

13TH FEBRUARY 2026

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# NGPS NEWS

Northgate Primary School Newsletter

## Happy Holidays!

The term has flown by and we are already looking forward to springing into next term! The children have worked incredibly hard over the last six weeks and shown ambition in their reading, resilience in their attitude to attendance and creative flair for all of their learning. Thank you for being so supportive and for encouraging your children to be the best they can be so they can flourish and grow.

Well done to all the children who received attendance awards this half term - being in school every day makes a huge difference to the progress they make.

Thank you to the brilliant mathematicians in Sycamore Class and Mrs Howard for sharing their lesson with all the teachers this week. It was very impressive and we are very proud of them all.

Have a good break with a sprinkle of rest and an abundance of fun. Take care.

**Warm regards,**  
**Amanda Harrison**



**Spring Term: 5<sup>th</sup> January - 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Half term: 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February**

**Inset days: 5<sup>th</sup> January**

**Early finish: 1.30pm 27<sup>th</sup> March**

### DIARY DATES

**Monday 16th February 2026**

**HALF TERM**

**Tuesday 17th February**

**HALF TERM**

**Wednesday 18th February**

**HALF TERM**

**Thursday 19th February**

**HALF TERM**

**Friday 20th February**

**HALF TERM**

# Northgate's Reading Challenge!



Atlantic Ocean

## Total Reading Miles!

✈ Ready, Set, Read! ✈

Class	Miles	Country	Class	Miles	Country
1 Ash	947	South Africa	Poplar	432	Kenya
2 Cherry	837	South Africa	Lime	422	Kenya
3 Blackthorn	776	South Africa	Oak	400	Ethiopia
Apple	750	South Africa	Sycamore	386	Ethiopia
Elm	694	Mozambique	Juniper	358	Ethiopia
Willow	631	Mozambique	Pear	355	Ethiopia
Hawthorn	622	Mozambique	Maple	294	Sudan
Fig	592	Tanzania	Alder	291	Egypt
Beech	584	Tanzania	Hazel	280	Libya
Rowan	571	Tanzania			
Holly	541	Tanzania			
Chestnut	438	Kenya			

Well done to Ash Class for the most miles flown around Africa with a special mention to Cherry, Blackthorn and Apple Class who also made it to South Africa!

The classes got to try Rooibos tea, a South African tea!

Ash Class won Pap and Tomato Soup which is an iconic South African dish which they will make next term!

Cherry, Blackthorn and Apple won Milk Tarts, a traditional custard dessert which they will also make next term!



Individuals who made progress with their attendance over the last couple of weeks received a **£10 Waterstones voucher** today!

Well done to the following children!



Millie-Rae  
Aidan  
Winter  
Raedon  
Miya  
Ophelia  
Franklin  
Hamza  
Naya  
Freddie  
Arrabella  
Phoebe  
Cassius

Sophie  
Lexi-Mae  
Lucia Grace  
Abubakar  
Alex  
Isaac  
Tyler  
Aaron  
Amaya Mae  
Malaika  
Irha  
Spencer  
Erik



Well done to the following classes for the highest class attendance and best class improvement over the last couple of weeks. The classes got to **choose a treat** of popcorn and squash or sweets!



Apple  
Lime  
Blackthorn  
Ash  
Oak  
Willow  
Poplar  
Cherry  
Sycamore  
Rowan  
Elm





# Y6 PRINTING





These children have consistently read 5 times each week at home and will be awarded a special certificate in assembly today!



