



# Waverley Abbey School

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



## School Newsletter 14

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## HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Next week's worship theme – encouraging others

And let us consider how we may spur one another on  
toward love and good deeds

Hebrews 10:24

Today we are looking forward to welcoming back our Year 5 cohort from their Calshot residential. The photos and reports that we've heard show that the children clearly had a fantastic time enjoying various pursuits. A huge thank you to our dedicated staff who made this possible. Last week also saw Year 3 out at Wisley gardens to think about sowing and growing as part of their science unit of learning. Although the weather was hot, the children had a wonderful learning experience.

Next week, our Year 6 pupils sit their end of KS2 tests. While the classrooms look a little different this week, we do still have lots of fun, enjoying a light breakfast together (and possibly a treat or two along the way). Good luck to all the pupils involved! I know that rounding the week off with the Year 6 swimming gala will be a suitable way to signal the end of the tests too. Year 3 will also be enjoying their residential, 'school sleepover', on Friday next week, experiencing a variety of outdoor pursuits before a BBQ, campfire and (hopefully) a full night's sleep.

**Tilford Fair:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July marks the yearly Tilford Fair. I have been fortunate enough to speak to several of the planning team, and this year looks set to be the best yet. There will be a parade (theme to be revealed soon), a variety of stalls, as well as choirs from All Saints' and our very own choir will be performing too. The fair then becomes akin to a small festival in the evening with a number of local

bands performing. We'll keep parents posted when we have more information. If you would like to support the event by helping out at our stall, please let the office know.

**Pencil cases:** As the year progresses, we are noticing more and more children not having key items in their pencil cases e.g. pencils, 30cm rulers, erasable blue writing pens. Please do have a check through your child's pencil case this weekend, to ensure they have all they need.

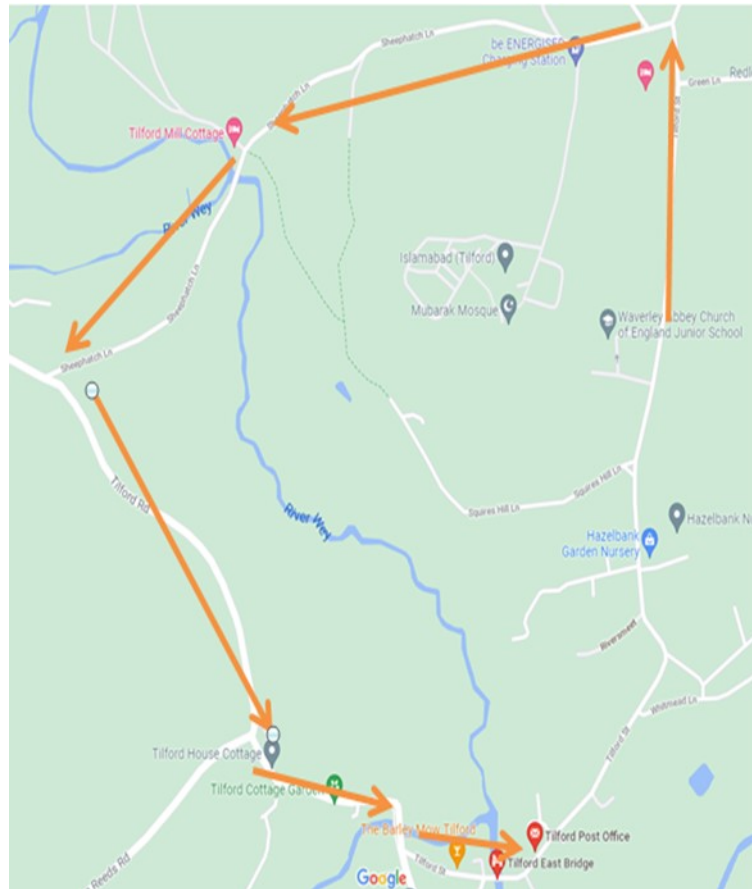
**Drop off/ pick up:** A reminder that we are still asking all families (wherever possible) to turn left out of school at the beginning and end of the day to improve the traffic flow and reduce the queue times. Please see map overleaf for the specifics. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

**Labelling uniform:** There have been a large number of jumpers and other school uniform items left on playgrounds/ the field after break and lunchtimes. When the clothing is clearly labelled with the child's full name this is easy to return, however recently there have been items with no name at all or just initials. As I'm sure you can appreciate, with 480 children it is essential that clothing is clearly named in order for a quick return!

**Summer sun safety:** please do remember to send your child to school with sun protection - hat, water bottle and sun cream as the summer term progresses.

**Mrs Rebecca Marshall**

### Alternative Route - Turning Left At Waverley Abbey



### Swimming Galas

Please see the attached diary dates for our upcoming Swimming Galas - supporters (maximum of 2 per family) are welcome to come along and support. The Galas start around 9:30am and last approximately 2 hours.

