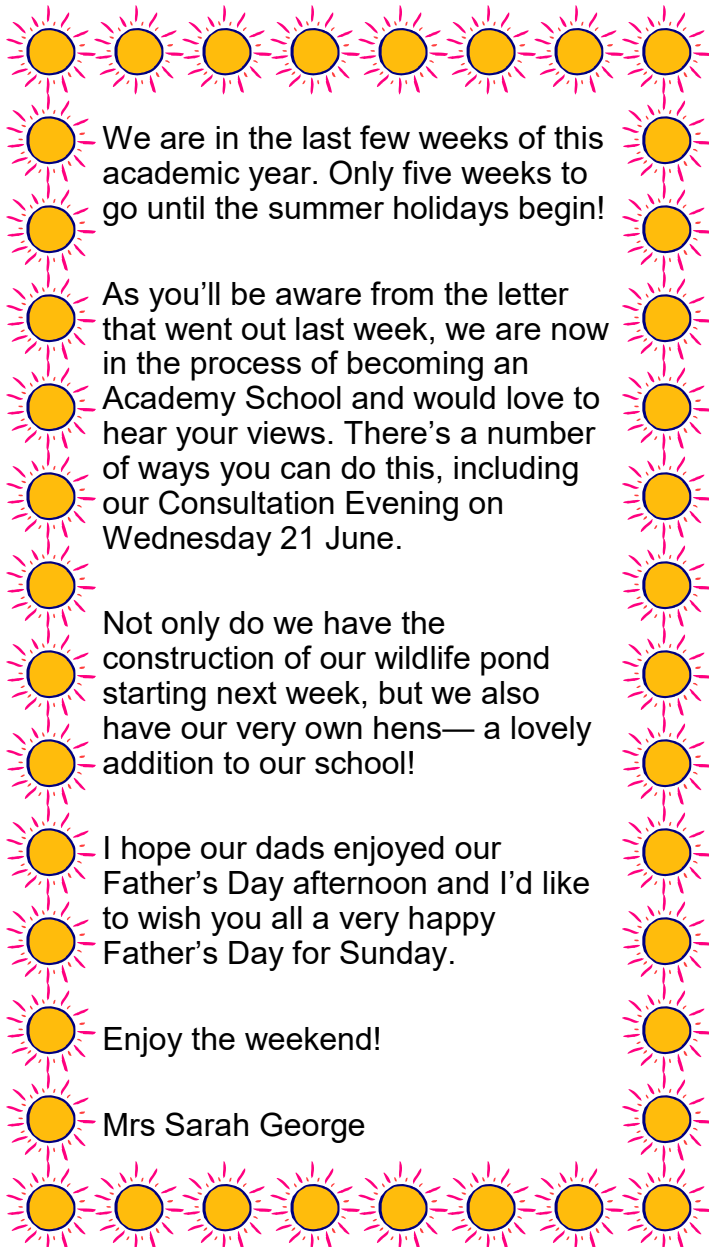


# Hurst Green Happenings

## 16 June 2023



We are in the last few weeks of this academic year. Only five weeks to go until the summer holidays begin!

As you'll be aware from the letter that went out last week, we are now in the process of becoming an Academy School and would love to hear your views. There's a number of ways you can do this, including our Consultation Evening on Wednesday 21 June.

Not only do we have the construction of our wildlife pond starting next week, but we also have our very own hens— a lovely addition to our school!

I hope our dads enjoyed our Father's Day afternoon and I'd like to wish you all a very happy Father's Day for Sunday.

Enjoy the weekend!

Mrs Sarah George



**Hot Weather:** During the hot weather, please remember to apply a high factor sun cream to your child BEFORE coming in to school. They will also need a hat to protect them from the sun whilst they are playing outside.

**Footwear:** Some children have been coming into school in Croc style shoes. This type of footwear isn't suitable for school, so please make sure your child is wearing appropriate and supportive shoes.

**Lost Uniform:** Another reminder that we have lots of lost and unnamed uniform here in the school office. Please get in touch if you are missing anything and we can see if it is here.



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## IMPORTANT DATE: Academy Consultation

As you may be aware, we have been granted an academy order by the Department for Education giving permission for us to start the process of becoming an Academy School and joining the [Tandridge Learning Trust](#) (TLT).

We are currently going through the consultation process (running from 9 June to 7 July) and would like to invite parents / carers to our **Consultation Evening** here at school on Wednesday 21st June at 7pm. Along with Mrs George, members of the TLT will be present so that you have the opportunity to ask questions and share your views. **Please can you confirm with the school office if you're able to attend.**

Tandridge  
Learning Trust



Registered Charity number 1156814

# Hurst Green School Association News...

**Read-a-thon:** Thanks to everyone who took part in our Sponsored Read-a-thon over the May half term. We raised over **£500** thanks to your amazing efforts.



