



Parent/Carer Newsletter

30th September 2026



"You don't have to be great to start, but you have to start to be great."

Zig Ziglar

Key dates for Parent/Carers

Mon 21st Sept - Mon 5th October

Fair Trade Fortnight

Monday 28th - Friday 2nd October

Netball inter-house competition

Sunday 4th October

Harvest Festival

All Saints Church - 10 am

Wednesday 7th October

Second hand uniform Sale

Thursday 8th October

Annual Flu Vaccination

Wednesday 14th October

Deadline for Xmas4schools artwork

Thursday 15th October

PTA Quiz Night!

Monday 19th October

Y4 Victorian Day

Wednesday 21st October

ASJS Open Evening for prospective
and current parents

Thursday 22nd October

Break the Rules Day

Thursday 22nd October

End of term - Finish at 3.30pm

Friday 23rd October	Inset Day
Monday 2nd November	Inset Day
Tuesday 3rd November	Pupils return to school
Tuesday 3rd November	Parents evening
Thursday 5th November	Parents evening
Friday 6th November	Class Attenborough swimming
Sunday 8th - Saturday 14th November	Year 6 residential to Rhos-Y-Gwaliau
Wednesday 2nd December	Christmas Wreath Making
Thursday 17th December	Year 3 Christmas service
Friday 18th December	End of Term - 1.30pm finish.

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Priority Message

Dear Parents & Carers

We were all blown away with how smart the children looked last week for their individual photos. Understandably, due to the very hot weather before the summer holidays, we allowed much cooler clothing for school uniform which has continued into September. However, we are very grateful to all parents ensuring the children are wearing the correct jumpers, correct PE kit and we are seeing more and more ties which do make the children look very smart!

This week sees all pupils in all year groups take part in our Inter-house netball competition. Each year group are split into their respective houses and will play each other to determine the winners of each year group. In addition, Mrs Thompson is keeping score of all houses to find out the overall winner for this years' Inter House Competition.





The afternoons have gone very well so far with both year 3 and Year 5 completing their competitions with year 4 and year 6 taking part on Thursday and Friday. We are hoping to announce the results in assembly on Friday and look out for the results in the newsletter next week! A big thank you to Mrs Thompson for organising the competition!

And finally, the whole school continues with our Fairtrade Campaign with our fantastic Eco Leaders leading a very informative assembly last week. Please do read the write up from Miss Nowaczyk below.

Have a lovely rest of the week!

Mr Mckrell

Deputy Headteacher

*And I will always guide you and satisfy you with good things. I will keep you strong and well.
You will be like a garden that has plenty of water, like a spring of water that never goes dry.*

(GNT Isaiah 58:11)

Quiz Night



Get ready for a brilliant evening!

Tickets for our upcoming quiz night on the 15th October are officially on sale now!

Price £5/person or grab a full table of 6 for £25

Where to buy: head over to scopay right away to secure your spot.

Numbers are limited so make sure you get your ticket(s) before they sell out.

This is always a brilliant night and a great way to fundraise for the school.

Break the Rules!



Eco Leaders at the Harvest Festival

As last year, Fr Jeremy has kindly invited our Eco Leaders to represent All Saints Junior School at the Harvest Festival at All Saints Church on Sunday, 4th October at 10:00 am.

During the service, our Eco Leaders will give a short presentation about our Eco School journey and share some of the work we are doing to care for our environment.

Following the service, there will be an auction to raise funds for local schools. Part of the money raised will be donated to our PTA to help restore the Adventure Playground.

We warmly invite our families to come along and join us for this special community celebration. It would be lovely to see you there supporting our Eco Leaders and, if you would like to, taking part in the auction to help us bring our Adventure Playground back to life.

Fairtrade Fortnight: Small Choices, Big Difference

From 21st September to 5th October, our school is celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight, launched with a special assembly led by our Eco Leaders.

We encourage our whole school community to look out for the **Fairtrade Logo** when shopping. Choosing Fairtrade products is a simple way to show compassion and respect for farmers and workers and ensure their hard work is fairly rewarded.

Children are invited to collect Fairtrade logos from product packaging and bring them to school between 21st September and 5th October. The class that collects the most logos will enjoy a Fairtrade hot chocolate party!

