

School News

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COOKHAM RISE
PRIMARY SCHOOL



S.H.I.N.E

THIS WEEK

Monday 3rd February

A word from Mrs Daniels

On Friday we have our annual quiz night—thank you in advance to the PTA for organising this and to everyone who is coming along.

Mrs Hunter met with School Council on Friday and they shared with her the suggestions that children in each class had put in their suggestion boxes. Mrs Hunter will share more details in future newsletters about what we will do as a result of some of these ideas. It was great to see that many will be covered by our OPAL project but there were also ones which we probably won't be able to act upon such as having laser guns in school or a copybara farm! A school pet has been suggested and Mrs O'Mahony and I would certainly welcome a dog in our office ...

A reminder that we have Paul Hay in school next week for internet safety day. He will be working with the children during the day and then we have paid him to run a session for parents in the evening. Please do come along if you can. He will be happy to share slides but we are not sure as yet whether it can be filmed as this can be hard for presenters when they are running an interactive in person session.

Tuesday 4th February

MMR sport coaching—Year 3

Wednesday 5th February

RWI school development day

Thursday 6th February

Friday 7th February

PTA quiz night
Doors open at 7.15pm

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Scholastic book fair starts 3rd March 2025



Over and Above Awards—Friday 31st January

Reception	Enzo Spence	Fraser Heise- Seabrook	Leo Poulakis
Year 1	Florence Spiers	Erin Baxter	
Year 2	Freddie Abbott Reuben Martin	Courtney Steward	Gabriel Ortiz
Year 3	Alexander Reynolds	Amber Hazell	
Year 4	Rhys Thornton	Charlie Fardon	
Year 5	Alexa Roberts	Ethan Davison	Millie Martin
Year 6	Layla Bonner	Yui Shun Leung	

Calendar for term 3



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
3	4	5 RWI school development day	6	7 PTA quiz night Doors open at 7.15pm	8	9
10	11 Safer Internet Day— Paul Hayes in school 7pm evening internet safety session for parents	12	13 Year 3 dance festival	14 Year 1 toy event	15	16
HALF TERM WEEK						

OPAL news

We are planning on having a 'grounds day' in school on Saturday 29th March when we will be asking if adults can spare any time to help us care for and develop our outdoor spaces—please save the date.

We are proposing two time slots for the day:

9.30—1.00

12.30—4.00

There will be a range of jobs to sign up for and plenty of refreshments to keep everyone going!

One of the things we will be doing is building mud kitchens like the ones in the picture below so if you have any old kitchen equipment, small sinks etc please do keep hold of them for us.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs O'Mahony



Calendar for term 4

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
24 Feb Book Fair in school	25	26 Netball match v. Cookham Dean away	27 Year 6 - Eton College science and geography workshops 6—8pm Rotary Writing Competition Celebration event	28	1	2
3	4 Liz Flanagan (author) virtual session for years 3 and 4	5 Dassu virtual session for Years 5 and 6	6 World Book Day Fiona Barker (author) in school Rec and years 1 and 2 Oldfield football away A + B teams	7	8	9
10	11	12 Netball match— home	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 BBO computing hub event	21 Comic Relief National poetry day	22	23
24 Year 6 - National Reading Champions quiz 7pm Governing Body meeting	25	26	27	28 Brief reports to parents	29 Parents in school day	30
31	1 Parent consultation meetings	2 2.30pm Rock Steady concert	3 Parent consulta- tion meetings	4 Last day of term—finish at 2pm	5	6

Exciting opportunity- PTA Chair Role

Hello Everyone,

I truly can't believe this is my final year at Cookham Rise as a parent and a member of the PTA. Reflecting on the past six years, I can honestly say it's been an incredible journey filled with fun, collaboration, and a deep sense of community. Working alongside other parents, PTA members, school staff, and our local Cookham schools has been a highlight of my time here. As my time as Chair comes to a close, we are actively seeking someone to step into this rewarding role. I wanted to share a few insights to give you a sense of what the position entails:

1.It's the easiest role in the PTA!

Honestly, I don't do nearly as much as our amazing Secretary and Treasurer.

2.Chairing PTA Meetings:

The main responsibility is leading our one-hour meetings (only 6-7 per year). These are focused on ensuring our activities are productive and aligned with the school's goals and priorities.

3.Promoting & Supporting Fundraising Events:

Your level of involvement is flexible—you can do as much or as little as your time allows. We always have committees to help organise and run our annual fundraising events.

4.Approving Budgets:

This is a straightforward part of the role, as it's integrated into meeting agendas. Our wonderful Treasurer, Victoria, handles all the detailed work—you just need to provide a quick review and approval.

In truth, the Chair role is all about fostering collaboration and maintaining a positive and supportive environment. Together, we aim to create opportunities that enhance the educational experiences of our Cookham Rise children.

If you're interested or have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. This is such a fulfilling role, and I know it will be a rewarding experience for the next Chair.

Please text 07871124701 if you want to know more!

