School News

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COOKHAM RISE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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A word from Mrs Daniels …

A big thankyou to Mrs Allcock, Mrs Cromarty and the Year 1 children who helped in the interviewing process last week for a maternity cover teacher. We were very fortunate to interview three candidates and are delighted to have appointed someone who we feel will be fantastic for the class. As soon as the necessary checks have been done we will introduce her to everyone.

Further good news is that we are having the Reception toilets refurbished over half term. Unfortunately, it is very expensive getting this work done so, although I would like all of them refurbished, we will have to work through doing them as budget allows.

As the weather cools please could you ensure that your child has a waterproof coat for school and ideally a pair of wellies. We try to ensure that the children have some time outside during the day in spite of the weather. Thank you for your support with this.

THIS WEEK

Monday 12th October

Year 6 height and weight

9.30am Governor finance meeting

Tuesday 13th October

Selected KS2 children –Try It festival

Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 15th October

Open The Book assembly

Friday 16th October

Selected Year 6 children - Young Ambassador training



A huge thank you to the PTA who have committed the money for us to install air conditioning in the four classrooms which don't have it —Years 1,2,4 and 5. This is scheduled to take place in February half term.

We are incredibly fortunate to be able to have this and it is all down to the amazing fundraising efforts of parents—thank you all!

Over and Above Awards—Friday 9th October

Reception	Louie	Pippa	
Year 1	Phia	Delia	
Year 2	Tiago	Jorgi	
Year 3	Myles	Evelyn	
Year 4	Felicity	Liya	
Year 5	George	Esmai	Sylvie
Year 6	Charlie	Oliver	

The Golden Boot Award Winners last week were...





Well done to Harley and Olive who have earned 15mins of extra OPAL for Year 5 because they consistently help with tidying brilliantly!

Calendar for term 1

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
19	20 Three workshops in school	21	22 6.30pm Meeting for Rec parents—reading, writing and maths	23	24	25

Calendar for term 2—more dates to follow

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
2 Nov Year 6 National Archive workshop online	3	4	5 School photos New parent tour	6	7	8
9 Year 6 primary maths challenge	10	11	12	13	14	**15**
16 Gov finance meeting 6.45pm PTA meeting	17	18	19 Year 6 emotional well-being training	20 Brief reports to parents (Years 1—6)	21	**22**
23 Happy Bags 7pm GB meeting	24 Parent consultations 3.30—6.00pm	25	26 Parent consultations 3.30—6.00pm	27	28	**29**
30	1 Dec	2 OPAL development day	3	4 Christas Fair 3—5pm	5 Christmas tree pick up day	**6**
7	8	9 2pm Rocksteady concert KS2	10 2pm Rocksteady concert Years 1 and 2	11 KS1 Kenton theatre	12	**13**
14	15	16 Christmas lunch	17 2.30pm KS2 Christmas concert	18 School finishes at 1.30pm	19	**20**

PE Update from Mrs Pateman

PE NEWS







Active 60

Year 2 had a fantastic morning at Altwood, testing their skills in throwing and jumping. The event is to promote children to be active for 60 minutes a day, showing it can be achieved with simple, fun activities.

Football

We have matches coming up for all our football teams, we wish them luck. We have lots of events this term so keep an eye out for letters but we tend to send them a week before so we don't get muddled with reply's.



Missing Kit

The girl kits have been located! Any stray boy kits please drop into the office. Thank you

Sorry to the girls...

Last week, the girls first matches for their league were cancelled last minute by Courthouse. Very annoying and disappointing for all involved. We will keep you posted regarding the rescheduled dates.

Up and coming events

- Try-It festival, KS2, Thursday 13th October. Intent: engage and try something new.
- Young Ambassador training, yr6, Friday 16th October.
- Football tournament, yr6, Wednesday 21st October. Intent: competition
- Football tournament, yr5, Wednesday 4th November. Intent: competition

Simon Mole and Gecko



Cookham Rise had a very special treat of having Simon Mole and Gecko come in to do an assembly of entertainment. There were songs and poems, for KS2 to enjoy. It was funny and the room was full of laughter. We thought that it was amazing, our favourite songs were the year six trip ,the spell to make the show go well and yo yo yo. There were ideas of year six's PGL trip being replaced with a visit to Elon Musk' s mansion. At least we don't have to stay in a urinal! One poem was about swimming with Merry River Turtles. Simon and Gecko also gave everyone tips on how to never give up!

The whole assembly was filled with games and no one was bored. We are inspired to write poetry more and not think that it isn't interesting or exciting. From pizza to football, you can write anything if you believe in yourself and know that you can! Cookham Rise are named in Simon Mole's book, Poetry Pizza, as they gave him great feedback for the book.

Freya, Josephine and Emily (Year 6)



playball

LEARN PRACTICE PLAY



PLAYBALL HALF TERM CAMP



For 3 - 9yr olds
9am - 3pm
£40 in Marlow, Sandyagate School

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DATES:
Mon 26 Oct
Tues 27 Oct
Weds 28 Oct
Thurs 29 Oct

ACTIVITIES

Playball Games
Obstacle Courses
Treasure hunts
Ball Skills
Arts n Crafts
Lego
Dance & Yoga

Book online www.playballkids.com

Half term rugby

🏉 October Half Term Touch Rugby Youth Development Camp 🏉

📍 Maidenhead Rugby Club, Braywick Park, SL6 1BN

📅 Tue 27 & Wed 28 October 2026

⏰ 09:30 - 15:00

🏉 Ages 5-17

Junior Touch Rugby Camps @ Maidenhead Rugby Club - All Camps 2026 (Parent/Legal Guardian Consent Form)



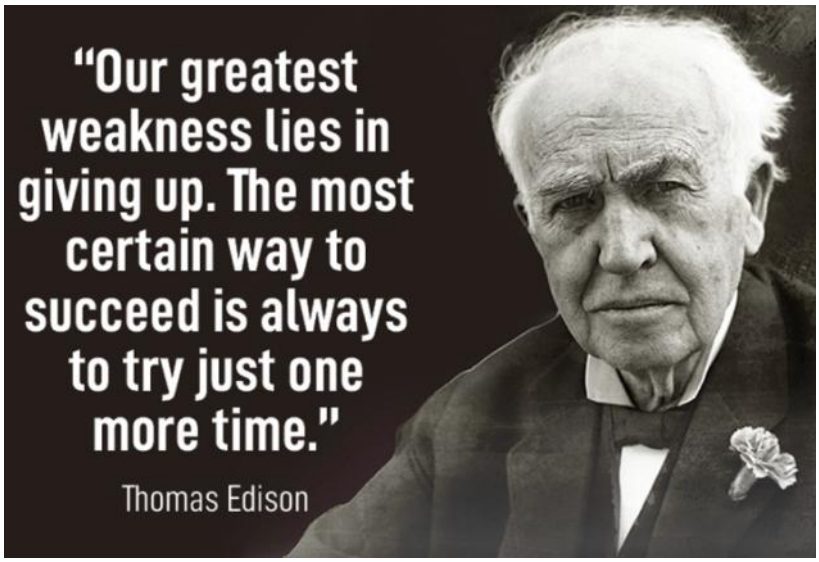
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