Small choices can make a difference. Thank you for supporting Fairtrade and helping our children become thoughtful and responsible global citizens.



PTA Preloved Uniform Sale

PRELOVED UNIFORM SALE

Wednesday, 7th October

8:30–8:45am & 3:30–4:00pm

TOO SMALL? PASS IT ON!

Donate your outgrown school uniform

Clean, good-quality uniform gratefully received.

 **Drop donations at the School Office**

THEN COME & GRAB A BARGAIN!

Year 3 entrance **£2 PER ITEM**

Reduce • Reuse • Recycle

All proceeds go to the PTA & School

Class Spotlight - Attenborough

Attenborough have settled well into Year 5 and are already very busy learning!

In Writing, we have been learning our new model text 'Diagon Alley. We have been learning the text through a process called text-mapping, as well as creating actions and reciting the text out loud. Now, we are beginning to use that text as an example to write our own sentences and short paragraphs building up to writing a portal story by the end of term.

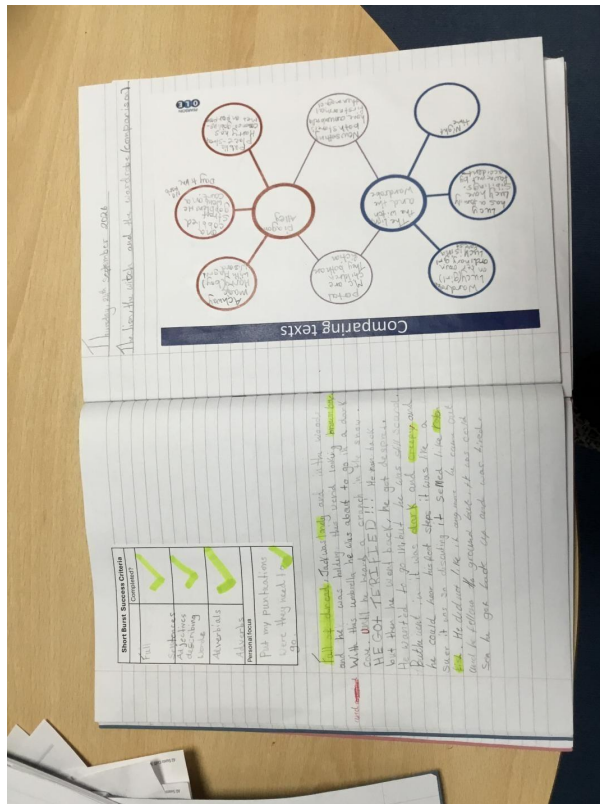
In Reading, Attenborough have really been enjoying the class text 'Wonder'. The story centres on a young boy named Auggie who begins middle school after being home-schooled. Although Auggie longs to be ordinary, he has a genetic condition that makes him quite different to the children around him. The text has allowed for lots of thoughtful discussions about how we treat and understand others, which has been a great way to start the new year.

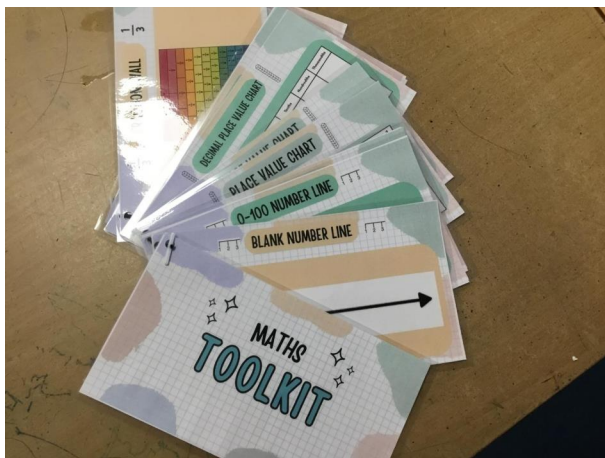
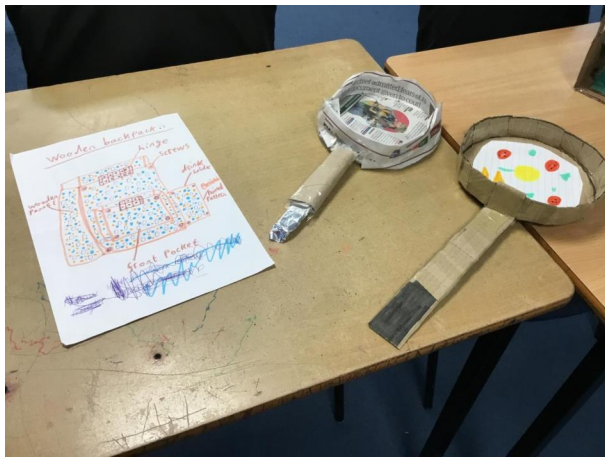
In Maths, we have just finished our place value topic and we are now moving on to addition and subtraction, building on knowledge from Year 3 and Year 4. Some students have been using Maths toolkits to support their understanding and independent work. It's been great to see them use these tools to achieve success in a lesson!

