



RIVERBRIDGE REVIEW

Autumn Term

Week 6

11th October 2024

As I mentioned in last week's Review, this has been a busy five days!

On Wednesday we were visited by not one, but two of our school Governors. They joined members of the schools Senior Leadership Team to tour both bases and look at the way the children were learning and their behaviour in classroom. These were positive visits and I was struck by the level of engagement in the learning I saw.

As part of the above, I visited 1C and they were particularly keen to talk to me about the things they have learned during Space Week 2024. There were many children able to talk about the Solar System, planets, stars and travelling into space. I have also heard that this enthusiasm was repeated throughout the school which is great to hear.

This week has given us an opportunity to 'Feel Good'; reflecting on what helps us to feel positive about ourselves and what we can do to help us manage our emotions well. We continue to use 'Zones of Regulation' in all the classrooms from Reception to Year 6 and this helps the children to 'sense check' how they are feeling and how this might impact on their ability to learn. There are resources in all classrooms that are used by the children to help them when they are 'not in the green zone'.



**Embracing Emotions for
Feeling Good Week**



Harvest Trees



**1C were over the moon for
Space Week**

Thank you to all parents and carers that have shared a donation this week as part of our Harvest celebrations. These will be collected this morning and shared with Manna.

This process has helped the children to stop and think about those that are less fortunate than ourselves whilst also enabling us to be thankful for what we have. Across the school, 'Gratitude Trees' have sprouted up with leaves explaining what children have to be grateful for. These have been pleasing to read and show the thought that the children have put into this week's learning.

An important reminder about the parent consultations taking place week beginning 21st October. The deadline for booking a slot to these meetings is **Wednesday 16th October**. These are such an essential part of building a successful working relationship between home and school. If you have yet to book one – please make this a priority over the weekend.

Morning Drop Off

Year 2

The Year 2 team have been really impressed with how the children have settled into the new term at Park Avenue base. Throughout the year, we encourage the children to develop their independence in following school routines. An important part of this is coming into class independently. From Monday 14th October, please support us by dropping your child off at the school gates. Any messages can be given to the staff on duty who will pass on this information to teachers. Thank you for your support with this

Space Week

Whole School



This year's theme is 'space and climate change' for World Space Week. In class, the children have discussed this theme and taken part in activities to deepen their understanding of space. Year 2 created some space themed artwork (right), Isobel S brought in her dad's Space themed book about Mars to show her classmates in 1R (left), whilst Reception learnt about planets with a planetarium on classroom ceilings!



Parent Consultations – Book by Weds 16th Oct

Whole School

On Wednesday, details were shared about our upcoming parent consultation meetings on 22nd, 23rd and 24th October taking place at Park Avenue base. These offer an important opportunity for you to meet your child's class teacher to discuss the progress your child has made so far. If you haven't yet booked a meeting, please login to your Scopay account and do so by 9pm on Wednesday 16th October before the booking system closes. A guide to booking appointments via Scopay is attached to the end of the Newsletter.

Library Upgrade

Year 2 - 6

We have been busy upgrading our library systems and are now pleased to share that the library at PAB will be open to children from next week. Every class will have an allocated library slot in which they can choose a book to borrow. Children will need to return their books in order to borrow another. Our library at KGB is currently undergoing a make-over and will be open very soon for children in Reception to Year 1.

Spellings

Year 3 - 6

This week, children in Year 3-6 will receive their first assignment on Spelling Shed - our new spelling programme. A letter with further details was shared earlier in the week with parents and carers, along with a users' guide. Spelling Shed can be accessed via the link found in the Parent Guide, located on our website under Curriculum, Subject and English or via [here](#).

Early Reading Parent Talk Reminder

Reception & Year 1

Parents/carers of children in Reception and Year 1 are invited to attend an information talk on early reading at Riverbridge. This will be an opportunity to learn more about how your child is taught to read at school and strategies to use at home. There will be a choice of two sessions: - 2.30pm or 6pm, on Tuesday 15th October. Both sessions will take place in the hall at Park Avenue base.