**Apple:**

Ionut  
Alexandru  
Ragnar  
Lowe  
Christopher  
Yusuf

**Cherry:**

Semilore  
Shanavi  
Ayla  
Theo  
Ivy,  
Jack  
Saalih  
Hadba  
Bray

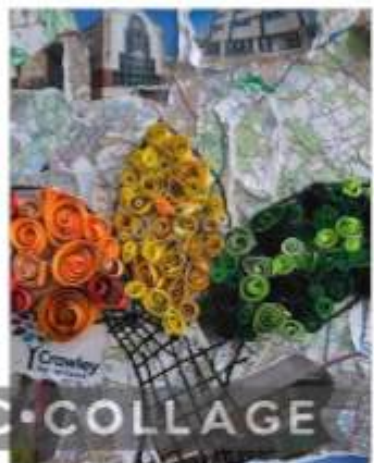
**Fig:**

Alexandra



# Y3 Quilling

Trees with quilled leaves of the Crawley Borough Council logo



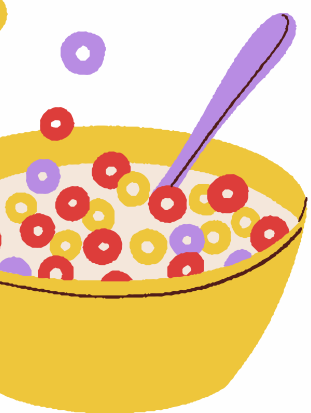
# Breakfast Club!



**Come and join Northgate  
Breakfast Club!**

**7.45am - 8.45am Every day!**

**£5 per child**



**We have lots of new and exciting games and activities with a variety of breakfast options.**

**A fun, gentle start to your child's school day.**

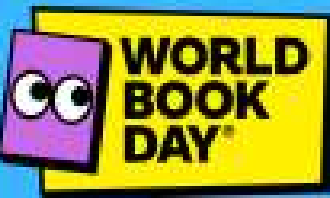


# NORTHGATE ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ AWARDS

**This weeks winners are...**



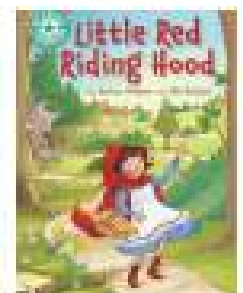
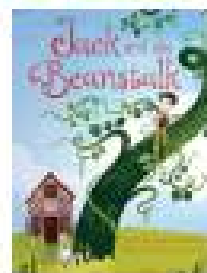
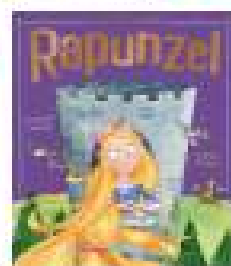
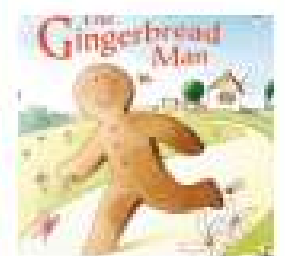
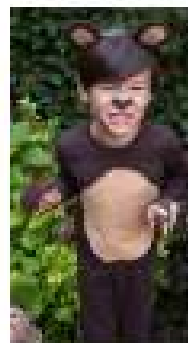
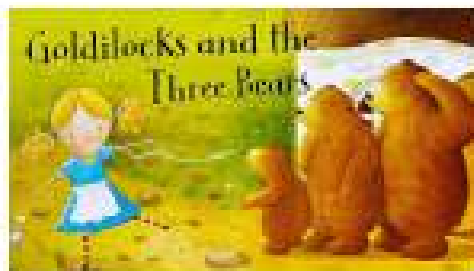
**Luccia, Elaina Jomy, Alisha, Ellis, Ali, Ivy,  
Harley and Andi!**



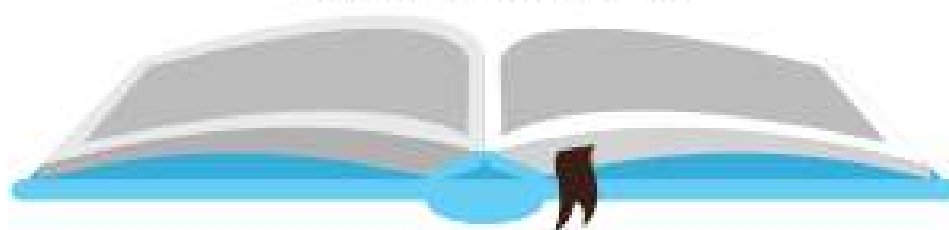
**WORLD BOOK DAY 5/3/26**

# **EYFS AND NURSERY TRADITIONAL TALES**

**ON THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH YOUR CHILD IS WELCOME TO DRESS UP AS A CHARACTER FROM A TRADITIONAL TALE. SOME BOOK AND OUTFIT SUGGESTIONS ARE BELOW! PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN OUT ACROSS THE SCHOOL FOR COSTUMES.**