In History, students have been learning about the Vikings and we have been discussing whether they were raiders, traders or something else! There's been lots of great discussion in class as well as examining sources, making judgements, recording our own Viking sagas as well as acting as Viking traders ourselves.

Attenborough have been spending their Thursday afternoons with Mr Green, who teaches them Computing and Science. Everyone has been enjoying the variety and Attenborough are

This week in PE we will be taking part in the interhouse Netball competition, and we have been practicing our skills in PE lessons this term. Students have been busy elsewhere in the curriculum, from making doodle bots in DT, learning more about Sikhism in RE and musical notation in Music, learning is in full swing in Year 5.





STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelley	Misbah has really impressed us this week with her enthusiasm and determination with her reading. We can see how hard she is trying and we know that she will continue to improve if she keeps up the good work. Little steps every day can take you far!
3.2 - Lovelace	Sameera has impressed everyone this week because she is always ready to learn and contributes well to class discussions. She presents her work beautifully and has made a great start to year 3! Well done!
4.1 - Owens	Zimal has really impressed us with her focus and effort in all of our lessons this week. She listens carefully to instructions and has written an excellent, independent dark setting for her story. She works methodically and accurately in Maths and her 99 Club results are fantastic. She is a delight to teach. Well done!
4.2 - Lindgren	Ralph continues to impress us with his extensive knowledge, which he enthusiastically shares during class discussions. He consistently follows our class rules and has become a wonderful role model for others, showing a positive attitude to learning and always brightening our classroom with his charming smile.
5.1 - Aquino	Alexandra has demonstrated an excellent attitude to work. We have been really impressed with how well she has settled into Aquino class. She always works hard and constantly strives to improve. She pays close attention in lessons, then seeks and acts on feedback in order to improve. Well done!
5.2 - Attenborough	Lio has settled so well into Year 5 and into a new school! It's never easy to transition into a new year group and a new school, but he has proved himself always engaged and eager to take on all aspects of school life. He takes part in every lesson, he follows expectations quickly and he is a responsible role model to his peers! Thank you for giving everything your best! We are very lucky to have you at All Saints - keep it up!
6.1 - Hawking	Zayan has impressed us with his kindness and compassion towards his peers. He has taken the time to help children around him and explain the task to them, so that they can complete their work. He has also worked well as a talk partner, helping his partner with suggestions and ideas to improve their work! Well done and keep it up!
6.2 - Hadid	Athena has really impressed us with her high standard of work and determination in all lessons. Every day we see Athena try her very best and this produces outstanding work consistently. She is an excellent role model for others to follow when learning in class. Keep it up!

Attendance

As we all know, good attendance is vital for our children to ensure their learning journey is not disrupted and there is a nationwide push to raise attendance in schools. Congratulations

to Class Aquino for winning our attendance award last week! Our final attendance numbers were as follows:

Our current whole school attendance sits at 95.9%

Nationally whole school attendance is 95.9%

Locally in RBWM, whole school attendance is 96.0%

Our target for whole school attendance is 96%

Our school's attendance coordinator is Mr Mckrell who will be monitoring our school's attendance and any individual attendance cases that arise through the year. If you have any queries, please do contact Mr Mckrell via the office.