Feeling Good Week

Whole School

This week was Feeling Good Week and the children explored the theme of 'Embracing Emotions'. Children completed activities in their classes around the Zones of Regulation and how these are used to understand our feelings. The newly appointed Wellbeing Ambassadors conducted their first assembly to Years 2-4 and spoke about Calm Corners in class and the Friendship Bench on the playground. They did a fantastic job and confidently presented their ideas.

Breakfast Club Price Increase

Whole School

The price of the Breakfast Club will increase to £5 per session from the 4th November. We are very aware of the rising costs of living and have done everything possible to keep this required increase to a minimum.

Vacancies

Whole School

Riverbridge Primary School in Staines is recruiting

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic and creative Teaching Assistant with a 'can do' attitude who are passionate about making a difference, to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/teaching-assistant-1445447>

We are looking to appoint an Early Years Teaching Assistant with a Level 3 qualification in Childcare to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team in our Nursery. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/teaching-assistant-1445460>

We are looking to appoint an Office Assistant to join our friendly, committed, hardworking team. For more information please see: <https://www.eteach.com/careers/riverbridgeprimary/job/school-office-assistant-1447342>

The Echelford Primary School is recruiting:

We are looking for a wrap around care manager to join our team . Are you highly motivated, proactive, flexible and reliable? We are looking to appoint a talented individual who can assist in providing a stimulating, creative and caring environment for children attending our after school and breakfast club. The right candidate will be joining a strong, professional team of enthusiastic staff who will work alongside you in a supportive and constructive way. For more information please visit - <https://www.eteach.com/job/wrap-around-care-manager-1446281>

We are looking for a deputy wrap around care manager to join our team. Are you highly motivated, proactive, flexible and reliable? We are looking to appoint a talented individual who can assist in providing a stimulating, creative and caring environment for children attending our after school and breakfast club. The right candidate will be joining a strong, professional team of enthusiastic staff who will work alongside you in a supportive and constructive way. For more information please visit - <https://www.eteach.com/job/deputy-wrap-around-care-manager-1446274>

PTA

Whole School

Riverbridge PTA is our school's fundraising community.
Everyone's welcome to get involved.



PTA
FRIENDS OF RIVERBRIDGE

Can you help out at the Welcome Back Party?

The Welcome Back Party is organised and run by parent volunteers, so if you can spare any time to help out on the day with setting up, clearing away or being on a stall, we would appreciate any help you can provide. You must already be a ticket holder for the event in order to volunteer. If you can help out with a 30 minute slot, please sign up at <https://volunteersignup.org/CD9A4>

We're also looking for brilliant bakers to donate cakes and biscuits for our cake stall. If you can donate any delicious creations, please drop them off at either office at KGB or PAB on Friday 18th October.

Get swapping at our card trading station

A brand new feature at this year's Welcome Back Party will be a Card Trading Station, where children can bring Pokemon and Football cards and swap them with others. There will also be a limited number of Pokemon beginner packs available to buy on the day. Come along to the Music Room between 5pm and 6pm, to get swapping! Parents should come along with their children to help supervise.

Clothes recycling bank

Riverbridge PTA has joined a cost-free clothes recycling programme called Little Recyclers. A new permanent clothes bank has been installed outside PAB in the staff-only carpark where you can drop off unwanted clothes and shoes whenever is convenient. The scheme is designed to reduce the amount of clothes that end up in landfill - but it's also a great way to raise funds for the school all year round because the PTA will receive 55p for every kilogram donated.

Stay connected with Riverbridge PTA on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/RiverbridgePrimarySchoolPTA or get in touch at pta.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk

Gold Leaves

Whole School

There have been lots of children that have confidently shared their gold leaves with members of the school's SLT this week. I have been impressed with how well they have explained the positive choices that have got them to gold this week.

What a great week – well done everyone!

