



West Byfleet Junior School

11 September 2026



Headteacher's Message

Welcome Back!

It's great to be back at school after a wonderful break. We've really enjoyed seeing you and the children again and hearing all about their summer adventures! We hope everyone is getting back into the school routine and adapting to the changes of new year groups and teachers, and of course for our Y3 children and new joiners, a change of school. It's been a really calm and orderly start to the year and although some children are still getting used to the changes or simply to being back in school every day, we're very proud of every single one of them and the start they've made.

School Logo and Uniform

You will have no doubt noticed our new logo proudly displayed on the building and the new signage. It looks great on the new uniform too! However, please be reminded that uniform with the old logo is absolutely fine and children should be in no hurry to change to the new one. From an ecological perspective, we'd like uniform with the old logo to be used as intended for as long as possible!

Smart Watches

Just a reminder that smart watches are not allowed to be worn in school. We unfortunately do not have the time or expertise to check which smart watches have cameras or can operate as phones so just have a blanket rule for them all. Children in the older years who walk home alone and use their smart watch as a tracker can bring it to school and hand it in to the teacher at the start of the day, in the same way they would a mobile phone – and this is actually an excellent alternative to a phone for this purpose.

Who's Who?

In most cases, your child's class teacher is the contact for questions or issues around day-to-day school life, or how your child is getting on in the classroom. However, we have a large team of people to help as well!

Mrs Frommholz is our Deputy Headteacher. She oversees the smooth running of the school, teaching and learning and behaviour, so is a good person to speak to for a wide range of things from classroom teaching approaches to uniform queries, but you may also find her involved where behaviour issues are escalated. Mrs Thomson and Mrs Strawson are our inclusion leads and are your contacts for anything SEND (special educational needs and disabilities), EAL (English as an additional language), pastoral (eg ELSA) or pupil premium-related. Mrs Thomson oversees Y5 and Y6, and Mrs Strawson Y3 and Y4, but you can speak to either, even if your child is not in their phase. Miss Barrett and Miss Babra are our Y5/6 and Y3/4 phase leaders respectively, and are there to support class teachers in helping you with any issues too. Mrs Olekszy is a learning support assistant in Y4, but also waits at the gate each morning with a special eye out for any children who may be struggling to come into school that day, and she will be there to support you during any difficult mornings. Our school office staff will also be happy to assist you with any question, but should be your first port of call for absences, medicines, clubs and wrap-around care. I will of course also be happy to help you with anything I can!



Mr Wasserberg
Headteacher



Mrs Frommholz
Deputy
Headteacher



Mrs Strawson
Inclusion Leader
Years 3 and 4



Mrs Thomson
Inclusion Leader
Years 5 and 6



Miss Babra
Phase Leader
Years 3 and 4



Miss Barrett
Phase Leader
Years 5 and 6



Mrs Olekszy
Y4 LSA

Thank you
Ben Wasserberg



Diary Reminders & Updates

Friday 11 September 2026

Please check each newsletter as dates are occasionally subject to change



Wed 16 Sept	Y5 & Y6 Parent Information Meetings (in person)	09:00-09:30
Wed 16 Sept	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 1)	10:15-12:00
Thur 17 Sept	Y3 & Y4 Parent Information Meetings (in person)	09:00-09:30
Wed 23 Sept	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 2)	10:15-12:00
Tue 29 Sept	Y6 Hindu Workshops	13:30-15:00
Wed 30 Sept	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 3)	10:15-12:00
Thur 1 Oct	NHS Nasal Flu Vaccinations	
Mon 5 Oct	Y3 Tate First Feet Walking Activity	09:30-12:00
Mon 5 Oct	Y4 Nightingale Visit to the Synagogue	13:00-15:00
Tue 6 Oct	Y3 Eden Feet First Walking Activity	09:30-12:00
Tue 6 Oct	School Tours for Y2 parents (for Y3 entry Sept 27)	
Tue 6 Oct	Y4 Darwin Visit to the Synagogue	13:00-15:00
Wed 7 Oct	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 4)	10:15-12:00
Wed 7 Oct	Y3 Tate Visit to The Lightbox, Woking	09:00-11:30
Thur 8 Oct	Y3 Kew Feet First Walking Activity	09:30-12:00
Thur 8 Oct	Y3 Eden Visit to The Lightbox, Woking	09:00-11:30
Thur 8 Oct	Y5 Trip to Hampton Court	
Fri 9 Oct	Y3 Kew Visit to the Lightbox, Woking	09:00-12:00
Mon 12 Oct	Individual and Internal Sibling Photographs	
Tue 13 Oct	Y6 Trip to the Imperial War Museum	
Tue 13 Oct	Y4 Shakespeare Visit to the Synagogue	13:00-15:00
Wed 14 Oct	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 5)	10:15-12:00
Mon 19 – Fri 30 Oct	Half Term (two weeks)	
Wed 4 Nov	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 6)	10:15-12:00
Fri 6 Nov	PTA Fireworks event – details to follow	
Mon 9 Nov	Y4 Bikeability Training (optional)	
Mon 9 Nov	Parent Consultations (face to face)	16:00-19:00
Tue 10 Nov	Y4 Bikeability Training (optional)	
Wed 11 Nov	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 7)	10:15-12:00
Wed 11 Nov	Parent Consultations (face to face)	15:40-18:00
Thur 12 Nov	Y4 Bikeability Training (optional)	
Mon 16 Nov	Y4 Bikeability Training (optional)	
Mon 16 Nov	Y5 Fire Safety Education Workshops	
Tue 17 Nov	Y4 Visit to Butser Ancient Farm	
Wed 18 Nov	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 8)	10:15-12:00
Wed 25 Nov	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 9)	10:15-12:00
Wed 2 Dec	Y4 Darwin Swimming (session 10)	10:15-12:00
Fri 4 Dec	Y3 Tate Nativity Performance for parents	14:00-14:45
Mon 7 Dec	Y3 Kew Nativity Performance for parents	14:00-14:45
Fri 11 Dec	Y3 Eden Nativity Performance for parents	14:00-14:45
Tue 15 Dec	Y3/Y4 Christmas Singing Service at St John's Church – all welcome	09:30-10:15
Tue 15 Dec	Y5/Y6 Christmas Singing Service at St John's Church – all welcome	11:00-11:45
Fri 18 Dec	Last Day Autumn Term, school closes at 13:25	13:25