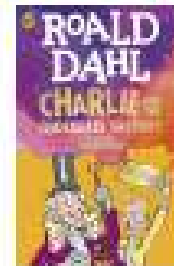
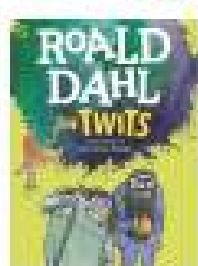
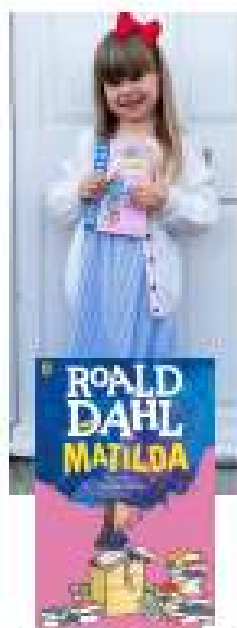
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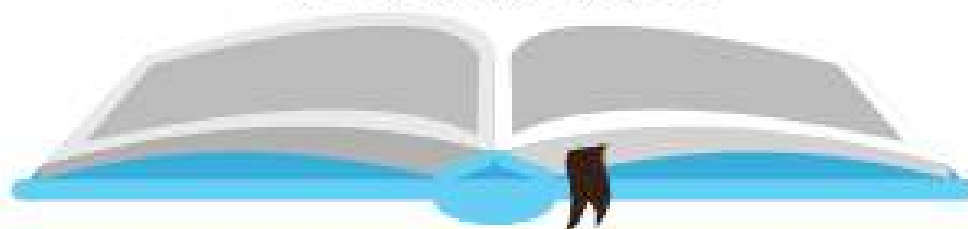
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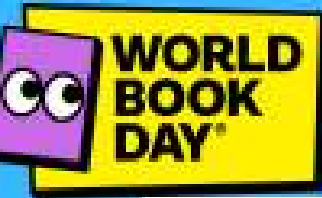
# ROALD DAHL

**ON THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH YOUR CHILD IS WELCOME TO DRESS UP AS A CHARACTER FROM A BOOK BY ROALD DAHL. SOME BOOK AND OUTFIT SUGGESTIONS ARE BELOW! PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN OUT ACROSS THE SCHOOL FOR COSTUMES.**



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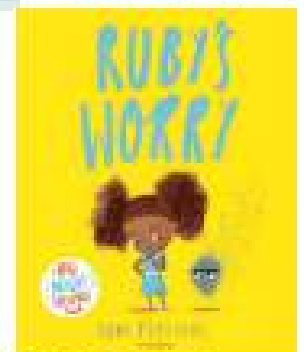
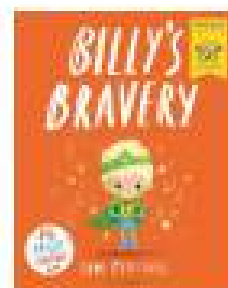
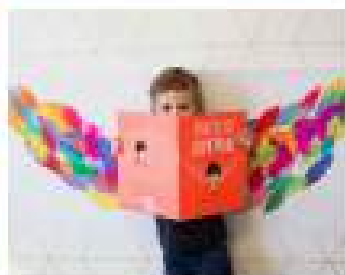
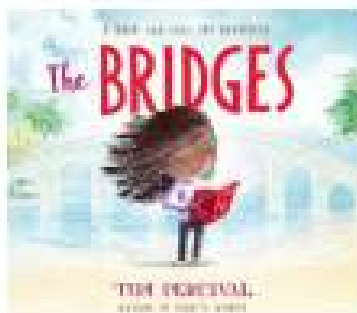
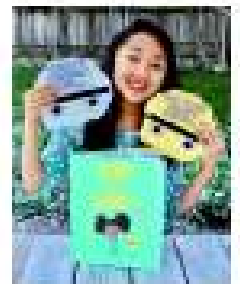
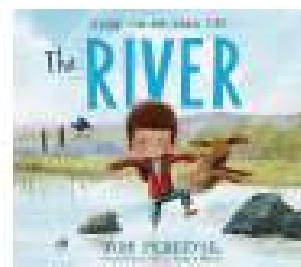
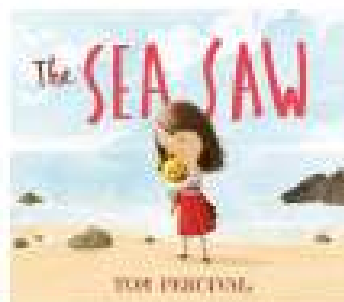
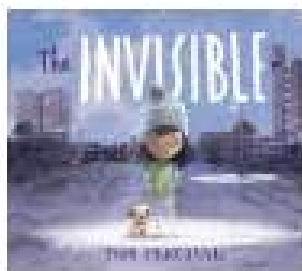