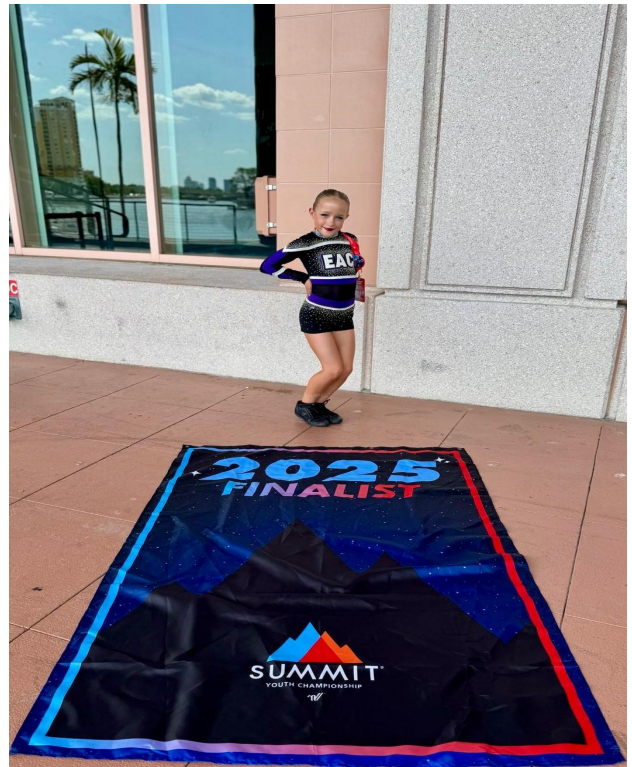
Near and Far coffee van will be on site serving coffee, tea, hot chocolate, brownies, cookies and shortbread, all available to purchase during the galas.

Please complete the form via the attached link if you would like to attend.

<https://forms.office.com/e/s9K0pBZjAG>

## Pupil News

Congratulations to Mia in Year 5 who is part of Eclipse Allstars Cheerleading club and competes in a Level 1 Under 12 team named Delta. She recently travelled to Tampa, Florida with the team to compete in an international cheerleading competition called The Youth Summit 2025. Delta were in the largest division of the competition and competed against 41 of the best teams from across the world. Delta were successful in advancing to the finals, a second day of competition, and finished in 14th place. They were the highest UK scoring team.



Well done to Oscar in Year 5, who is part of the Southern Navigators Orienteering Club, he recently won a trophy for most improved junior. Oscar absolutely loves orienteering and enjoys competing in all different locations.



Sophie in Year 6, plays netball for the Vipers outside of school and yesterday her team came first in their league. She was awarded a medal. Congratulations to Sophie and her team.



**Thank you!**

Grace and her family would like to thank everyone for their support with the bake sale last week.

Grace raised a fantastic £365.94 in just 45 minutes!

They family are so grateful and know the Alzheimer's Society will be thrilled!

**Remaining 2024-25 Academic Year INSET Days**

Friday 23rd May 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

**2025 - 2026 Academic Year INSET Days**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Last day of school term for pupils – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Monday 20th - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – School INSET Days



## Diary Dates 2025

### May

Monday 12th	SATs Week
Tuesday 13th	Cricket Trials - Year 5 & 6 Girls
Wednesday 14th	Cricket Trials - Year 5 Boys
Friday 16th	Thundu Clothing Collection Swimming Gala - Year 6 - 9:30am - 11/11:30am Year 3 Sleepover
Saturday 17th	Farnham Cross Country Event
Monday 19th	Year 6 - Hankley Commons Walks Week
Tuesday 20th	Swimming Gala - Year 5 - 9:30am - 11/11:30am Drop-In Marketplace - 2pm
Wednesday 21st	Swimming Gala - Year 4 - 9:30am—11/11:30am
Thursday 22nd	Swimming Gala - Year 3 - 9:30am - 11/11:30am Break Up For Half Term
Friday 23rd	INSET Day

### June

Monday 2nd	Return To School UKSA Residential - Year 6
Friday 6th	Year 3 Roman Day
Monday 9th	Runways End Residential - 4LH and 4HI
Wednesday 11th	Runways End Residential - 4MB and 4LS
Saturday 14th	Triathlon
Friday 20th	School Photographer - Class Photos
Thursday 26th	Sports Day - Lower School AM/Upper School PM

### July

Tuesday 8th	Year 6 Production - 6pm
Wednesday 9th	Year 6 Production - 6pm
Tuesday 15th	Rocksteady Concert - 2:30pm
Wednesday 16th	Year 6 Leavers' Party
Friday 18th	Last Day of Summer Term