Class	Attendance	Rank
Class Aquino	98.52%	1
Class Shelley	98.39%	2
Class Attenborough	97.78%	3
Class Lindgren	96.33%	4
Class Hadid	96.30%	5
Class Lovelace	94.40%	6
Class Owens	93.65%	7
Class Hawking	92.69%	8

Free School Meal Eligibility

Following the Government changes to Free School Meal eligibility from September, your child may be entitled to a Free School Meal if you are in receipt of Universal Credit, regardless of income. If you think you may be entitled and have not already done so, please complete an online application form (see link below) before 1st November. Applications made after this date will not qualify.

<https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/rbwm>




ALL SAINTS C of E
JUNIOR SCHOOL

OPEN EVENING

21st
OCTOBER 2026



Doors open at 5pm, parking onsite and
Headteacher talk at 6pm

**5.00PM -
7.00PM**

Come and see for yourself:
An ambitious curriculum
A nurturing environment
An inclusive ethos

 01628 622596
 office@allsaintsmaidenhead.org
 www.allsaintsmaidenhead.org.uk

Secondary School Open Days

Maidenhead's Secondary Schools OPEN EVENINGS

Dear Parents and Carers,

The staff and governors of the secondary schools in Maidenhead believe that you should be given every opportunity to indicate your preference for secondary education. Our schools are working together to assist you in coming to the most appropriate preference. The following secondary schools in Maidenhead of approach excellence in education in their own particular way. You will be a welcome guest of the Open Evenings which will be organised by each of us individually. Our aim is to do everything possible to provide you with relevant information about our school.

For children seeking school admission in 2027



Headteacher: Mr D Edwards



Cox Green School

'Be Respectful, Be Kind, Be Determined'

The Headteacher, staff and families are delighted to invite you to our Open Evening. We are committed to achieving a culture of success at Cox Green. It is by developing our students to become strong citizens of our school and community at Cox Green School. We have a strong, caring and ambitious curriculum that enables every student access to a quality learning and learning environment, meeting the needs of all.

Our Headteacher and Head of School will make their address at 5.00pm, 5.45pm and 6.30pm and will be pleased to talk to any parents/carers afterwards. Our students will be on hand throughout the evening, to meet families around the school, introduce you to our amazing teaching staff, and show you our extensive facilities and resources.

Should you wish to see our school during a day, you are very welcome.

Open Evening:
• Thursday 17th September 2026, 5.00pm.
• Thursday 18th September 2026, 5.00pm.
• Thursday 19th September 2026, 5.00pm.
By appointment only.

Open Evening:
Thursday 17th September 2026, 5.00pm - 8.00pm.
Headteacher speeches 5.00pm, 5.45pm and 6.30pm.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Thursday 19th September 2026.

Highfield Lane,
Maidenhead, Berkshire
SL6 3AA
01628 629415
enquiries@coxgreen.com
www.coxgreen.com



Headteacher: Mrs C Hardon



Altwood C of E School

'Sincere, Valued, Successful'

The entire Altwood community warmly invites you to our Open Evening. This is a wonderful opportunity to come and meet our exceptionally strong and committed team of staff and our talented students at work.

The Headteacher will give an address at 5.00pm, 5.20pm and again at 7.00pm. There will also be an opportunity for you to meet with the staff and students as well as see the school's excellent resources and facilities.

You are all welcome to come and see the school during a normal morning day. Our Open Evenings are on Thursday 24 September, Thursday 1 October, Wednesday 7 October and Thursday 15 October 5.00pm. Please contact the school office on 01628 622236 to secure a place.

Alternatively, if these dates are not convenient, please contact the Headteacher's PA for a tour of the school.

We look forward to welcoming you to experience and excellent education first-hand in a positive, caring and high achieving secondary school. Our students will explain what makes our school community so unique.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Thursday 9 December 5.00-7.00pm.

Altwood Road,
Maidenhead, Berkshire
SL6 4WJ
01628 622236
altwood@altwoodcofcschool.co.uk
www.altwoodcofcschool.co.uk



Headteacher: Miss J Capon



Newlands Girls' School

'Courage, Commitment, Compassion'

The Headteacher, staff, students and governors warmly invite you to our highly successful Open Evening.

Our happy and ambitious students will take you on a guided tour, where you can experience first-hand all that we have to offer here at Newlands. You will see our facilities and our resources, where resources and students' work will be on display. Presentations from the Headteacher and Head Girls will take place at 5.00pm and 6.00pm in the School Hall, and they will be available for you to talk to afterwards.