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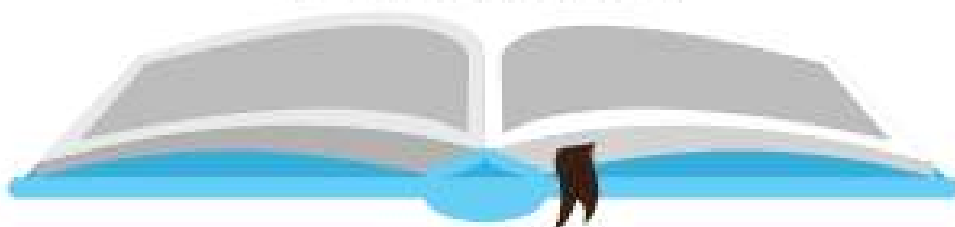
## YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4

# TOM PERCIVAL

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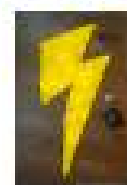
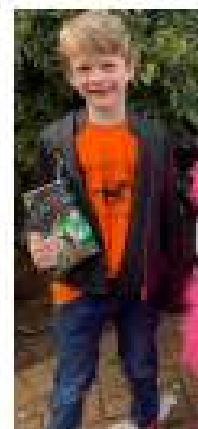
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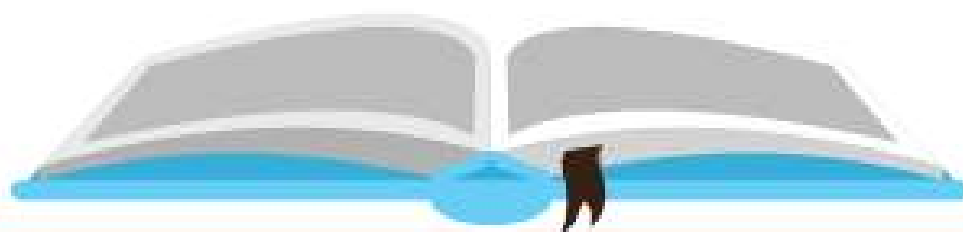
# YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6

## RICK RIORDON

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**ROCK  
STEADY**



**YOUR EASTER CONCERT IS COMING UP!**

**IT'S NEARLY HERE! WE'RE DELIGHTED TO CONFIRM  
YOUR EASTER ROCKSTEADY CONCERT IS TAKING PLACE  
AT 2:30:00 PM ON 3/18/2026.**

**THE CONCERT IS A GREAT WAY FOR CHILDREN AT YOUR  
SCHOOL TO PROUDLY SHOWCASE ALL THEIR MUSICAL  
SKILLS ON STAGE IN FRONT OF A SUPPORTIVE  
AUDIENCE!**

**YOU CAN FIND MORE DETAILS ABOUT YOUR UPCOMING  
CONCERT ON YOUR SCHOOLS PORTAL. IF YOU HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CONCERT, PLEASE CONTACT  
YOUR BAND LEADER.**

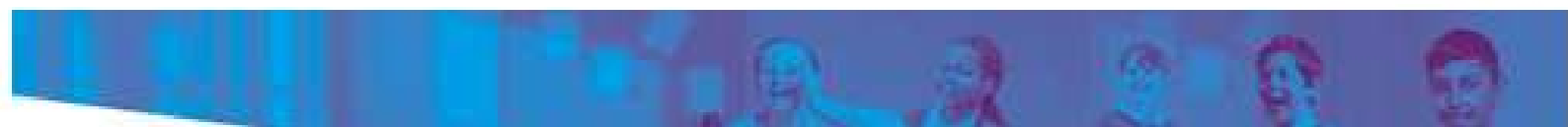
**WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!**

**Schools Hotline Team**

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🌐 [rocksteadymusicschool.com](http://rocksteadymusicschool.com)

