

COOKHAM RISE
PRIMARY SCHOOL



S.H.I.N.E

A word from Mrs Daniels

Well done to Year 4 who completed their MTC (Multiplication Tables Check) last week. It was done with no fuss, as tables practice is part of their routine, but my thanks to Miss Webb and the Year 4 staff team for their calm approach as well as to the children. This week we have the Year 1 PSC (Phonics Screening Check) which will also be calm and low key!

This term we will have PSHE units on sex and relationships. As the children move through KS2 this includes a deepening understanding of puberty and towards the end of the key stage the full cycle of life. If you would like to look at the resources we use then please come into school at 2.30pm tomorrow when I will be available to show them to you.

Mrs Rogers has organised for a woodwind ensemble to play to all the children in school at 10.45am on Thursday—there is some information that will then be sent to you about opportunities for your child to try an instrument.

Fingers crossed for no rain on Friday so our sports day can go ahead. If the weather is bad it will move to the following Friday.

Hester Bancroft is joining us to talk about resilience and what we can do to support our children on Wednesday evening. There is no charge for this but it would be helpful if you could let us know you plan to attend so we can organise enough handouts. Thank you.

THIS WEEK

Phonics Screening Check this week for Year 1 and some of Year 2

Monday 9th June

Tuesday 10th June

2.30pm Meeting for parents to look at SRE resources

Wednesday 11th June

7pm Hester Bancroft talk for parents

Thursday 12th June

Year 4 singing practice at Courthouse
Woodwind ensemble playing to the school

Yr 6 Commonwealth talk
Some Yr5 & Yr 6 Girls Dynamos Pinkneys Green

Friday 13th June

Sports day

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Over and Above Awards—Friday 6th June

Reception	Ellis Kibbler	Albie Thrift	Sam Green
Year 1	Imogen Rees	Myles Ojambo	Atlanta Foley
Year 2	Felicity Kibbler	Isla Rose Thornhill	
Year 3	Florence Morey	George Leathers	
Year 4	Josephine Beaney	Rhys Thornton	
Year 5	Edward Hughes	Henry Rees	Euan Sutcliffe
Year 6	Annabel Terry	Hugo Strudwick	

Cake sale—thank you



Many thanks from The School Council

We were overwhelmed by the generosity of everyone and are delighted to announce a grand total

of £146.98 for South Bucks Hospice. This figure includes £21 raised by Carys through her home made lemonade stall.

Richard Chalmers from the charity is coming to talk at a whole school assembly later this term. He will thank the children and explain where the money will be spent.

With best wishes, Mrs Hunter and The School Council

My thanks as well to School Council and Mrs Hunter for organising the event.



Calendar for term 6

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
9 Phonics Screening Check this week for Year 1 and some of Year 2	10 2.30pm Meeting for parents to look at SRE resources	11 7pm Hester Bancroft talk for parents	12 Year 4 singing practice at Court- house Yr 6 Common- wealth talk	13 Sports day	14	15
16	17 7pm PTA meeting	18 6.30pm Induction meeting for new Rec parents	19	20 Reserve sports day	21	22
23 Year 6 away at PGL	24	25 Year 4 music festival at the Hexagon	26 Years 4 and 5 at Oxford Science Centre	27 Mufti day for summer fair Year 1 at Braywick Nature Reserve	28 12– 4pm Summer Fair	29
30	1 Meet the new teacher morning New Reception induction (half the class at a time for an hour)	2 Years 2 and 5 Hayling Island New Reception induction—whole class	3	4	5	6
7 Year 6 road safety workshop Year 3 Copas Farm trip 7pm Governing Body meeting	8 Year 5 Garageband workshop with Three	9	10	11 Reports to parents Year 6 mock trial	12	13
14	15 Year 3 swan upping	16 Rec to Wellington Country Park 2.30pm Rocksteady Concert	17 Year 4 visiting Cookham dig 1.45pm Year 6 production to parents	18 Year 6 visiting Cookham dig	19	20
21	22 9.00am Whole school final assem- bly	23 9.00 Year 6 leavers' assembly School finishes at 1.30pm	25	26	27	28

Writing moderation

Every year the Local Authority moderate writing assessments in 25% of Year 6 classes across the borough. This year it was our turn. They chose a random sample of five books and agreed with all the judgements made but, even more pleasing than that, the moderating team commented on how much progress they could see in books. A big well done to Mrs Bond and all of our Year 6 children.



