

# **Waverley Abbey School**

All things are possible for one who believes. Mark 9:23





## **HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE**

Next week's worship theme – chosen (responsibility)

'Nothing is impossible with God'

Luke 1:37

After the first few weeks of the new school year, which are always about settling and getting into good routines, we are now fully immersed in school life.

This week has been particularly busy in Year 6 with most pupils considering their wider contribution to school via our numerous pupil voice groups. Well done to all those who have applied for a role! The amazing Year 6 tour guides have also begun showing prospective parents around too. The feedback from parents has been overwhelmingly positive – they have really blossomed into the role. It is also wonderful to see our new Year 3s getting to know their reading buddies too. A super start!

**Parent consultations:** Please note that the timings for appointments with class teachers on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October are between 3.40pm and 6.50pm and on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October between 3.40pm and 6.20pm (Miss Haines' consultations will be on Tuesday and Wednesday of that week). The booking system for appointments will be available online in due course.

FOWA: If you are interested in becoming part of the FOWA Team, please come along to the next meeting on Tuesday 30th September at 8:45am, or contact the school office who can arrange for you to be added to the FOWA WhatsApp group. FOWA are also looking for volunteers who would be happy to pass messages between them and our parents/carers. If any families who are involved in events and would like to offer their services, please contact the school office.

**School drop off/ pick up:** Thank you for your support in turning left wherever possible out of the school gate.

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# 19th September 2025

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There has definitely been a reduction in queuing at the term has progressed. Whilst our front playground remains ever popular for dropping off, please do consider the field car park too which is often less busy in the morning.

Thank you also to those families who have taken up the offer of the shorter wrap around session. I have had a few queries about pick ups this week. Please rest assured that there are odd occasions when something out of the ordinary happens, and a family may be late — this is not a problem! Also there will always be a 10 minute grace period for families, particularly when road works spring up near to school! I also know that several families are now joining up so that one parent picks up a few children in one school and the other does the same at Waverley. We are happy to share ideas like this with all families.

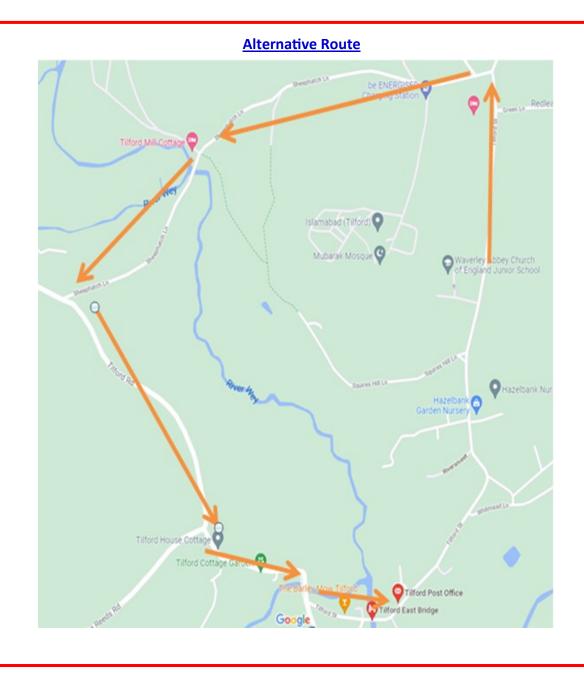
**Nut free school:** Please remember when packing children's lunchboxes that we are a nut free school. We do have children with severe nut allergies therefore cannot have any nuts or nut products (peanut butter etc) on site.

Labelling uniform: There have already been a large number of jumpers and other school uniform left on playgrounds after break and lunchtimes. When the clothing is clearly labelled with the child's full name this is easy to return, however there have been items with no name at all or just initials. As I'm sure you can appreciate, with over 400 children it is essential that clothing is clearly named for a quick return. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Rebecca Marshall

Diary Dates 2025	
September	
Monday 22nd	Harvest Festival Donations
Tuesday 23rd	Year 6 - Kew Gardens Visit
Wednesday 24th	Mia's Bake Sale - Year 6 Playground - 3pm
October	
Tuesday 7th	Year 6 - Residential Parent Meeting - 6pm
Thursday 9th	Year 5 - South Downs Planetarium Visit
	FOWA Movie Night - 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Friday 10th	Year 5 - South Downs Planetarium Visit
	FOWA Movie Night - 3:30pm - 5:30pm
Tuesday 21st	Parent Evening Consultations - 3:45pm - 7pm
Thursday 23rd	Parent Evening Consultations - 3:45pm - 6:30pm
Friday 24th	INSET Day
Monday 27th	Half Term
November	
Monday 3rd	INSET Day
Tuesday 4th	Individual School Photos
Friday 7th	School Fireworks Night
Monday 10th	Book Fair Week
	Antibullying Week - Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 20th	Nasal Flu Vaccinations - All Years
	National Child Measurement Programme - Year 6
Friday 21st	Year 4 Showcase - 2:30pm
December	
Wednesday 3rd	Year 3 - Pantomime Visit
Tuesday 9th	Rocksteady Concert - 2pm
Thursday 11th	Year 6 Showcase - 2:30pm
Monday 15th	Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day



# **Lift Shares**

We have several families who would like to try and arrange a lift share to and from school.

They are located in South Farnham, Milford, Aldershot and Godalming and Tongham.

Please email the school office if you are interested and we can put you in touch.

### **Important Reminder**

A reminder that 360 Cub should be booked by midday on the day your child is due to attend. If you book after this time, please contact the school office so we can let the class teacher know your child's going home arrangements.

Thank you.

#### **Harvest Donations**

**Farnham Foodbank**: We are very grateful for your support in donating your school's Harvest Festival donations to the Foodbank. Receiving Harvest donations from schools goes a long way to ensure that we can continue to feed those in the local community who are in crisis, especially in these challenging times.

We would very much appreciate any non-perishable food items or toiletries but in particular if your school could please collect the items listed below:

Tinned soup
Tinned potatoes
Tinned fruit
Rice
Coffee
Pasta sauce
Biscuits
Long life sponge puddings

#### <u>Surrey Arts - Drum Lessons</u>

Gary at Surrey Arts has some drum lesson slots available on a Wednesday afternoon. If your child is interested, please contact Surrey Arts.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/culture-and-leisure/arts/music/lessons-for-children

#### **Pupil News**

Congratulations to Amber in Year 5 who headed to Manchester with the South Coast Spitfires Flag American Football team to compete in the National Championships. Flag American Football is a fast paced and fast growing version of American Football with no helmets or pads where you pull a flag from your opponent's belt to make a tackle.

Amber and the Spitfires beat the previously undefeated Burnley Tornadoes in their quarter final playoff game 18-13 but lost their Semi Final against a strong Northants Ducks team 25-12 and finished 4th in the country.

With mixed teams and age groups Under 11, Under 14 and Under 17 it really is a sport for everyone - if you're interested in finding out more or giving this amazing sport a try check out the South Coast Spitfires on social media or contact southcoastspitfires@gmail.com