Shaurya S

Belle R

Mason B

Aarohi C

Jim R

Finley-James S

Sammy M

Connor J

Amelie B

Cara T-C	Willow K	Louis S
Magnolia B	Emma K	Deeksha V
Ivan B	Oliver BC	Alfie H
Alfred W	Sebastian C	Betty-Lou Y
Jed K	Finlay M	Colbi WK
Aseda P	Vinisha HS	Grayson F
Ruhaan S	Maya S	Zara W
Ella P	Joao VBC	Elsie B
Anika M	Jacob M	Madiha A
Joshua R	Indie WK	Alfie P
Coral D	Elliot D	Molly G
Nigel C	Leo H	Sienna F
Miguel DSF	Hannah T	Harry S
Abi N	Ahaan P	Roland A
Grace C	Jacob L	Reece D
Nancy A	Ahmad B	Ayman M
Maaike B	Ava R	Maxim G
	Sophie Z	

Rainbow Awards

Nursery

The children from Hedgehogs and Rabbits that have reached the rainbow this week can be rightly proud of themselves.

Keep it up!

Brendon G

Ekam S

Kiruthik E

House Competition

Whole School

This week, we have been trying to spot those children demonstrating exemplary manners around the school. On Monday next week, we will be sharing who has won the 'Ps and Qs Award'.

The totals will be changed next week so currently remain the same:



**10
Points**



**15
Points**



**20
Points**

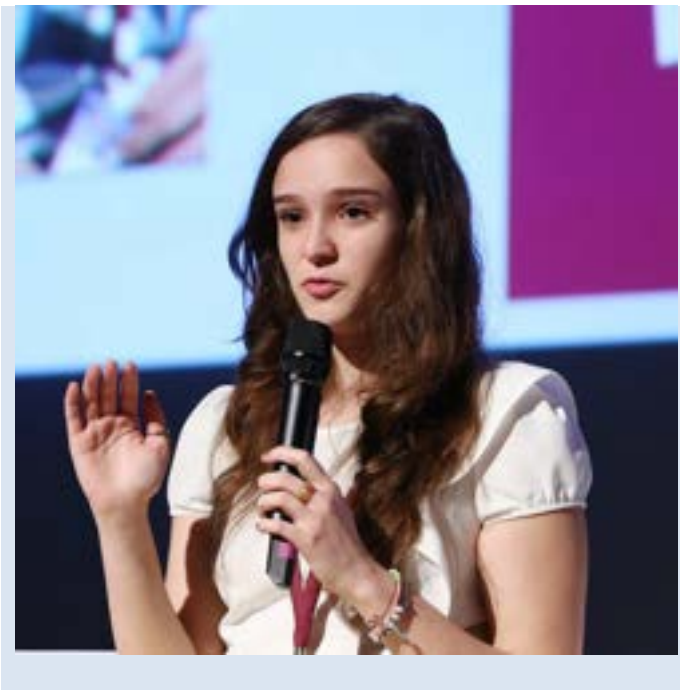
Words of Wisdom

Whole School

In the weekly assemblies this year, we are finding out about a range of different people from all over the world. We will find out about their achievements and how they have overcome challenges or demonstrated any of our 8 Great Ways to Being Our Best.

**Elif Bilgin
Environmentalist**

On Monday, we found out about Elif Bilgin, who comes from Turkey. She spent time as a child coming up with inventions that helped solve problems large and small. These included creating



a set of widescreen wipers for her glasses and a wind-powered toy car.

She also spends time thinking about the ways in which we need to look after the planet. This is where her inventions have started to make a real difference.

At the age of 16 she discovered a way to create a form of plastic from waste banana peels. She feels that everyone, irrespective of their age, are capable of remarkable discoveries.

Her 'Words of Wisdom' say it all:

‘I don’t think that it is your age that determines the potential you have, it is the unlimited imagination you have that gives you the unlimited potential to create.’

Wishing you all a very pleasant weekend.

