



A word from Mrs Daniels ...

We had a lovely first week back last week and children were quickly back into school routines.

My thanks to those of you who were able to attend the meeting last week about what we are focusing on in our School Development Plan, the changes to the way OFSTED are inspecting schools and our new Sunrise Club.

Next week I will include information about the changes to inspection which will have a link to a short (3min) film about what the new report cards will look like. We enter the window for inspection from April onwards.

With regards to Sunrise Club, it was really good to have the opportunity talk this through and answer questions from the families present. Next steps with this are underway with adverts for Sunrise staff going live today and a Teams form to be sent out to all families in the school which will help us with our planning and preparation for April. I will also be working with our School Business Manager, Jo Faulkner, to produce a Q and A sheet about the club.

THIS WEEK

Monday 12th January

9.15am Finance committee

7.30pm PTA meeting

Tuesday 13th Jan

In school photography day for new website

Wednesday 14th Jan

Thursday 15th Jan

Open the book assembly

Friday 16th Jan

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Over and Above Friday 9th January 2026

Reception	Emilia Farrell	Nelle Flood	
Year 1	Rupert Ward	Reggie Hnanigan	Tiago Haggerty
Year 2	Kiara Pandey	Alayna Gould	Brody Ferguson-Kennedy
Year 3	Courtney Steward	Elif Ozak	
Year 4	Cydney Foley	George Leathers	
Year 5	Martha Laidler	Oliver Bostock	
Year 6	Alfie O'Callaghan	Juliette Fernandes	



Calendar for term 3

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
12 9.15am Finance committee	13	14	15 Open the book assembly	16	17	18
19 7pm GB meeting	20	21	22	23 KS2 VR day	24	25
26	27	28 Reptile day!	29 Reptile day!	30	31	1
2 New website launch day	3 Internet safety day workshops and assembly	4	5	6 PTA Quiz Night	7	8
9	10	11	12 Year 3 dance festival	13	14	15

Half term break Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February

Swimathon

A huge well done to all the children who swam yesterday at Braywick. They have raised over £3000 split between the school and The Lions. Exact amount to follow. My thanks to Yaeger for organising and to all the parents who helped poolside and who went along to support.



IMPORTANT NOTICE



School Drop-Off and Pick-Up Safety

The Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead Council have had an increased number of complaints regarding traffic issues around the school pick up and drop off across our Borough schools.

Officers from our Transport and Road Safety teams have been out assessing and observing the issues and have reported two common factors at all our school sites;

1. poor driver behaviour
2. lack of pedestrian road safety skills.

During their visits to schools they have witnessed drivers stopping on the School Keep Clear Markings, letting children get out of the car onto the middle of the carriageway, parking on the pavement and blocking the footway for pedestrians, parking on double yellow lines, parking on white zigzags at a pedestrian crossing, rushing children across roads, crossing roads without paying attention, looking at their phone and not guiding their children.

All residents deserve a safe environment to pick up and drop off their child at school. If everyone takes personal responsibility for their behaviour around the school gates, a safe and secure environment is created.

How to create a safe environment for pick up and drop off at school

Road traffic laws are not optional they are legal requirements to keep all road users safe.

Drivers

1. **School Keep Clear markings** – DO NOT STOP on the yellow zig zags, not even for one second. The markings are placed outside school entrances to keep a clear space for pedestrians to cross the road without obstruction.



2. **Letting children out of the car** – Do not let children out of the car onto the carriageway. This is extremely dangerous. Always ensure children alight onto the pavement and in a suitable space that does not block pavements, driveways or contravene the road traffic laws.



- 3. Pavement parking** – Driving along pavements and obstructing the pavement is against the road traffic law. Parking on the pavement obstructs the only safe space that pedestrians can walk. Park with all 4 wheels on the road. If there is insufficient space on the road to park then you must move until you find an appropriate space.

- 4. White zig zags** – It is against the road traffic law to stop on the white zig zag markings even for a second. Stopping here carries an immediate 3 points on your licence and a £100 fine. These markings are found at controlled crossing places to ensure clear unobstructed view of the crossing for the safety of pedestrians.



- 5. Dangerous manoeuvres** – carrying out three point turns and reversing into spaces where children are trying to cross the road puts everyone in danger and creates frustrations for other road users.



- 6. Double yellow lines** – double yellow lines are put along the carriageway to stop vehicles obstructing the road. Parking on the double yellow lines obstructs the flow of traffic and causes frustrations for other road users.



Pedestrians

- 1. Road Safety Skills** – Using the basic Green Cross Code every time you cross the road and showing your child how to look for a safe place to cross the road and then crossing with good observations will keep you and your child safe. Being distracted by mobile phones or choosing unsafe places to cross the road puts yourself and your child in danger. It also teaches your child unsafe practices.
- 2. Crossing places** – Finding the safest place to cross a road. Teaching your child where and how to cross the road is essential for their safety. Use crossing facilities where possible; zebra crossing, refuge islands, traffic light controlled crossings. Where no crossing point is available find a spot where you have an unobstructed view along the road and stay patient until there is a clear gap in the traffic before stepping onto the road. The School Keep Clear markings are in place to provide a clear space to cross into school.



By complying to the road traffic laws and the highway code, a safer, calmer environment is created for everyone.



THE GREEN CROSS CODE

Practise your Green
Cross Code every day . . .



THINK . . find a safe place
to cross.



STOP . . behind the kerb.



LOOK and LISTEN . .



all around for traffic.



When it is safe, go straight
across the road - do not run.

School fundraising

**COOKHAM RISE
PRIMARY PTA**



**Join the
School
Lottery!**



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- ★ **Visit the website to find out more, buy tickets or set up a direct debit to take part each week!**
- ★ **40p from every £1 goes towards the school**
- ★ **Numbers drawn every Saturday at 8pm with a chance of winning the £25,000 Jackpot!**
- ★ **Great for parents, carers, grandparents or friends to take part!**

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The biggest quest
to learn anything
is curiosity. If you
are curious about
something, you
will go and dig.

— Rakesh Jhunjunwala

We want ALL of our
children to shine!

Curiosity is the
wick in the
candle of
learning.

WILLIAM ARTHUR WARD