**Feast on the Field:** On **Friday 23 June** we'll be hosting our first ever Feast on the Field event (weather permitting) right here on our lovely school grounds. Parents and children are invited (free of charge) to stay after school and bring their own picnic to enjoy together on the field. The event will run from 3.15 to 5.15.

**Freeze Pop Fridays:** Today we held our first **Freeze Pop Friday!** We'll be holding these every Friday when the weather is hot. Pops cost 50p each and will be available to buy from the playground at pick up.



**AGM:** This year we'll be holding our AGM earlier than usual to give us more time to plan for the next academic year. We will be holding it on **Monday 10th July** at 7pm at the school. Please do come along—the more the merrier!



## Introducing... Our School Chickens

We are very excited to share the news with you all that we are the proud new owners of some school chickens!

You may remember that we recently took part in the Hatching Eggs project? Well, three of the hens that were incubated here have stayed. One has already been named Hobbles (she was born with a bad leg and nursed back to health by Miss Douglas and Mrs Sone) and we will soon be naming the other two with the help of our children.

The 'girls', as we fondly refer to them, are in a temporary coop outside Reception's classroom, where they receive a lot of attention! When they are old enough, they'll set up their permanent home in a large walk-in run (thanks to the HGSA for their help with this) where they'll have the space and freedom to flap, scratch, explore and climb, and be happy hens.

Children (if they wish) will be fully involved in looking after the chickens, including helping with enrichment, feeding and collecting fresh eggs.



## TRANSITION WORKSHOP

We understand that parents will want to support their children so that they are confident and ready to start their next journey.

This year the school are delighted to hold a workshop for parents to prepare them for their children's imminent transition to junior school. This is the first time this event has been held and if enough parents come, we hope to hold more wellbeing workshops like this next year.

It would be lovely to see you there. You will get a chance to meet with a teacher from your child's new school and have a chat over a cup of coffee and a biscuit.



### Supporting your child with the transition from Infant to Junior School

Join YMCA East Surrey's School-based Needs Team for this informative and supportive workshop about the transition from Infant to Junior school and how you can support your child. This workshop is suitable for parents and carers with children in school years 1 and 2.

The workshop will take place at Hurst Green Infant School and last around an hour. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

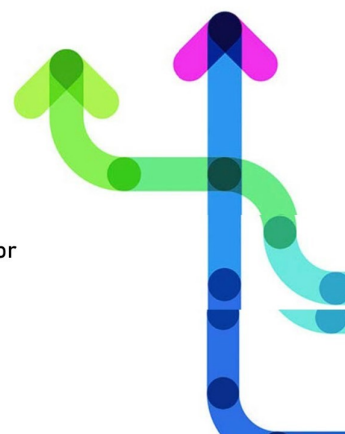
**Tuesday 20th June at 1.30pm**

**Hurst Green Infant School, Wolfs Wood RH8 0HJ**

Please contact the office on [office@hurstgreenschool.org](mailto:office@hurstgreenschool.org) or 01883 712171 if you would like to attend.



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Here for communities  
Here for you



## Raring2go!

We have lots of copies of Raring2go! Magazine (Summer 23 edition) here in the school office.



Raring2go! is packed full of things to do for the whole family and covers Crawley, East Grinstead and Reigate.

If you'd like a copy, please pop into the school office.

Alternatively, you can check out their website [here](#).

## Forest School



During the hot weather, we'll be giving children ice pops in our Forest School sessions to help keep them cool.

If you don't want your child to have an ice pop, please email the school office.

Please also remember to pack thin, long sleeve tops and thin trousers to keep them protected from the sun and insects.



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## Term Time Holidays and Fines

As parents, you have a legal responsibility to ensure your child's attendance at school.