School Sport Partnership—a summary of last year

We buy into the partnership each year and as a result have access to a huge range of competitions, participation events and training. My thanks to Mrs Pateman, our PE Lead, for all the work she does on this, supported by all the staff team but particularly Mrs Bown. Thank you all!

SSC **ASCOT AND MAIDENHEAD**
 School Sport Partnership

2023-24

22 Partnership Schools

52
Events

7332
Participants

52% Girls
15% SEND
44% BAME

SCHOOL GAMES

23 Events - 21 Inclusive
290 Participants - 306 SEND

Cricket Football Invictus Cross Country Badminton Netball Hockey Active 60 Min Tennis Foot Golf Panathlon Dance Pillo Polo Rugby Sportshall Athletics New Age Kurling Touch Rugby Badminton Golf Quadkids Athletics NEW Speed Stacking Fitness Boccia Fencing Baseball Basketball Olympic/Paralympic Festival Path to Paris Olympic Festival #Let Girls Play Football

Coaching
 16 Schools
 1978
 Participants

Primary Dance Festival
 22 Schools
 27 Classes
 782 Dancers

6 Silver
2 Bronze
#LET GIRLS PLAY FOOTBALL
7 Schools
80 Girls

School Games Mark
4 7 7 1
 BRONZE SILVER GOLD PLATINUM

Curriculum Dance Support
 22 Schools
 59 Staff Trained

NEW Training Resources
 Equipment Club Link
 Festival
 7 Schools
 9 Teachers trained
 Taster days-7 Schools-84 Children
 Festival - 6 Schools- 72 Children

NEW 2 Secondary
Transition Days
 596 Pupils
 Speed Stacking Sportshall Ath Cricket NAK
Primary YA Sports Leaders
 10 Schools
 55 Pupils

DRAWING PREVENTION WEEK
Open Water Safety Campaign
 1 School
 180 Pupils

NEW **National Fitness Day**
 20 Schools
 4036 Pupils

Live
 5 Courses
 30 Participants
Virtual
 9 Courses
 59 Participants

CPD
Including 4 Inclusion courses - 10 teachers
 Inclusion in PE; All About Autism, Youth Voice & Co Creation
 Embracing Gender Diversity
Schools Direct - 14 Trainee Teachers Trained

LEISURE FOCUS

KEY PARTNERS: - Public Health Berks - Lead Inclusion School - Leisure Focus - Get Berkshire Active - NGBs - Wallball
 Berkshire Cricket -Major League Baseball - Youth Sport Trust - Street Tag - RBWM- Leisure Services & Achieving for Children - Maidenhead FC

Plan for sports day—Friday 13th June



We will try to keep to these timings as closely as possible.

10.00 Gates open for families of Rec and KS1 children to come onto the field

10.15 Rec and KS1 races

11.45 Rec and KS1 back into class to wash hands etc

11.50 Gates open for families of KS2 children to come onto the field

12.00 All children come onto the field to have a picnic with their families

There will be no hot school meals on this day—grab bags can be ordered (these should show on Scopay after half term))

12.45 Children back inside for registration, toilet etc (Rec and KS1 stay inside)

1.00 KS2 activities

2.00 KS2 races

approx. 3.00 School finish for everyone

Year 6 obstacle race to take place later in the term

Reserve day—Friday 20th June

All children to please come into school in their PE kit.

Children in Reception and KS1 to wear their usual white tops.

Children in KS2 to wear a t-shirt in their house colour (if there are any problems with this please don't worry and we can provide a band in that colour for them to wear)

Reception and KS1 Sports day

The format will be the same as in previous years with the children doing a mixture of races and activities.

KS2 Sports day

Last year, children in KS2 were given the opportunity to vote for either keeping our system the same (competitive races) or to add in some activities in which the children can focus on their personal best and teamwork. The response from the children was overwhelmingly in favour of a mixture of races and activities. Therefore, we made a few changes to our sports day plan and are going to continue with this for sports day this year, however, the activities this year will be competitive and contribute to the scoring .

We will only be giving out medals and stickers for the races, teachers will be giving out points for the activities.

Children will need to come into school wearing their house colour top, PE bottoms and trainers. Please also ensure they have sunhats/sun cream as needed and a water bottle to take around the activities. At the moment BBC weather is indicating that it will be a hot day! Thank you.