**ROCK  
STEADY**



# Spring Term Diary Dates 2026

## February

24th - Parents Evening - 3.30pm -5.50pm

26th- Parents Evening - 3.30pm -5.50pm

**16th - 20<sup>th</sup> - Half term**

23<sup>rd</sup> - Nursery Dentist Visit 11.15am

24<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations - 3.40pm - 6pm

26<sup>th</sup> Parent Consultations - 3.40pm - 6pm

26th - Y6 Bikeability assemblies

## March

5th - World Book Day

17th - Y6 Leavers and Class Photos

18th - Rocksteady Concert

19th - Reception Animal Dress up day

27<sup>th</sup> - School finishes 1.30pm for holidays

## April

**30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holidays**

## May

4th - Bank Holiday

22<sup>nd</sup> - Inset Day

25<sup>th</sup> - Bank Holiday

**26<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> - Half term**

## June

1<sup>st</sup> - Inset Day

14th - 17<sup>th</sup> - Y6 PGL Trip to Windmill Hill

## July

**22<sup>nd</sup> - School finishes 1.30pm for summer holidays**

## HOUSE POINTS OF THE TERM

**JADE**  
**3716**

**RUBY**  
**3123**

**SAPPHIRE**  
**3062**

**AMBER**  
**3579**

# Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) for children

Children and young people aged 4 to 16 who are eligible\* for benefits related free school meals can take part in free clubs during the Easter, Summer and Winter holidays. A free nutritious meal is provided as part of the scheme. Visit our website to find activities near you and book your place.

\*Check eligibility on the webpage and find information about further support and activities available. Places are limited. Paid-for-places may be available, contact individual clubs for availability.

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WINTER GUARD

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AGES 4+

THURSDAYS 6PM- 6:30PM

THE BEWBUSH CENTRE  
DORSTEN SQUARE  
CRAWLEY  
RH11 8XW

£2 PER SESSION

*\*FIRST 2 SESSIONS FREE*

*\*FREE MEMBERSHIP T-SHIRT  
AFTER SIGNING UP*



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**FEBRUARY HALF-TERM  
MULTI-SPORTS  
HOLIDAY CAMP**

JOIN US AT THREE BRIDGES PRIMARY  
SCHOOL (UPPER SITE) FOR 2 FUN-FILLED  
DAYS OF SPORTS!

GET READY FOR FOOTBALL, DANCE,  
DODGEBALL AND MANY MORE!

16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY  
08:45 - 15:15

AGES 5-11 (RECEPTION - YEAR 6)

BOOK A SPACE



**£25  
PER  
DAY**



# LODGE HILL SEND DAY

**WEDNESDAY  
18<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY**

**10AM - 3:30PM**

Lodge Hill Centre,  
Pulborough

For families in  
West Sussex  
with a child  
under 18 with  
additional needs/  
disabilities



## ACTIVITIES ON THE DAY:

- Abseiling
- Archery
- Climbing
- Low Ropes
- We Cycle Too Bikes
- Sno-tubing
- Orienteering
- Nature Trail
- Arts and crafts
- Freedom Through Fun with Chris North
- Woodland Crafts with Forest Knights



**BOOK VIA  
OUR WEBSITE  
NOW!**



# LODGEHILL.ORG.UK

# FEBRUARY

Half Term Holiday

# CLUBS

AT LODGE HILL

9AM –  
4PM



  
LODGE HILL  
CHANGING LIVES

**TUESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> & THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

**£32**

PER CHILD

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT SCHOOL HOLIDAY EXPERIENCE FOR YOUR CHILD? OUR FUN-FILLED HOLIDAY CLUBS ARE DESIGNED FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-12 YEARS, OFFERING EXCITING OUTDOOR ADVENTURES IN A SAFE, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK, VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

**LODGEHILL.ORG.UK**



Join our Holiday Bible Club

# TREASURE HUNTERS

Come and help us find the greatest treasure of all!