Paul Grimwood
Headteacher

Dates for the diary...

Autumn Term 2024

Mon 14th October

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Tues 15th October

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Tues 15th October

Reception & Year 1 Early Reading Parent Talk – 2.30pm or 6pm at PAB

Weds 16th October

Deadline to book a Parent Consultation

Fri 18th October

Cake donations to either Office at KGB or PAB

Sat 19th October

PTA Welcome Back Party

Tues 22nd October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Weds 23rd October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Thurs 24th October

Parent Consultations – PAB hall

Thurs 31st October

Deadline to apply for Secondary School place via Surrey County Council website

Mon 28th Oct – Fri 1st November 2024

Autumn Half Term

Mon 4th November

Inset day 3

Mon 4th November

Reception 2025 intake applications open via Surrey County Council website

Tues 5th November

Children return to school

Mon 11th November

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Tues 12th November

Reception 2025 Open Day Tour

Thurs 14 th November	PTA AGM - more details to follow
Mon 18 th November	Reception 2025 Open Day Tour
Tues 19 th November – Fri 22 nd November	Bristol Residential Year 6 – link to the letter here
Sun 24 th November	PTA Panto - more details to follow
Fri 29 th November	Enrichment Clubs end for Year 1 - 6
Fri 20 th December	End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery
Fri 20 th December	No After School Club

Mon 23rd Dec – Fri 3rd January 2025 **Christmas Holiday**

Spring Term 2025

Mon 6th January Children return to school

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st Feb 2025 **Spring Half Term**

Mon 24th February Children return to school

Fri 4th April End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery

Fri 4th April No After School Club

Mon 7th April – Mon 21st April 2025 **Easter Holidays**

Summer Term 2025

Tues 22nd April Children return to school

Mon 5th May Spring Bank Holiday

Mon 26th May – Fri 30th May 2025 **Summer Half Term**

Mon 2nd June Children return to school

Fri 18th July End of term for children: 1.20pm KGB, 1.30pm PAB, 1.40pm Nursery

Fri 18th July No After School Club

Mon 21st July Inset day 4

Tues 22rd July Inset day 5



GUIDE FOR PARENTS

BOOKING PARENTS' EVENING APPOINTMENTS ON SCOPAY

This Guide provides help with the following

- Make a Booking
- View a Booking
- Change a Booking
- Cancel a Booking
- Print a Meeting Schedule

Other Guides for Parents

All parents:

How to **Manage your SCOPAY Account**

How to **Make Payments** on SCOPAY

How to Set up **Alerts** (for low balances, new trips and products, Parents' Evening Meetings)

Parents should check with their school to see which of the following options are available to you:

How to **Order Dinners** Online

How to **Book Clubs** Online

How to **Save Card Details / Recurring Payments**



You might see slight variations to the SCOPAY layout depending on the type and size of screen display you are using.

