-chairs), Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Committee members.
To nominate yourself please email pta@town-farm.surrey.sch.uk by Monday 18th May.

Childcare will be provided.

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Treat Sale

To celebrate the end of SATs week!

Friday 15th May

From 3pm
Lower playground shelter and Upper playground.
(if we have enough volunteers to man the stalls).

Volunteers will be needed from 2:30pm.
Please see Miss Gosling in Yr4 if you can help.

Donations of cakes and treats can be taken to the office on Thursday 14th May.
Please remember all items need to be NUT- Free

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Cash and card accepted.







International Week

School Dinner Menu

6th - 10th July



Attendance Matters

Year Group	%
Reception	92.0%
Year 1	93.9%
Year 2	95.8%
Year 3	94.5%
Year 4	95.9%
Year 5	96.3%
Year 6	94.9%
Overall attendance to date	94.8%

Best Attendance this week

1st Place - Zephaniah 99.1%

2nd Place - Hillary 98.7%

3rd Place - Darwin 98.3%

Most improved - Alhberg by 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:

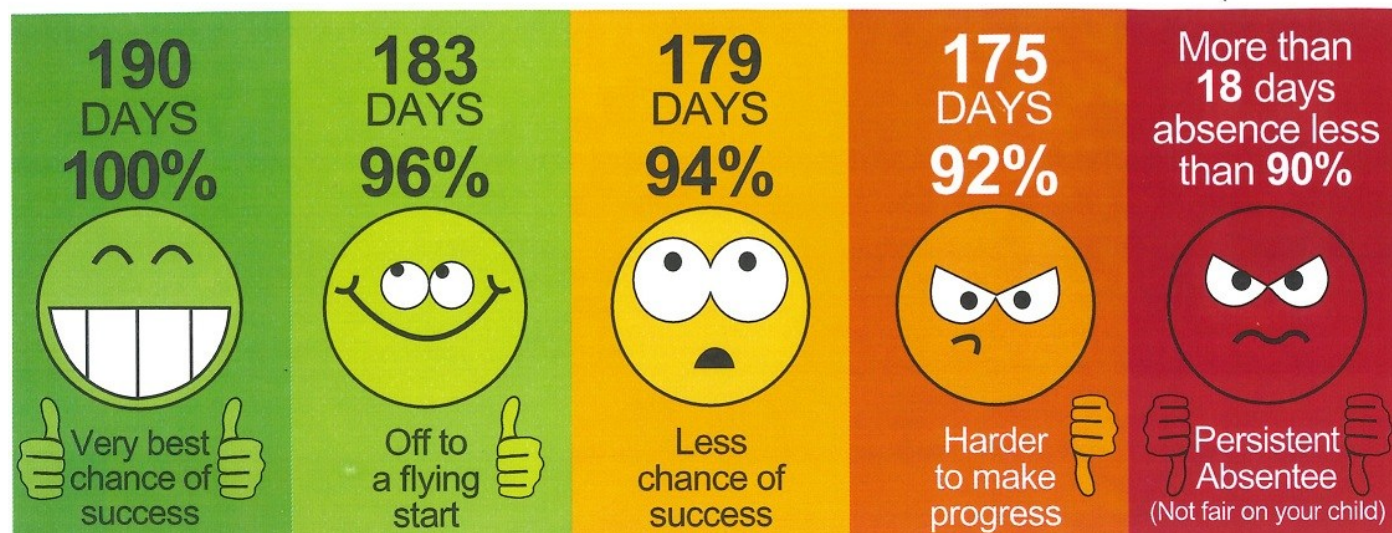
1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt 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.



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Mindfulness Pony Days For Kids

A magical day of ponies, riding, art, friendship and mindfulness

What to expect :

- Mindfulness time with ponies
- Pony care
- Riding and Mounted games
- Connect with arts and nature
- Make new friends

Dates:
28th and 29th of May 2026
Time: 9:30 am - 2:00pm
📍 Hillcrest Farm Riding School, Horsham RH13 6NX

Book Now

spaces limited to 10 children per day
£115 per child per day

By purchasing a ticket via eventbrite you are paying a £40 deposit. You will then be invoiced for the outstanding amount on the 15th of May

Links for Booking

[mindfulness_pony_day_28th_of_May](#) [mindfulness_pony_day_29th_of_May](#)

May half term fun



We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) we celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.

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