**FREE!**

**20TH FEBRUARY**

**10:00am to 16:00pm**

Open to all Primary School - aged children

A day of fun, games,  
craft and teaching on  
Jesus' parables in Luke 15

For more information  
and to register, visit:



TREASURE MAP



THREE BRIDGES  
FREE CHURCH  
JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

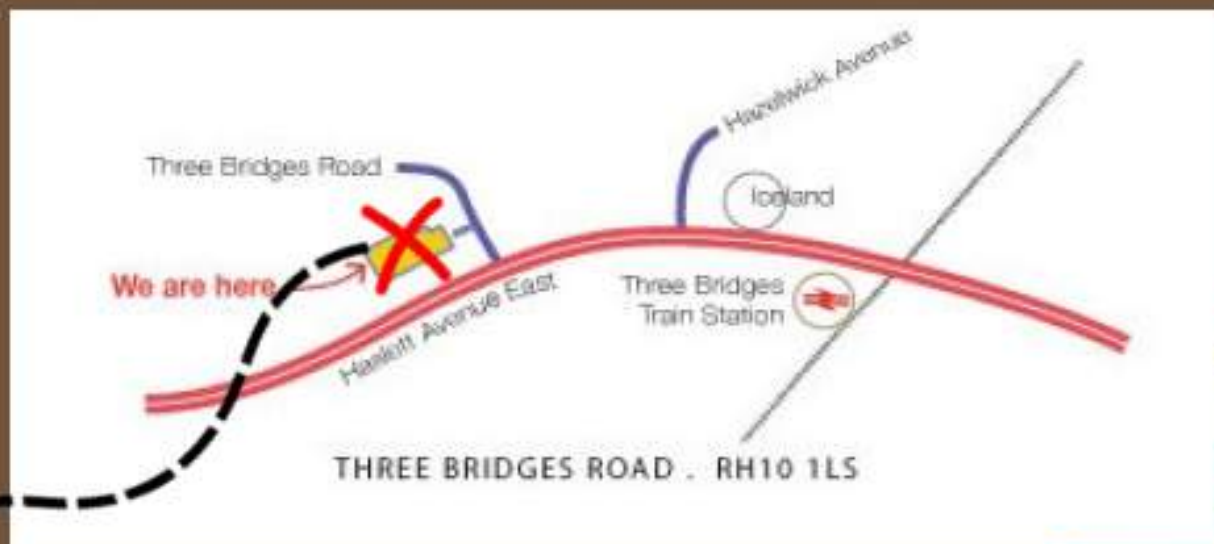
# TREASURE HUNTERS



Just bring yourself and a packed lunch for a day of fun, games, quizzes, Bible stories, crafts, and songs!

DBS  
checked  
team

Three Bridges Free Church, at  
Three Bridges Road, Crawley  
RH10 1LS



# Holy Trinity School

A Church of England Secondary School

## Come and See Family Day

Dear Parents & Guardians

Subject: Invitation to Holy Trinity's "Come and See Family Day"

I am delighted to share that Holy Trinity has been working on an exciting initiative called the Come and See Project. This transition programme is designed to support and enhance the move from Key Stage 2 to Key Stage 3, making the process as seamless as possible for your children

### Families

As part of this project, we are inviting all Year 5 students and one parent/guardian to join us for our "Come and See Family Day" on Saturday, 28th March, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at Holy Trinity School to take part in some secondary school lessons.

### Get Involved:

- Please share our invitation with all Year 5 families.
- Spaces are limited, so families will need to book their place using the QR code provided on our leaflet.

We look forward to welcoming you into our school community.

Scan here to sign up!



# Family Learning in Crawley

**FREE COURSES**

**Join us for our fully-funded courses,  
aimed at parents/guardians and their  
children.**



## **Roar and Explore - Fridays - Starts 6th March - 10am-12pm - Broadfield Library**

*Explore the wonderful world of animals through engaging sessions inspired  
by beloved children's books.*



## **Sing, Say, Play - Thursdays - Starts 26th February - 10am-12pm**

*This exciting journey covers a whole variety of fun ways to encourage and  
develop language and communication.*



# FEBRUARY HALF TERM CLUBS

"Childcare during the holidays they want to go to"  
Fresh air. Fresh activities. Fresh attitude.

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



MONDAY 16 FEB

## BUSHCRAFT VS MINECRAFT

Minecraft comes to life outdoors! Team up to build your village using real bushcraft skills, earn reward pixels for completing survival challenges, & search for hidden resources to craft your tools. Take on Creeper & Lava Chicken games, protect your base, and experience Minecraft like never before! (Knowledge of Minecraft is not required!)