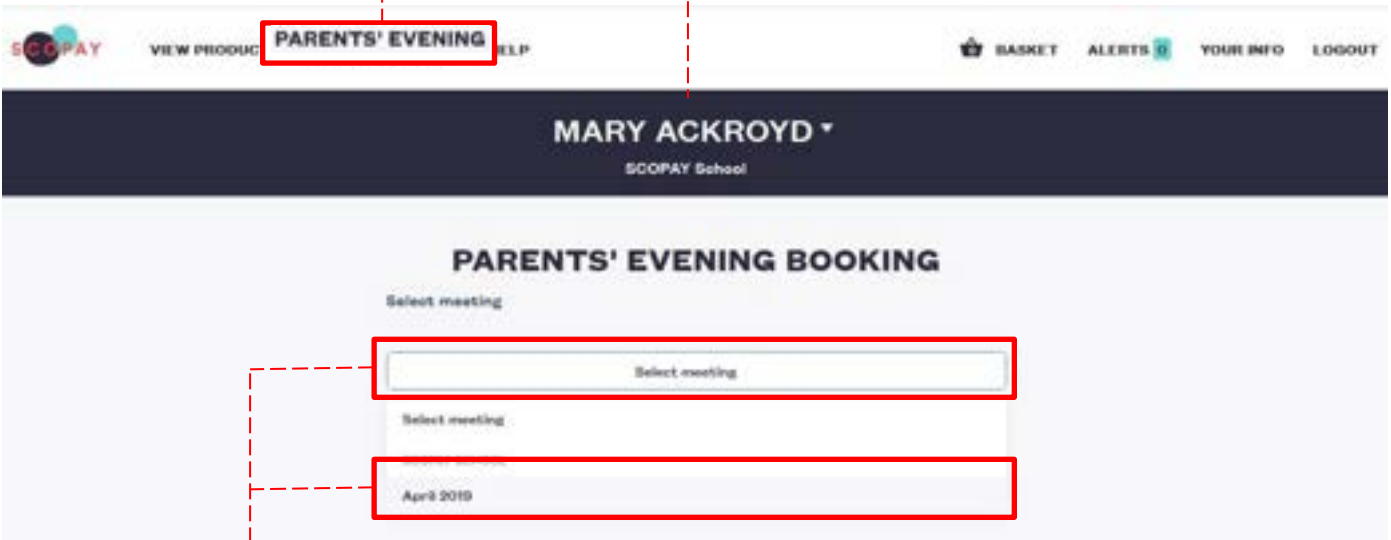
HOW TO LOGIN TO PARENTS' EVENING

Step 1
Download the SCOPAY app or go to the www.scopay.com website and login with your email address and password



Step 2
Select the child you wish to make a booking for

Step 3
Tap on **PARENTS' EVENING**



Step 4
Tap **Select meeting** and tap the required meeting

ⓘ If no meetings are listed, then there are no current meetings for which appointments need to be made.

HOW TO MAKE A BOOKING

The options for your child(ren) will be displayed.

① If you are using a mobile device, to display any other children, swipe across the screen, or rotate to landscape

The teachers available for you to book a meeting with are displayed here

Pupil:	Marc Ackroyd	Marc Ackroyd	Mary Ackroyd	Mary Ackroyd
Teacher:	Miss Chimbani	Mr Hunt	Miss Covington	Mr Hunt
Subject:		Class Teacher		Class Teacher
Room:		Main Hall		Main Hall
TUE, APR 30				
16:00 - 16:05	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK
16:05 - 16:10	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK
16:10 - 16:15	BOOK	UNAVAILABLE	BOOK	UNAVAILABLE
16:15 - 16:20	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK	BOOK

Step 1
Tap the required slot

The slots available for you to book are displayed here

① If you need to make appointments for more than one child at the same meeting, both children will be listed.
If you are using a mobile device, to display any other children, swipe across the screen, or rotate to landscape

Step 2
Add a note for the teacher (optional)

CONFIRM BOOKING?

Appointment to see Miss Chimbani regarding Marc Ackroyd at 16:00 - 16:05

Add a note for the teacher

Step 3
Tap YES

Step 4
Tap OK to confirm the booking

Booking successful.

HOW TO VIEW A BOOKING

Repeat the steps to login. Select **PARENTS' EVENING** and select the meeting. Any current bookings will be displayed.

	Pupil: Marc Ackroyd	Marc Ackroyd	Mary Ackroyd	Mary Ackroyd
Teacher:	Miss Chimbani	Mr Hunt	Miss Covington	Mr Hunt
Subject:		Class Teacher		Class Teacher
Room:		Main Hall		Main Hall
	Add/edit note for the teacher			
	<input type="text"/>			
TUE, APR 30				
16:00 - 16:05	<input type="button" value="CANCEL BOOKING"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>
16:05 - 16:10	<input type="button" value="MOVE HERE"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>
16:10 - 16:15	<input type="button" value="MOVE HERE"/>	<input type="button" value="UNAVAILABLE"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="UNAVAILABLE"/>
16:15 - 16:20	<input type="button" value="MOVE HERE"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>	<input type="button" value="BOOK"/>

The current booking(s) display here

HOW TO CHANGE A BOOKING

Repeat the steps to login. Select **PARENTS' EVENING** and select the meeting.