Newlands retained an Outstanding Ofsted rating in May 2024 and we are incredibly proud of this. In addition to our superb academic results, we offer a wide range of extra-curricular activities and pastoral support system and develop our students. There are also extensive opportunities for personal development such as competitive sports, student leadership, school trips and The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Many students participate in a wide range of exciting musical and drama events. Everything we do is underpinned by our school values: Courage, Commitment and Compassion.

Parents who are able to attend the Open Evening or are unable to have a day time visit with the Headteacher are warmly welcomed. Please telephone the School Office on 01628 620066.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on Tuesday 19th November with further details to follow.

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Headteacher: Dr A Morrison

BA (Hons), PGCE, MA, PhD



Furze Platt Senior School

'Resilient - Ambitious, Collaborative, Meticulous, Knowledge, Excellence'

The Headteacher, staff and governors warmly invite you to our Open Evening.

We are rightly proud of the excellent education we offer at Furze Platt. Students thrive due to the strong teaching and high quality resources for personal development we provide. Our students are very proud of the school and a comprehensive curriculum combining a strong academic core with strength and breadth in the arts, computing and technology. Alongside the curriculum is an extensive extra-curricular offer of trips, clubs and activities.

We also encourage visits during the school day. Our confident and enthusiastic students will escort visitors on a guided tour of the school to see the exceptionally high standard of work and our A-Level status in action. Please telephone Miss Houghton on 01628 623038 to arrange a visit.

Visiting FPS you will see our many fantastic resources including a superb Library Centre and state-of-the-art facilities for English, Science, Mathematics, Sports and Music, our extensive programme of enrichment opportunities also includes The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. On the Open Evening our Headteacher talks will take place from 6pm to 8.30pm in our air-conditioned Theatre.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening takes place on Thursday 26th November.

Furze Platt Road,
Maidenhead, Berkshire
SL6 7HQ
01628 623038
office@furzeplatt.com
www.furzeplatt.com



Headteacher: Dr P Bhatt, BA (Hons), PGCE, MA, MSc



Desborough College

'Dream and Endeavour'

The school community at Desborough College warmly welcomes you to our Open Evening for prospective parents and students.

Our Headteacher and student ambassadors will take place at 5.00pm and 6.00pm. This is an exciting time for Desborough College. With the arrival of our new Headteacher, with a leadership background in four high performing and Ofsted Outstanding schools, we are raising aspirations, and developing a healthy culture where students will excel academically, and benefit from a range of opportunities to be inspired and motivated throughout.

Our vision focuses on excellence. Excellent academic achievement, excellent life models, and excellent enrichment. All achieved with a smile.

After hearing from our Headteacher and students, we will be guided by our student ambassadors to a tour of the school, where you will meet our passionate staff, explore our facilities, and take part in fun and interactive activities in our Auditorium.

We will be offering Open Evenings for parents who wish to see the school during the normal working day. From September 2026, there will be an online form on our website for you to register for a visit.

We look forward to meeting you and sharing what makes Desborough College such a special place to learn and grow.

Our Sixth Form Open Evening date is Thursday 18th November.

Shoepengangers Road,
Maidenhead, Berkshire
SL6 2DB
01628 634505
info@desborough.org.uk
www.desborough.org.uk

Change of Lunch Menu - 1st October 2026



Menu

Mains

Chicken Nugget Sub
Crunchy Topped Mac n Cheese

Sides

Skinny Fries
BBQ Beans

Dessert

Yummy Chocolate Pizza





Golden Tickets. Tasty Lunch. Lucky Winners.

Come along for lunch, enjoy a delicious meal and be in with a chance of finding a Golden Ticket and winning a prize!