TUESDAY 17 FEB

## WE'RE GOING ON A YETI HUNT!

Become an explorer for the day and step into a world of mystery & adventure! Track the legendary Yeti through the wild as you follow hidden clues, build clever traps, & craft your own Yeti footprints as proof of your discovery. Work together to uncover the forest's secrets, outsmart the wild's most mysterious creature, and maybe even meet the Yeti itself!

WEDNESDAY 18 FEB

## NERF: WILD WEST SHOWDOWN

Let's go back in time and ride into a Wild West world of heists and outlaws! Grab your blasters, team up, and join stagecoach standoffs, bank robbery missions, and cattle corrals in a full day of action-packed Nerf games. A fast-paced, high-adventure Nerf experience! (Age 6+ recommended)

THURSDAY 19 FEB

## CAMPFIRE COOKOUT, PANCAKE SPECIAL & BUSHCRAFT SKILLS

Join us for the perfect winter campfire cookout! Make s'mores & Pancakes over the flames, learn different bushcraft fire lighting methods & enjoy a mix of classic outdoor games. A cosy & relaxed day filled with creativity, camp vibes, tasty treats and skills to take home and share with your family!

FRIDAY 20 FEB

## TRIBAL ADVENTURE: BUILD, CRAFT & SURVIVE!

Join your tribe for a day of wild adventure! Work together to build your tribal woodland camp & get creative with tribal crafts. Take on castaway style team challenges & games as you learn how tribes across the world live & survive in the wild!



For more info on dates, locations and how the clubs run & to book: [www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk](http://www.theoutdoorsproject.co.uk)

LINK - BRIGHTONSCIENCE.COM



BRIGHTON science FESTIVAL

SAT FEB 14TH - SAT FEB 21ST

# HANDS-ON HALF TERM

THE SCOUT HUT (BY THE CO-OP) OLD LONDON ROAD, PATCHAM, BN18XR

# Wicketz in Crawley

Fancy playing some cricket in a fun & relaxed environment? Why not come down to one of our FREE weekly Wicketz sessions in Crawley and see what they're all about!



## 5 Clubs

See locations below

Cost: FREE  
Timings & age groups for each club may vary, please check our website for full session details.




-  K2 Crawley | Mondays, 4-5pm
-  Domesday Youth Centre | Tuesdays, 4-6pm
-  Brookside Youth Centre | Wednesdays, 4-6pm
-  Hill Community College | Thursdays, 4:30-6pm
-  Apple Tree Centre | Fridays, 4-5pm (Mixed - Hard ball) & 4:45-5:45pm (Girls only)



Sussex Cricket



## What to Expect?

-  Have fun & make new friends whilst improving your skills!
-  Wear what you want (comfortable sports shoes recommended)
-  Open to all young people with mixed & girls sessions available



[alison.purves@sussexcricket.co.uk](mailto:alison.purves@sussexcricket.co.uk)

SCAN OR COPY  
TO VISIT WEBSITE





## Community Foundation

*Positively changing lives through sport and football*

If you are still stuck for something for your child to do this school holiday, then please check out our extremely popular soccer schools held at Broadfield Stadium! Led by our FA qualified coaches, the players will learn new skills, play fun games followed by matches and tournaments. Unlike other soccer schools, we are based at Crawley Town FC's stadium and the players will have the opportunity to tour the grounds and maybe even meet a player or two (subject to availability and the players' schedules). At the end of each day, the coaches will give out medals for their 'Player of the Day' and at the end of the week a lucky few will also be awarded trophies for Player of the Week, Most Improved and Sportsman of the Week. Please see the link below for more details and to sign up:

**February Soccer School** - <https://www.abler.io/shop/crawleytown/soccer-schools>

In addition, if you are looking for extra training for your child, we also run weekly sessions for all ages and abilities, again, please see the links below:

**Mini Reds** - <https://www.abler.io/shop/crawleytown/saturday-soccer>  
Saturday Morning football for 5 to 7 years olds

**Saturday Soccer Centre** - <https://www.abler.io/shop/crawleytown/saturday-soccer>

Saturday Morning football for 8 to 12 year olds

**Goalkeeping** - <https://www.abler.io/shop/crawleytown/goalkeepers>

Specialist goalkeeper training for all ages and abilities with the best keepers from each age group selected to represent Crawley Elite & Development squads in fixtures.