



## A word from Mrs Daniels

A very warm welcome to the new families who have joined us this term. It is lovely to see how quickly our new children are settling into school routines.

I hope that you all had a good summer break and fingers crossed that we shall continue to see more sunshine throughout autumn!

Thank you for working with us to ensure your child is in the correct school uniform. If you need any support with uniform items we have a pre-loved 'shop'- please chat to Sally in the office and she will point you in the right direction for anything you may need.

Do have a look through the newsletter as we have added class meetings to the diary and there is news about our new catering company and an inflatables day happening next week. In assembly today I will be talking to the children about naming our new houses—more information on this from Mrs Pateman on page 8.

## THIS WEEK

**Monday 8th Sep**  
Reception in for full days

**Tuesday 9th Sep**  
11+ practice paper

**Wednesday 10th Sep**

**Thursday 11th Sep**  
11+ test

**Friday 12th Sep**

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## Head lice

Head lice can spread very quickly when children are back at school so please take the time to check your children regularly and treat them as soon as you find any visitors.

In order to support with this we have taken any hats out of our OPAL dressing up and ask that any children with hair below chin length have it tied up for school. Thank you for your support with this.

## What a lovely start back! —Friday 5th September

Year 1	Arlo Bannister	Sam Green
Year 2	Brody Ferguson-Kennedy	Evelyn McLeod
Year 3	Isabella Phillips	Dylan Roberts
Year 4	Madison Thrift	Amber Hazell
Year 5	Jacob Steward	Barney Riley
Year 6	Alba Ortiz	Ethan Davison



### A message from Mrs Hunter

I feel incredibly fortunate to have taught at Cookham Rise Primary and am sending my deepest thanks to the children, staff, parents and governors for making my final day at school so very special. I am beyond grateful for the kind words, cards and generous gifts (not to mention the retirement tiara!)

I wish you all a happy year ahead and look forward to seeing you out and about in Cookham,  
with love, Mrs Hunter

## Calendar for term 1

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3 Staff training day	4	5	6	7
8	9 11+ practice paper	10	11 11+ test	12 2.45pm Years 1 and 2 class meetings	13	14
15 6.30pm Year 6 class meeting online 7pm Governing Body meeting	16 Choir starts today	17 6.30pm Meeting for Reception parents RWI	18	19 Inflatables day! 2.45pm Years 3 and 4 class meetings	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 2.45pm Year 5 class meeting	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 6.30pm Meeting for Reception parents—behavior and safeguarding	9	10	11	12
13 9.30am Governor finance meeting	14	15	16	17	18	19 Circus
20	21 Three workshops for Years 2-6	22	23	24 Staff training day	25	26

## Class Meetings

In order to give you the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and hear about the year ahead we have put class meetings in the diary which will take place in person on Fridays. We chose this day as we hope it means more parents can attend.

Year 1- Friday 12th September 2.45pm – 3.10pm in person

Year 2- Friday 12th September 2.45pm – 3.10pm in person

Year 3- Friday 19th September 2.45pm-3.10pm in person

Year 4- Friday 19th September 2.45pm-3.10pm in person

Year 5- Friday 26th September 2.45pm- 3.10pm in person

The side gate will be opened at 2.40pm on these days for parents attending the meeting to come in via the playground and go to the appropriate classroom. The children will all be in assembly at this time.

Year 6- Monday 15th September 6.30pm online

(Mrs Bond will send out the link via Seesaw)

## The Golden Boot Award



'The Golden Boot' will be awarded in our Over and Above assembly which takes place on Friday each week.

The award will go to a class where someone in that class or a group of children in the class (or the whole class) have gone over and above during our OPAL lunchtime. This may be with regards to e.g. tidying up, playing collaboratively, or showing respect. The winning class each week will have an extra 15mins of OPAL play the following week.

Huge thanks to Mrs Bown for constructing the award!

## Our new catering team—Edwards and Ward

We are delighted to welcome Edwards and Ward as our new school catering team. Catherine is our new cook and Sian has remained with us as our Kitchen Assistant. It was lovely to see the children enjoying their food.

More information about the menu, special diets and a newsletter from the caterers can be found on the school website but, for ease, here is a copy of the current menu.