Pupil:	Marc Aekroyd	Marc Aekroyd	Mary Aekroyd
Teacher:	Miss Chimbani	Mr Hunt	Miss Covington
Subject:		Class Teacher	
Room:		Main Hall	

Add/edit note for the teacher

Step 1
Tap **MOVE HERE** against the new booking time

TUE, APR 30			
16:00 - 16:05	CANCEL BOOKING	BOOK	MOVE HERE
16:05 - 16:10	MOVE HERE	BOOK	MOVE HERE
16:10 - 16:15	MOVE HERE	UNAVAILABLE	MOVE HERE
16:15 - 16:20	MOVE HERE	BOOK	MOVE HERE

MOVE BOOKING?

Please confirm you are moving the following booking

16:00 - 16:05

Replace with:

Appointment to see Miss Chimbani regarding Marc Aekroyd at 16:05 - 16:10

Add a note for the teacher

Step 2
Tap **YES** to move the booking

YES NO

HOW TO CANCEL A BOOKING

Repeat the steps to login. Select **PARENTS' EVENING** and select the meeting.

The screenshot shows a booking interface with the following details:

- Pupil:** Mare Aekroyd, Mare Aekroyd, Mary Aekroyd
- Teacher:** Miss Chimbani, Mr Hunt, Miss Covington
- Subject:**
- Room:**
- Buttons:** Add/edit note for the teacher
- Date:** TUE, APR 30
- Time Slots:**
 - 16:00 - 16:05: CANCEL BOOKING (highlighted), BOOK, MOVE HERE
 - 16:05 - 16:10: MOVE HERE, BOOK, MOVE HERE
 - 16:10 - 16:15: MOVE HERE, UNAVAILABLE, MOVE HERE
 - 16:15 - 16:20: MOVE HERE, BOOK, MOVE HERE

CANCEL BOOKING?

Step 2
Tap **YES** to cancel the booking

YES NO

Booking cancelled.

Step 3
Tap **OK** to cancel the booking

OK

HOW TO VIEW A MEETING SCHEDULE

Repeat the steps to login. Select **PARENTS' EVENING** and select the meeting.

PARENTS' EVENING BOOKING

Select meeting

April 2019

Tap **VIEW MY SCHEDULE** to view on screen

Tap **DOWNLOAD MY SCHEDULE** to open a PDF

MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings booked below will be added to your schedule

VIEW MY SCHEDULE **DOWNLOAD MY SCHEDULE**

Parents' evening meeting schedule
April 2019

Reported at Monday 29 April 2019 17:34

Tuesday 30 April 2019

Time	Pupil	Teacher	Location	Subject	Teacher notes	Parent notes
16:00 - 16:05	Marc Ackroyd	Mr Hunt	Main Hall	Class Teacher		
16:20 - 16:25	Mary Ackroyd	Miss Covington				Please can we discuss recent Maths homework

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More clothes - more funds for your organisation.
1 kg = £0.55

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES



✓ WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

✗ WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

What's on at Woolley Firs



Berkshire
Buckinghamshire
& Oxfordshire
Wildlife Trust



Photo: David Tipling/2020Vision

Halloween Special Bewitching Bat Trail



Monday 28 Oct, Thurs 31 Oct and Friday 1 November

Activities are suitable for ages 4-11 years but younger / older siblings are welcome to accompany.

Join us on our bat trail and travel into the 'bat cave', through the dark forest and around the eerie pasture and become bewitched by brilliant, bewitching bats. Collect knowledge, relics and ingredients along the way, make an enchanting concoction and learn how to save our marvellous creatures of the night!