Parents will be designated an area of the field (near the running track) to remain within for the afternoon. We politely ask that you stay within this marked area for the entire duration of the sports day and do not move around the activities. We do need all families to adhere to this , with a couple of planned exceptions, as otherwise it isn't fair on the children and it may be unsafe as the children are practising their throwing!

The children will then go back into school to gather their things and be dismissed from the playground as usual.

Roll Up Roll Up - The Circus is Coming to School!

We're thrilled to announce that on Sunday 19th October The Circus is coming to our school! Get ready for an unforgettable experience full of fun, laughter, and jaw-dropping entertainment.

Date: Sunday 19th October

Time: Gates open 12pm for Bar, BBQ and Circus themed games, Big Top show 2-5pm

Location: Cookham Rise School



Tickets: Early Bird Price £12.50 single or £40 for a family of 4* scan the QR code over page to purchase.

You will get to enjoy amazing performances featuring acrobats, jugglers, clowns, and more—all right here on our school grounds! This exciting event is something we hope everyone at School and the wider Cookham community can enjoy and we can't wait to share the magic with everyone.

Bring the whole family and friends and join us for a spectacular day under the big top!

Tickets are limited so we are opening ticket sales to Cookham Rise pupils and families first before we open to the other Cookham Schools and the wider community after May half term

We want everyone to be able to enjoy this special event, if any families feel they would be unable to attend due to the ticket price please speak to Mrs Daniels.



THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO COOKHAM RISE SCHOOL



SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER
GATES OPEN 12PM
BIG TOP SHOW 2-5PM

BBQ, BAR & CIRCUS THEMED GAMES
FROM 12PM

SCAN QR CODE TO BOOK TICKETS



EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT
£12.50 SINGLE
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£50 FAMILY OF 5



Hester Bancroft
Talk for parents about resilience
Wednesday 11th June 7 -8.30pm

This talk focuses on showing parents how to coach their child around the issues they may be facing. Through learning easily applicable techniques and strategies parents attending will learn how to empower their children by teaching them the art of good communication, problem solving and how to bounce back from life's hiccups. This talk covers:

The importance of building resilience in your child

The building blocks to resilience and how to put them in place

How to help your child to take responsibility for their relationships and their decisions

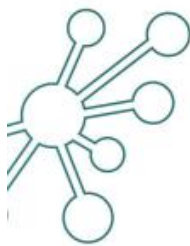
How to help your child deal with their worries and embrace new challenges

How to help your child move out of their comfort zone towards their goal



Maths

Well done to the staff in Reception and KS1 who have trained for and implemented this programme very successfully across the year, as well as some of the KS2 team who have used it as an additional intervention to support some of our KS2 children.



Work Group Participation

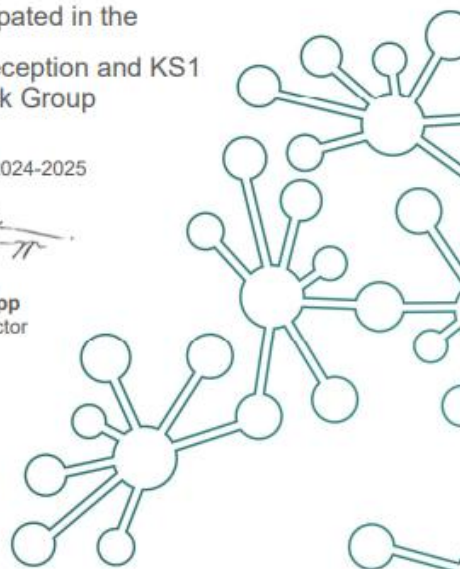
This is to certify that

Cookham Rise Primary School
BBO Maths Hub

successfully participated in the
Mastering Number at Reception and KS1
Maths Hub Work Group

Participation date: 2024-2025

Charlie Stripp
NCETM Director



**Year 4 will be performing on
Wednesday 25th June**



Junior Music
Festival

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES



Tuesday 24 – Friday 27 June 2025, The Hexagon, Reading



**FREE
ENTRY**

COOKHAM RISE PRIMARY

School fair

**12PM
-4PM**

**SATURDAY
28 JUNE**

**BAR
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AND MORE!**

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TOMBOLA TIME

**IN PREPARATION FOR THE SUMMER FAIR,
WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR
SUPPORT FOR THE TOMBOLA BY
DONATING
TOYS = KS1
BOTTLES= KS2**

**PLEASE DROP YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS
OFF ON 27 JUNE.
IT WILL BE A MUFTI DAY FOR THE
CHILDREN!!**

**YOU ARE ALSO WELCOME TO DONATE
BOOKS FOR THE BOOK STALL AT THE
SAME TIME**



Summer Fair

Cookham Rise Primary School is excited to announce the return of its beloved Summer Fair on Saturday 28 June from 12 – 4pm.