	WEEK ONE	WEEK TWO	WEEK THREE
MONDAY	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) <b>or</b> Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Veg of the Day Chocolate & Vanilla Swirl Cookie (Ve)	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) <b>or</b> Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Veg of the Day Vanilla Snap (Ve)	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) <b>or</b> Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges (V) Veg of the Day Lemon Biscuit (Ve)
TUESDAY	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice <b>or</b> Classic Mac & Cheese (V) Veg of the Day Apple Cake (V)	Italian Sausage Pasta Bake <b>or</b> Penne with Garden Bolognese (Ve) Veg of the Day Jaffa Cake Sponge (V)	Sausage with Mash & Gravy <b>or</b> Sausage with Mash & Gravy (Ve) Veg of the Day Oaty Apple & Rhubarb Crumble (Ve) with Custard (V)
WEDNESDAY	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <b>or</b> Loaded Yorkshire with Roasties (V) Veg of the Day Fruity Jelly (Ve)	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <b>or</b> Toad in the Hole with Roasties & Gravy (V) Veg of the Day Fruity Jelly (Ve)	Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy <b>or</b> Butternut Squash Hot Pot with Roasties (Ve) Veg of the Day Fruity Jelly (Ve)
THURSDAY	Homestyle Sausage Roll with Mash & Gravy <b>or</b> Plantastic Balls with Mash & Gravy (Ve) Veg of the Day Flapjack (Ve)	Cottage Pie <b>or</b> Golden Topped Cottage Pie (Ve) Veg of the Day Flapjack (Ve)	Penne with Beef Bolognese <b>or</b> Sweet Potato Korma with Rice (Ve) Veg of the Day Choco Krispie Bite (Ve)
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers <b>or</b> Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <b>or</b> Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips (Ve) Veg of the Day Banoffee Crumble (Ve) with Custard (V)	Fish Fingers <b>or</b> Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <b>or</b> Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips (Ve) Veg of the Day Banana Custard Ice Cream (V)	Fish Fingers <b>or</b> Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips <b>or</b> Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips (Ve) Veg of the Day Banana Cake (V)
	1/9/25, 22/9/25, 13/10/25, 3/11/25, 24/11/25, 15/12/25, 5/1/26, 26/1/26	8/9/25, 29/9/25, 20/10/25, 10/11/25, 1/12/25, 22/12/25, 12/1/26, 2/2/26	15/9/25, 6/10/25, 27/10/25, 17/11/25, 8/12/25, 29/12/25, 19/1/26, 9/2/26
	<p><b>Classic Tomato Pasta</b> (Ve) and <b>Jacket Potatoes with a Choice of Filling</b> (including V/Ve options) are also available daily along with freshly baked bread, salad, fresh fruit, jelly (Ve), yoghurts (V) and fresh drinking water.</p>		

## Bikes

In the summer term we started to unlock the side gate early to allow children to bring bikes onto the playground. However, this sometimes led to children being left unattended on the playground.

This term, the gate will be unlocked at 8.40am as has happened in the past. If your child is attending Sunrise Club they can bring their bike into the office lobby. We ask that children using Kiss and Drop do not have bikes with them as we can't have bikes wheeled through the library. Thank you.



## Inflatables Day—Friday 19th September



The PTA have kindly paid for us to have inflatables in school on Friday 19th September (weather permitting!)

Children do not need to wear school uniform that day and I would encourage them to wear trousers or leggings and a long sleeved light top.

Every class will have some time outside to enjoy the inflatables appropriate for their age group. We look forward to some bouncing fun!



## Choir

Ms Hone has kindly said that she will continue to run our school choir and will do this on Tuesday mornings from 8.15am until the beginning of the school day. Any child in KS2 can come along and the first session will be on Tuesday 16th September.

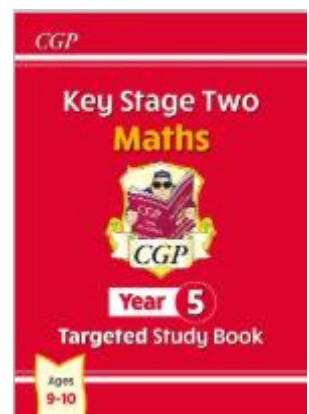
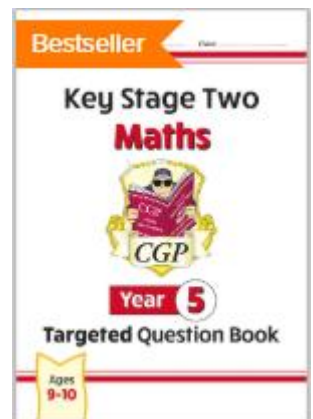


## Financial planners

To support with financial planning we will shortly share information about what is planned for the year ahead with rough costs. Year 4 parents have already information about swimming, Year 5 parents about music tuition and Year 6 about PGL.

In essence, we can only ask for payments to be voluntary, but if we do not have enough payments made we will not be able to run the trips. If you are in a position where you are not able to afford to support with things going on please do have a chat with me about it so that we can make a plan together.

Once again this year we will be using the CGP books for Maths homework in Years 3—6. Children will receive a question book as well as a study book which will be used for the year. We are able to buy them in bulk and get them at a discounted rate bringing the total to £4.00. This amount will be added to Scopay and we would very much appreciate your support in purchasing these. Thank you.





**ROLL UP, ROLL UP!  
ENTER OUR COMPETITION  
TO DESIGN THE FRONT  
COVER OF OUR CIRCUS  
PROGRAMME!**

**KEY INFORMATION:**

- CREATE A DAZZLING, FUN AND COLOURFUL A4 PICTURE
- HAND YOUR ENTRY IN TO YOUR TEACHER BY FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

**PRIZES:**

- WINNING PICTURE TO BE INCLUDED ON THE FRONT OF THE CIRCUS PROGRAMME!
- ONE WINNER PER CLASS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CIRCUS PROGRAMME!
- SMALL PRIZE FOR TAKING PART!



**DON'T FORGET TO USE THE QR  
CODE TO BUY YOUR  
CIRCUS TICKETS TOO!**

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