Best regards,

Pip Bradley

Internet safety talk for parents next week

ROBLOX

Special Parent Talk
Help to Keep your Child Safe Online

FORTNITE

Cookham Rise
7 – 8pm Tuesday 11th February

Our children live in the Internet Age. They love to use technology and play the latest games. However, it is not always easy for parents and carers to understand what they are doing and how we can help to do the right things to keep them out of danger.

The school will be having a Special Internet Safety Day. The children will learn about going on line and how to keep safe.

MINECRAFT



It is important that parents are also involved so they are able to help their children when they are at home. We would like to invite you to a special talk.

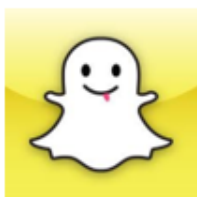
The talk is being given by Paul Hay, who is a specialist in Internet Safety.

He will tell you :

- **How young people use the Internet.**
- **Show how children use programs such as Minecraft, Roblox, Instagram, SnapChat and Tik Tok**
- **Describe how information young people post can be misused by people who are not their friends.**
- **Explain what you, as parents, can do to help keep them safe.**



Instagram



Above all it will give you as parents and carers the confidence to help your child get the most benefit and enjoyment from the internet while keeping safe.

Topics will be discussed in language we as parents understand. No technical or computer knowledge is required or expected.



You are welcome to bring a friend or adult family member with you.

Quiz Night—Friday 7th February

COOKHAM RISE presents

QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY February

£20 per person
Includes meal and nibbles

DOORS OPEN 7.15PM
UP TO 8 PEOPLE PER TEAM
YOUR TEAM CHOOSES THE FANCY DRESS THEME
PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED TEAM
TICKETS ON SALE NOW - PTA SUMUP ONLINE STORE

COOKHAM RISE PRIMARY
SCHOOL HALL

Playball at half term



HALF TERM CAMP

**MARLOW SANDYGATE
SCHOOL**

**MON 17 - THURS 20
9AM - 3PM**

**£35 PER
DAY**

Fun Activity Programs

Outdoor Games, Treasure Hunts, Story
Tellings, Party Games.

Dance class - Weds 19th



**EARLY
BOOKING
DISCOUNT
ENDS 31 JAN
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**TUES & THURS
FOOTBALL THEME
DAYS**

**WEDS
MUSICAL
THEATRE DANCE
CLASS**

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Inclusive Football



All-Ability Bees Soccer Schools

Inclusive football sessions in February Half Term tailored to young people with special educational needs and disabilities. Focus on building your confidence, improving skills and making friends in a safe, supportive, and welcoming environment. Sessions run by our SEND qualified FA coaches.

Participants:	Ages 7-20
Dates:	Tuesday 18th February 2025 & Wednesday 19th February 2025
Time:	10.00 - 14.00
Location:	Indoor Dome, Uxbridge High School, UB8 3PH
Cost:	£25 per day / £47.50 both days

Scan to book, or for more info, please contact Craig Peters at: cpeters@brentfordfcst.com



Community Sports Trust

Half Term Tech Camp

FEB
17TH - 21ST

NEXT THING EDUCATION PRESENTS

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

9am-4pm

TECH CAMP

Ofsted Registered

FEBRUARY CAMPS 2025

£39.99 PER DAY OR £175 FOR 5 DAYS
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 5-11

FIND YOUR NEAREST CAMP ON OUR WEBSITE
www.nextthing.education

SCAN FOR LOCATIONS MAP

NEXT THING EDUCATION CAMPS PRESENTS

FEB HALF TERM 2025

17TH - 21ST FEBRUARY 2025



Coding
& Robots



Circuitry
& Inventions



Creative
Technology



Expert
Engineers



Media
Madness

Movie Making | Video Game Design | Robot Coding | STEM Experiments | Engineering

17TH - 21ST FEBRUARY - LIMITED SPACES

AGES 5 - 11 MULTI DAY BOOKING DISCOUNTS!

What Parents Say

"Absolutely Fantastic!
First time attending &
my son loved it!"



HOW TO BOOK

STEP 1

SCAN THE
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STEP 2

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NEAREST CAMP



STEP 3

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Braywick at half term



FUN | INCLUSIVE | EDUCATIONAL

FEBRUARY FUN DAYS

SWIMMING, MULTI SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, NERF WARS, LASER TAG,
BOUNCY CASTLE, GAMING, LEGO BUILDING & MORE!

Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February



Braywick Leisure Centre

Braywick Road, Maidenhead SL6 1BN

9.00am – 4.00pm

Early drop off from 8am, late pick-up until 5pm

OPEN TO CHILDREN AGED 5 (SCHOOL YEAR 1) - 12

FROM £27.50 PER DAY!

Discounts for siblings & full week booking - please see booking page for details.

We accept Childcare Vouchers, Tax-Free Childcare & we are OFSTED registered!

Please bring: Lunch, Snacks, Waterproof Clothing & A Refillable Drinks Bottle.



Scan the QR code for more information,
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We want ALL of our children to shine!

WHOSE JOB IS IT?

This is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody.



There was an important job to be done and Everybody was asked to do it.

Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job.



Everybody thought Anybody could do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it.

it ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

sketchplanations