School Meals

Please remember to book your child's school meal in advance.

The kitchen can not always provide extra meals as they cook to the number that we have provided first thing in the morning.

You may wish to set alerts up on SCOPAY to remind you when credit is low on the account.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Community and School Notices

Children's Commissioner's Big Future Survey

I have already heard from hundreds of thousands of children and young people across England, and the majority of schools have now taken part.

It is crucial that children at your school have the chance to add their voices too, so that their experiences, views and aspirations are represented when I present the findings of the survey to Government.

I would be very grateful if you could support your pupils to fill out the survey at the start of term by sharing it with parents and carers across the wider school community.

Every child's voice matters, and I want to make sure that children and young people in every school and college, in every community, have the opportunity to shape the picture of childhood that I will share with Government.

Thank you for your support in helping to make sure your pupils' voices are heard as we begin the new school year.

The survey can be completed here: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

Yours sincerely

Dame Rachel de Souza

Children's Commissioner for England



Runnymede Family Centre Drop-in

Parenting advice and support available from the Runnymede Family Centre team.
Just drop in and ask for a confidential chat with one of our family support workers.

- **Mondays 10:00 - 12:00** at the Revive Coffee Shop
99, Guildford Street Chertsey, KT16 9AS
- **2nd Tuesday of the month 10:00 - 12:00** at The Village Centre
Cafe, Victoria Street, Englefield Green, Egham TW20 0QX
- **Fridays 9:00 - 10:00** at Runnymede Family Centre, The Poplars,
Queen Mary Drive, New Haw, Addlestone, KT15 3TT

Please scan the QR code or visit our website to register your interest.

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Reminder! Clubs start next week!

**All clubs will start next week,
w/c Monday 14
September.**

**Please be aware that all school-run clubs are now full,
but there are places available in other clubs run by
external providers.**

**Please follow the link below to view the club pack on
our website.**

[https://www.westbyfleetjunior.org.uk/page/?
title=Extra+Curricular+Clubs+Information&pid=133](https://www.westbyfleetjunior.org.uk/page/?title=Extra+Curricular+Clubs+Information&pid=133)

Unauthorised Absence from School Notice

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, **per parent/carers per child**, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 19 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at the flat rate of £160.00, **per parent/carers per child**, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
3. If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you will NOT receive a third penalty notice – Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, **per parent/carers per child**, in the Magistrates Court under s 444 Education Act 1996.

Surrey County Council is not responsible for authorising pupil absence and therefore cannot withdraw any Penalty Notice requests without the written permission of the Headteacher.



BRIAN CONLEY

GOLDILOCKS

AND THE THREE BEARS

THE GREATEST **PANTO** ON EARTH

Thursday 10th December 7pm
New Victoria Theatre Woking
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS £30
FAMILY OF FOUR £115

Fantastic price seats in the stalls- Doors open 17.30pm
LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE SO DONT MISS OUT!

WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/WESTBYFLEETJUNIORSCHOOLPTA

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!



🐼 ✨ **WELCOME BACK!** ✨ 🐼

We hope everyone had a lovely break and that the children have settled back into school happily. As we start the new school year, here's a little reminder about our festive trip to see Goldilocks and the Three Bears!

🐼 ✨ **PANTO TICKETS – ONLY 19 DAYS LEFT TO BOOK!** ✨ 🐼

📅 **Thursday 10th December**

🕒 **7:00pm**

🎫 Tickets: ✨ **£30 per person** ✨ **£115 for a family of four**

⌚ Tickets are only available until the end of September – just 19 days left to secure your seats! Get ready for an evening full of laughter, music, spectacular performances and, of course, plenty of PANTO FUN!

🐼 ✨ It promises to be a fantastic festive treat for the whole family, so don't leave it until it's too late!

🎫 Book your tickets here: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/westbyfleetjuniorschoolpta/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=120114>

✨ 🐼 Who's coming to the panto?! 🐼 ✨