



# Hatch Ride Matters

## July 2024



Dear Hatch Ride Community

It has been a busy year at Hatch Ride with so many opportunities for all children to learn and we continue to work hard supporting their personal development. I would like to thank all the teaching and support staff who work so tirelessly to give our children the best possible educational experience, they consistently go above and beyond what is required of them. I'm very proud to be the Head Teacher of our school!



Schools continue to deal with ongoing financial and industry-wide recruitment challenges. This, in turn, can obviously place strain on other areas within the school. We will always prioritise the needs of the children with the resources available.

I would like to congratulate the Year 6 children on their fantastic SATs results, both individually and collectively for the school. More importantly, I thank them for all they have brought to the school in the time they have been here.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our PTO for providing ongoing fundraising for the school, we've had a fantastic effort from the committee and some lovely events for our community this year, including the Christmas Fayre, parent quiz and children's discos. Thank you also to Mrs Wilson-Constance for giving our gardens regular care, Mr Joyce for looking after our fish tank, Mrs Middlemist for overseeing the chickens, Mrs Esin for running a much loved Lego club and all who have volunteered for trips, sewing, reading – to name a few!

A huge well done and thank you to Sophia from Year 4 who has been raising money again for our school by doing a 1.5km run and 150m swim as part of the Guildford Triathlon series. So far, she has raised over £200!

We are saying a fond farewell to five members of staff this term, Mr Young, Mrs Field, Mrs Mallett, Miss Gater and Mrs O'Connell. They will be missed and we wish them all lots of good luck for the future.

We are also saying goodbye to our Year 6 class. We are very proud of them all for their amazing accomplishments during their time at Hatch Ride. Everyone really enjoyed watching their performance of 'Goodbye My Friend' last week. We wish them all well in their new schools!

During the summer holidays we will be having maintenance work carried out in the school building. We are able to do this work because we were successful in our bids for funding from the Trust's school allocation. This work is essential and helps keep our environment a safe and pleasing one to be in.



I thank all parents and children, on behalf of myself and the team, for all of the much-appreciated gifts and kind words given over the last two weeks of term. The teachers are overwhelmed with the generosity and appreciation shown.

I would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer break.

Thank you,

Ms Sparrowhawk

**School diary dates:** Please look out for new class information including PE days at the start of term in September, there is no PE first week back.

<b>September</b>	
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET DAY – no pupils in school
Weds 4 <sup>th</sup>	Start of Autumn Term
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	Reception class start
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup>	Individual School Photos
<b>October</b>	
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Half Term
<b>November</b>	
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Return to school
<b>December</b>	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term – school finishes at 1:15pm



### Hatch Ride Giving Tree July Donations

**Our Giving Tree has had an overwhelming response and a huge impact to the school - Thank You!**

Item	Donated By
Scola Reinforced Air-Drying Modelling Clay (Stone), 12.5Kg	Rupert & Henry Williams
Educational Globe - Diameter 30cm	Aylin Allen
School Colouring Pencils - Box Containing 180 Assorted Colours	Keziah Bristow
30 Biodegradable Balloons	Max Waters
Pinking Shears Serrated	Arya Treacher
Pipe Cleaners 200pcs	Eloise Rambohul
I am a Hindu Religious Education A1 Poster	Keira Treacher
500g Chrome Scale Weight	Eloise Rambohul
1kg Chrome Scale Weight	Rupert & Ray Todman
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Learning Resources Metric Weight Set	Keira & Arya Treacher
Wheelbarrow large	Rupert & Ray Todman
Gardening Gloves age 6-8 (2 pairs)	Fletcher Hobbs
Gardening Gloves age 6-8 (2 pairs)	Ollie Killick
Gardening Gloves age 6-8 (2 pairs)	Gracie Cruyton
Educational Globe - Diameter 30cm	Alex & Serena Johnson
Scale Weight Set with Case (10g,20g,20g,50g,100g,100g,200g,500g)	Zachary Worden
Gardening Gloves age 9-12 (2 pairs)	Zachary Worden
Fabric Scissors	Zachary Worden
Energizer Aa Pack Of 24 Alkaline Batteries	Zachary Worden

**Thank you also to our sewing club members who have been busy making leaves for the tree!**

## Community News



### Free summer 2024 holiday activity for children age 7-16, every Tuesday and Friday morning

Come and try 'Real Tennis' at Wellington College this summer. The game of Real Tennis is described as a mix of tennis, squash, and chess! It is fast-paced, played indoors using a net as well as the walls of the court. It is great fun for girls and boys of all ages and you don't need to be good at normal tennis to enjoy it. [Here is a short YouTube video](#) of some of the Wellington College pupils (year 9) playing Real Tennis.

We are offering free coaching sessions for children **every Tuesday and Friday** in the summer holidays. The first session is Tues 23 July, the final session is Fri 30 August. Your child can attend just one session to try it out, or come along to many sessions and get their play better over the summer. No tennis experience is needed.

Sessions are 50 minutes and children will be split by age:

**09.30 start:** 7-9 years\*

**10.30 start:** 10-12 years\*

**11.30 start:** 13-16 years\*

Location: Wellington Real Tennis Club, by the Wellington Health and Fitness Club (RG45 7PT).

Sessions are free, we just ask that you book in advance – and if you do book, to let us know if you can't make it after all, so that we can give your space to another child.

To book, please email Dan Jones on [dpj@wellingtonfitness.co.uk](mailto:dpj@wellingtonfitness.co.uk) stating the dates that you would like your child to attend, and their age. They will need to wear shorts, T-shirt and trainers, and bring a bottle of water. Everything else is supplied.

The 2024 real tennis sessions are offered free of charge by Wellington College to enable more children to try new things. Should your child enjoy it, there may be opportunities to continue in September.

\*Age groups / timings may be rejigged according to numbers and will be confirmed on booking.

### **Wokingham Borough Council's SEND Local Offer newsletter**

Wokingham Borough Council have launched a SEND Local Offer newsletter to bring news and updates about what's on offer locally for children and young people with additional needs and disabilities.

It is quick and easy to sign up, just visit [www.wokingham.gov.uk/newsletter](http://www.wokingham.gov.uk/newsletter) and select the 'Local Offer – update for SEND families' option.

You can [read the latest edition here](#)

### **Get extra support for your child**

Registering for free school meals if you're eligible means you can help your child have a healthy lifestyle.

This support helps feed millions of children in schools across the country every day and thousands locally.

Your circumstances may have changed, which means you could now register for free school meals.

To qualify, your child must be in school and you must be receiving one of the following benefits:

- [Income support](#)
- Income based [Job Seekers Allowance](#)
- Income related [Employment and Support Allowance](#)
- [NASS support](#)
- Guarantee element of [State Pension](#)
- [Child Tax Credit](#), provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- [Working Tax Credit](#) for the four weeks after employment ends
- [Universal Credit](#), provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400

If this applies to you but your child isn't registered for free school meals, complete a form and return it to your child's school.

[Download the form and apply for Free School Meals](#) on Wokingham Borough Council's website.

### **Free school meals and extra funding for your child's education**

Across the UK more than 10 per cent of pupils who are eligible for free school meals do not register to get them.

We want to make sure 100 per cent of our pupils claim when they can in Wokingham Borough.

Importantly, it also means schools can get additional funding to support pupils.

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