This annual event draws over 400+ attendees, with all proceeds going towards essential reading and educational resources, playground upgrades and enriching extracurricular activities for our children.

The highlight of the fair is undoubtedly the silent auction and raffle, featuring high-quality items generously donated by local businesses and parents.

Join us for a day filled with fun activities, games and entertainment, including splat the teacher, tombola, inflatables, Rocksteady school band performance and local vendors alongside delicious food, refreshments and much more.

Bring your family and friends to this community celebration—everyone is welcome, and your support makes a difference! We really need volunteers to make the day the best it can be, so if you would like to help out please sign up here: volunteersignup.org/4HT7K





**BOOK
SALE**

**WE KINDLY ASK YOU TO SET ASIDE ANY
UNWANTED BOOK SERIES OR CHILDREN'S
BOOKS IN GOOD CONDITION FOR THE BOOK
STALL AT THE SUMMER FAIR.**

**DROP-OFF DATE:
27 JUNE**

(MUFTI DAY) WITH TOMBOLA DONATIONS



A BOOK IS A GIFT YOU CAN OPEN AGAIN & AGAIN



Join the FREE Summer Reading Challenge at Your Local Library!

Dear parent/carer

We're excited to invite your child to take part in this year's **Summer Reading Challenge** – completely FREE at your local library!

What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge is a fun, **free** way for children aged 4–11 to stay motivated to read during the summer holidays. Children set their own reading goal and can read anything they enjoy.

Why should my child sign up?

One in four children hasn't reached the expected level of reading by the age of 11 and many will struggle to keep up at secondary school, despite reading for pleasure being one of the single biggest indicators of children's development.

The Summer Reading Challenge provides:

- Amazing way to **boost confidence** and **self-esteem**.
- They will be better **prepared to return to school** in the autumn.
- The Challenge **supports the move into a new year group**.
- The library provides **free access** to books and fun family activities all through the summer.

Your child will be part of a UK-wide programme developed by [The Reading Agency](#) and delivered in partnership with the [public library network](#).

*"We've joined the reading challenge for the past 4 years and every year it has inspired and encouraged a deeper **joy** for reading. For a young dyslexic **boy** the challenge helps make reading **fun**."*

Parent/carer of 6–7-year-old boy

How can my child take part? (Library or online)

At the library:

- Visit your local library to sign up.
- Set a summer reading goal and choose from books, eBooks, or audiobooks
- Receive a **special sticker booklet** and collect rewards for reading

Or online:

- Visit summerreadingchallenge.org.uk
- Sign up, set a reading goal, and get book recommendations

- Unlock digital badges and earn a printable certificate

When does it start?

- In RBWM libraries it starts on Saturday 12 July
- Use the [Find a Library](#) to locate your nearest library.

Don't miss out – head to your local library and sign up this summer!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact: advocacy@rbwm.gov.uk

Yours faithfully,

Kausar

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Open Evening

Thursday 2nd October 2025

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Open Morning School Tours

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Monday 23rd June 9.05-10.10am

Tuesday 8th July 9.05 – 10.10am

SEN Specific Tours available:

Monday 23rd June 9.30-10.15am

Tuesday 8th July 9.30-10.15am

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to book a tour



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'Pupils are friendly, courteous and polite. They say that they are happy and that they feel safe.'

- Ofsted 2021

Furze Platt Senior School offers:

- ▶ An inclusive education which is broad, stimulating and rewarding for all.
- ▶ Superb academic, sporting and arts facilities which create an aspirational learning environment for students.
- ▶ Our Tutor Groups to give students identity and belonging and includes dedicated staff, mentors and leaders who will support and help with students' development.
- ▶ Our Houses to encourage friendly competition and a sense of community.



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ACHIEVEMENTS



We want ALL of our children to shine!

Isla Thornhill, Maisie Field, Felicity Kibbler and Willow Barrat in year 2 competed in their first gymnastics competition at the weekend and all were delighted to come home with a medal or two! Well done to them all.



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A big well done to Emily and Alfie who played the piano at the Nicholson centre during half term. Well done both!

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