The Education (Pupil Registration)(England)(Amendment) Regulations 2013, state that Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The Head Teacher is also required to determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

Unauthorised absence of 5 days or more will result in the issue of a Penalty Notice. Penalty Notices are issued by the Local Authority in accordance with Surrey County Council's Code of Conduct. The Penalty Notice is £60, per child per parent/carer, if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in the Local Authority considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

The Head Teacher will consider the reasons for the request carefully and will notify you of the decision. If you are taking your child out of school for a holiday or any other reason other than medical, please ask the school office for a Leave of Absence Form.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Term 2023	
W/c Monday 19 June	Rising 5 Lunches begin for pre-Reception nursery children
Tuesday 20 June	Reception Library Visit
Friday 23 June	Year 1 visit to Hazelwood School's Kindness Fair
Tuesday 27 June	Transition Day
W/c 3 July	Storytelling Afternoons for new Reception children
Friday 7 July	Sports Day (morning—timings tbc)
Tuesday 11 July	Local Infant Schools' Music Festival (Y2) at Hurst Green
Thursday 13 July	HGSA Summer Disco
Friday 14 July	Circus Skills Day for Reception, Y1 and Y2
Friday 14 July	School Reports out to Parents
Monday 17 July	Reception trip Gatton Park
Wednesday 19 July	Leavers' Assembly (morning—timings tbc)
Thursday 20 July	Leavers' Lunch
<b>Friday 21 July</b>	<b>Last day of Summer Term! 1.30 FINISH</b>



# After School Clubs

We are delighted to share with you our clubs for the Summer Term.

## Monday

**Athletics Club** (run by Mini Athletics) - Reception, Y1 and Y2

£6.70/session—starts after half term for 6 weeks (first session **12th June**)

Please sign up on the website: <https://www.miniathletics.com/find-a-class/?q=rh8+0hy>

## Tuesday

**Dance Fitness and Movement** – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session

To sign up, please contact Jolene on 07894 715655

## Wednesday

**Taekwondo** – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session

To sign up, please contact Coach Hachem on 07747 779717

**Art Club** – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£15/half term (run by Mrs Holliman and Mrs Sone) - first session **Wednesday 14th June**

**FULL**

## Thursday

**Tennis Club** (run by Hurst Green Tennis Club) —Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/session (last session **Thurs 13 July**)

To sign up, please contact the office. Limited places available!

## Friday

**Gardening Club** – Reception, Y1 and Y2

£5/half term

**FULL**



# FEAST ON THE FIELD

Friday 23 June  
3:15 to 5:15

Pack a picnic & join us on the playing field for  
a fun afternoon



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have over 33 years childcare experience, NNEB Qualification. All my policies are up to date, including First Aid, Public Liability Insurance, Safeguarding, Food and Hygiene Certificate ( 5 star rated with Tandridge Council), Business car insurance and car seats are available to suit individual needs.

Home made healthy meals provided

Childcare vouchers accepted



I have a warm, safe welcoming household. Family members are all DBS registered. We have a secure garden for the children to play in. I offer fun activities for all ages, cooking, crafts, and games.



St Mary's Open School  
 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 4pm- 5:30pm

## For those considering school choices for September 2024 – Year 3

Meet the teachers, see the examples of the children's learning, and experience our learning environment

*guided tours available from the Junior hall (for prospective year 3 families) final tours will leave at 5.15pm*



# SUMMER SWIM CRASH COURSES



St Stephens Primary  
Hunters Chase  
Godstone RH9 8HR

25-27 July 1.30-3.30pm

31 July - 3 August 3.00-5.00pm

14-17 August 9.00-11.00am

21-24 August 9.00-11.00am

All lessons thirty minutes

£37.50/3 days

£50/ 4 days

Private lessons on request £27



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# HURST GREEN'S COMMUNITY FRIDGE!

Every Wednesday - 11:15 -12:30  
St Agatha's Hall, Hurst Green

A community fridge is a free service to help lessen food waste in the community! It's open to everyone and helps share food that would otherwise be thrown away! All food is free and EVERYBODY is welcome! Come have a browse for some fresh veggies, fruit and cupboard foods

If you would like to volunteer your time to serve teas and biscuits, donate food, or if you're a local business that has stock you'd like to donate, please contact us at:

lotwina@stjhurstgreen.co.uk or call 07553305087  
(Tuesday - Thursday)

## EVERYONE WELCOME

Let's Combat Food Waste Together!

Email: [office@hurstgreenschool.org](mailto:office@hurstgreenschool.org) Website: [www.hurstgreenschool.org](http://www.hurstgreenschool.org) Phone: 01883 712171

Emergency information regarding the school will be announced on Heart Radio 102.7FM and the school website

**STARTING 10TH  
NOVEMBER!**



# **POP-UP COMMUNITY HUB**



**THURSDAYS  
13:00 - 15:00**

St Agatha's Hall,  
Hurst Green

**FREE Tea, Toast, Cake  
and Conversations!**

**Community Support,  
Advice and Initiatives!**

**Warm, Open, Inclusive  
Space for everybody!**

**Special celebratory  
Events & Workshops!**

Want to get involved or volunteer? Please email [office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk](mailto:office@stjhurstgreen.co.uk)