



School News & Updates - 4th September 2026.

A note from Mr Jolley:

A very warm welcome back to school, and an extra special welcome to all of our new families joining our school community for the first time! We are thrilled to have you with us as we embark on another exciting year of learning, growth, and wonderful experiences.

I am confident that our amazing staff have already given warm welcomes to you all over the first few days, helping our pupils settle in smoothly and feel right at home.

Additionally, a warm welcome to our new staff - Mrs Roundhill, who will teach a day in each Y3, Y5 and Y6 this term; Miss Walker who will teach Y4 this term and Miss Herbert who will be supporting in Nursery.

I will be joining the Y6 class on residential next week, Monday - Wednesday - I look forward to the entertainment of the piranha pool! We will have an absolute blast!

Safeguarding at Our School

The safety, well-being, and happiness of our pupils are always our top priorities. We want to ensure that all families know who to reach out to if you ever need support or wish to report any challenges or concerns.

Our Designated Safeguarding Team consists of:

- Mr Jolley
- Mrs Smith
- Mrs Veitch
- Mrs Micklefield
- Mrs Sherwin

If you have any safeguarding questions or concerns, you can contact the team directly via our dedicated email address:

safeguarding@cps.owlcotesmat.org *(messages sent here reach all members of our safeguarding team).*

Key Digital Platforms – Check Your Logins!

To stay connected and ensure you have access to important updates, school meals, and pupil progress, please make sure you have active logins for all of our primary platforms:

- Arbor: Used for school communication, updates, attendance, and managing pupil details.
- ClassCharts: Used for tracking behaviour, achievements, and daily classroom routines.
- SchoolGrid: Used for viewing menus and ordering school meals.

If you need help accessing any of these platforms, please contact the main office.

How to Contact Us

Communication between home and school is key to supporting your child's journey. Please note our primary communication channels:

- General Enquiries & Staff Contact: For general questions or to get in touch with specific classroom staff, please contact the main school office email address. Our admin team is best placed to direct your query to the correct member of staff quickly and efficiently:
office@cps.owlcotesmat.org
- SEND Support: For questions or updates regarding Special Educational Needs and Provision, please reach out directly to our dedicated SEN team at:
SEND@cps.owlcotesmat.org
- For pastoral support, we have a dedicated pastoral email address:
pastoral@cps.owlcotesmat.org
- This is mainly managed by Mrs Veitch, who is our pastoral leader.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead together!

Please see our calendar dates:

Monday 7th September - Wednesday 9th September	Y6 - Robinwood Residential
Thursday 10th September	Provisional date for Reception French taster session
Monday 21st September	Reception parents event - Phonics (more info to follow)
Monday 28th September - Friday 2nd October	Y6 - Bikeability cycle training
Wednesday 30th September	Whole school assembly - Energy Heroes Y5 - Energy Heroes workshop
Friday 2nd October	Flu vaccinations in school (Reception - Y6)
Tuesday 6th October/Tuesday 20th October (to be confirmed)	Y3 - Stained Glass Window workshop at Church
Thursday 8th October	Y1 - Zoolab visit/experience
Monday 12th October	Y2 - NSPCC Workshop
Friday 16th October	Parent event - Mindmate Coffee Morning - Big Emotions
Friday 16th October	Y2 - Great Fire of London - Live Stream from London Museum
Monday 19th October - Friday 23rd October	Theme week - Eco Week/Sustainability
Monday 19th October	Y1 - Grave-stone exploring at Church
Wednesday 21st October	School photos - Individual
Wednesday 21st October	Y4 - Heritage Trail at Church
Wednesday 21st October	Y5 - Grave stone photography at Church
Thursday 22nd October	Rob Biddulph - School visit! (Drawing with Rob)
Thursday 22nd October	Y6 - Grave stone photography at Church
Friday 23rd October	School closes for half term
Monday 2nd November	School opens

Please see here for our calendar dates (holidays and training days):

[Calendar Dates for 2026-2027](#)