

17<sup>th</sup> October 2025



Puttenham  
Church of England School

Dear parents and carers,



Last Tuesday we carried out our Harvest celebration in the playground. We always feel lucky if we are able to have this celebration outdoors as we feel more connected to nature and our wonderful village environment. I wanted to extend a heartfelt thank you for attending our Harvest Festival. It was truly a wonderful celebration of Harvest, and I hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

The Year 2 children did a fantastic job, reading confidently and clearly and the whole school joined together to sing both class and modern harvest songs beautifully.

We thank the Rector and Anne for joining us and being able to receive the Harvest bread, made by the Year 2 children, for St John the Baptist Church in Puttenham.

We are very grateful for your generous donations. It will make a big difference in supporting those who use the Godalming and village community store.



Madame Elisabeth carried out a wonderfully interactive French assembly last week. The children learnt a few French phrases and a colour song. French club is on a Monday and if you would like your child to attend the club please click the following link  
<https://www.kidslingo.co.uk/area/french-classes-farnham/>



Can you believe we are nearly at the end of the first half term! Next week is busy with come and see my learning and Parent/Teacher consultations. We carry out a crèche for school age children whilst you have your consultation. This is usually in the group room run by myself and Mrs Dynan.

The second half term is a really busy one. Please see 'key dates for your diaries' for all the Christmas events.

Next Friday is INSET day. The staff are carrying out First Aid training and we are all going to a local Good Shepherd Trust hub school for restorative behaviour training on the INSET DAY Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. As this is the last newsletter before half term I will take the opportunity to wish you all a restful and joyful break.

Have a lovely weekend.  
Miss De Filippis

### SCHOOL LUNCHES

A new lunch menu will start after half term. There will now be 4 choices a day (see attached). Please remember to book your child's lunches using your SCOPAY account.

### REMINDER

Please can we remind you not to let the children play on the play equipment before and after school. Thank you.

### Headteacher's awards and house points Stars of the week

**Hedgehog class:** Cole and Emlene

**Rabbit class:** Eddie and Bella

**Fox class:** Benjamin and Jemima

**Values award:** Olive for Love

**Lunchtime stars:** Jessie and Maggie

**House points:** Fox class

**Well done to you all!**

### KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

#### COME AND SEE MY LEARNING

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm

#### PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 3.15pm – 6.00pm

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 4.00pm – 7.00pm

#### INSET DAY

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

#### HALF TERM

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October

#### RECEPTION & JUNIOR SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

#### INSET DAY

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

#### PUTTENHAM BONFIRE

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November

#### PSA BOOK COLLECTION

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November

#### PSA MUFTI DAY (CHOCOLATES)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November

#### PSA CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

#### CHRISTMAS PLAY

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 9.00am

(How to order tickets to follow nearer the time)

#### PHYLLIS TUCKWELL REINDEER RUN

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December

#### CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY & CLASS PARTIES

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

#### CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICE

(All welcome)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am

#### BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 1.00pm

#### SPRING TERM STARTS



### You Are Not Alone - Free Parent Online Drop-In

Parenting an autistic child can feel amazing, confusing, and overwhelming, sometimes all in the same day. That's why we host our **no-cost monthly online drop-in sessions** for parents and carers.

**First Tuesday of every month**  
7pm – 8.30pm  
Platform: Zoom



Erik Wagter - host of the drop-in

#### What these sessions are all about

We've created a safe, non-judgemental space where parents can bring their questions, share worries and connect with others who 'get it'.

#### Topics often included:

- Understanding and responding to challenging behaviour
- Making sense of autism on a deeper level
- The ups and downs of family relationships and dynamics
- Working with schools and professionals
- Meeting like-minded parents and realising you are not alone



#### What parents say:

*"Thank you so much for the group this evening. I can't tell you how grateful I feel, and I really do feel less alone and more validated. My hope is back"*

#### Who runs the sessions?

I'm Erik Wagter, co-founder of Autism Family Support Service. Alongside being a social worker, trainer and Solution Focused family coach, I also bring over two decades of personal lived family experience of autism. Sometimes my wife Sally will join in as well.

If you would like to join please send an email to [sallywagter@gmail.com](mailto:sallywagter@gmail.com) and we will send you the Zoom link.

Autism Family Support Service  
[www.autismfamilysupportservice.com](http://www.autismfamilysupportservice.com)



## Puttenham Scarecrow Trail

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup> October

Puttenham CofE Infant school are running their annual scarecrow trail. It is a huge success every year and such a lot of fun!

What do we need from you?

SCARECROWS!

It is time to get creative. Go as crazy or as traditional as you like.

There are THREE prizes to be won!

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place.

Votes can be made on the Puttenham Scarecrow Trail 2025. You will be able to access this Facebook page once a donation has been made. You have got to be in it, to win it!

Scarecrows will need to be completed ready to find their new homes by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at The Marwick Hall at morning drop off.

How will it work?

Scarecrows will be placed around the village ready for the beginning of half term.

Once participants make a suggested donation of £5 at <https://gofund.me/a392971ec> you will be sent a map to complete the trail.

We are trying to raise funds for a Sensory Garden and Forest School Resources. Please do come along and take part and don't forget to vote for your favourite scarecrow.



**All Welcome!**  
Parents, Grandparents,  
Carers, Childminders!

# PUTTENHAM TODDLERS

**Address**  
Marwick Hall  
Puttenham

**When**  
9am - 10.30am  
Every Monday in  
term time

**Contact Us**  
Puttenham Toddlers  
on Facebook

**Activities**  
Craft, messy play, role play,  
ride ons, song time and a  
good selection of toys  
Snack included

**£1  
Donation**