£5 per child, accompanying adults free. Booking essential

Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Check our website for more events for younger and older at our centre this autumn

Visit our website to book or for more info:

- bbowt.org.uk/events
- 01628 829574 or berkshireeducation@bbowt.org.uk

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Sunday 20th October 2024

2.15 – 3.15pm (2pm for NCT members with a valid card)

St James Senior Boys School
Church Road, Ashford, TW15 3DZ

Entrance £2 per adult (children free)

Come along to buy toys, games, books, equipment and clothes for children aged 0 to 9 years. Maternity wear is also sold.

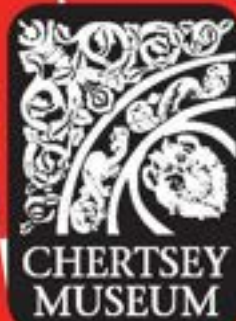
Cash and cards accepted.

Find out more about the event including how to register as a seller or come along and help on the day.

Linktree* linktr.ee/nctsaе



October Holiday Activities



Sarcophagus pencil box and mummy

Tuesday 29th Oct
11am-12pm or 2-3pm
Ages 5-12, £4.50

Come along to the museum to
decorate an Egyptian-style sarcophagus
pencil box plus a make mummy to go
inside. Then make a fun
Halloween trick!

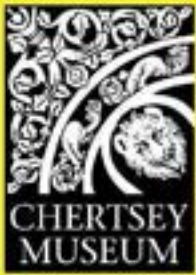
Spooky Mansions

Thursday 31st Oct
11am-12:30pm or 2-3:30pm
Ages 5-12, £4.50

Create a spooky haunted house out
of card and then decorate it.
Perfect for Halloween!

All 5 year olds must be accompanied.
Booking is essential for all activities

Book online at
<https://chertsey-museum.arttickets.org.uk>
or by phone: 01932 565 764



For All
The
Family

1st Saturday
of the month
1.30pm-3.30pm

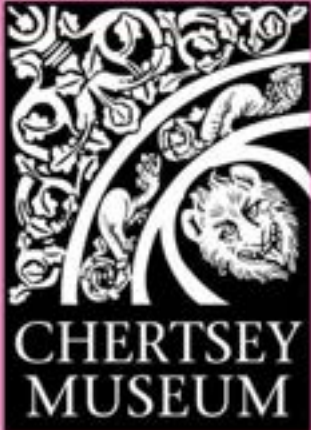
Museum Makes

Join us for a fun family craft activity where imagination meets history in a hands-on experience for all ages!

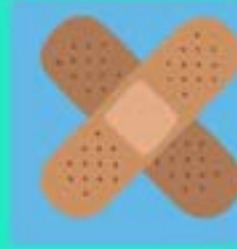


FREE
DROP IN
SESSION





FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN



FREE CRAFT SESSION

HELP US CREATE A WALL HANGING FOR THE MUSEUM COLLECTION INSPIRED BY THE HISTORY OF ST PETER'S HOSPITAL.

BENTA HICKLEY WILL BE ON HAND TO HELP YOU GET CREATIVE USING FELT, MATERIAL SCRAPS OR FABRIC PENS TO CREATE A PATCHWORK SQUARE CELEBRATING OUR LOCAL NHS HEROES TO BE ADDED TO OUR WALL HANGING

ST PETER'S HOSPITAL CRAFT PROJECT

30 OCTOBER
12.30-1.30
OR 14.00-15.00

OR

2 NOVEMBER
11.30-12.30

THIS EVENT IS PART OF OUR ST PETER'S HOSPITAL UNTOLD STORIES PROJECT FUNDED BY AIM & THE HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND. CHERTSEY MUSEUM AND THE HOSPITAL'S HEALING ARTS PROGRAMME HAVE BEEN CAPTURING THE MEMORIES OF HOSPITAL STAFF, PAST AND PRESENT TO ADD TO THE MUSEUM'S ARCHIVES AND TO FORM THE BASIS OF AN EXHIBITION COMING IN 2025

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