Full Club List

ALL SAINTS JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB INFORMATION – AUTUMN TERM 2026									
CLUB	DAY	TIME	YEAR	DATES	CLUB LEADER	COST	VENUE	DURATION	COLLECT FROM
Breakfast Club	Mon-Fri	7.45 – 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	Mon-Fri	All Saints Junior School	£4.00 long session £3.50 short session	Hall	45 mins	N/A
Afterschool Club	Mon-Fri	3.30 – 6.00 pm	Years 3 - 6	Mon-Fri	uKids	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2.5 hrs	Small green side gate
Lunchtime Touch Rugby A1	Mon	12:20 – 1.00pm	Years 3 - 6	7 th Sept – 19 th Oct 2026	School run/ Premier Education Book on Tucasi	£21.00 for 7 wks	Field	40 mins	N/A
Lunchtime Cheerleading A2	Mon	12:20 – 1.00pm	Years 3 - 6	9 th Nov – 14 th Dec 2026 Excludes 2nd Nov INSET	School run/ Premier Education Book on Tucasi	£18.00 for 6 wks	Small Hall	40 mins	N/A
Dodgeball A1	Mon	3.30 - 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	7 th Sept – 19 th Oct 2026	School run/ Premier Education	£35.00 for 7 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Dodgeball A2	Mon	3.30 - 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	9 th Nov – 14 th Dec 2026 Excludes 2nd Nov INSET	School run/ Premier Education	£30.00 for 6 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Science Club	Mon	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	14 th Sept – 19 th Oct 2026	Fizz Pop Science	£48.00 for 6 wks	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Fencing Club	Tues	7.45 - 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	15 th Sept – 8 th Dec 2026	Little Musketeers	£88.00 for 12 wks	Small Hall	45 mins	N/A
Outdoor Games A1	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	8 th Sept – 13 th Oct 2026 Excludes 20th Oct	School run/ Mr Mckrell	£24.00 for 6 wks	Field	1 hour	Reception
Indoor Games A2	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	3 rd Nov – 8 th Dec 2026	School run/ Mr Mckrell	£24.00 for 6 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Netball	Tues	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 4 - 6	8 th Sept – 8 th Dec 2026 Excludes 20th Oct	School run/ Mrs Thompson	£48.00 for 12 wks	Muga	1 hour	Reception
Running Club	Wed	8.00 - 8.30 am	Years 3 - 6	16 th Sept – 9 th Dec 2026	Running4everyone	£49.50 for 11 wks	Field	30 mins	N/A
Lunchtime Street Dance A1	Wed	12:20 – 1:00pm	Years 3 - 6	9 th Sept – 21 st Oct 2026	Dance Inspired	£35 for 6 wks	Small Hall	40 mins	N/A
Boys' lunchtime Football	Wed	12:15 – 1:15pm	Invited Years 3-6	16 th Sept - 9 th Dec Excludes 21st Oct	School run/ Maidenhead United Book on Tucasi	£25 for 10 wks	Field	30 mins	N/A
Football	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	9 th Sept – 9 th Dec 2026	Maidenhead United - Magpies	£117 for 13 wks	Field	1 hour	Reception
Gymnastics	Wed	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	9 th Sept – 9 th Dec 2026	uSports	£94.25 for 13 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
iRock	Thurs	1.00 – 3.00 pm	Years 3 - 6	Sept – Dec 2026	iRock	Contact supplier	Small Hall	2 hours	N/A
Sewing	Thurs	3.30 – 4.40 pm	Years 3 - 6	10 th Sept – 3 rd Dec 2026	Dhaaga Creative Sewing Contact supplier	£120.00 for 12 wks	Classroom	1 hour	Reception
Badminton A1	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 5/6	10 th Sept – 15 th Oct 2026 Excludes 22nd Oct	School run/ Mrs Thompson	£24.00 for 6 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Badminton A2	Thurs	3:30 – 4:30 pm	Year 4-6	5 th Nov – 10 th Dec 2026	School run/ Mrs Thompson	£24.00 for 6 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
Growing Club	Thurs	3.30 – 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	Sept – Dec 2026	School run/ Ms Nowaczyk	£5 per term	Lindgren	1 hour	Reception
Girls' lunchtime Football	Fri	12:15 – 1:15pm	Invited Years 3-6	18 th Sept - 9 th Dec Excludes 23rd Oct INSET	School run/ Maidenhead United Book on Tucasi	£25 for 10 wks	Field	30 mins	N/A
Kick Boxing	Fri	3.30 – 4.30pm	Years 3 - 6	18 th Sept – 11 th Dec 2026 Excludes 23rd Oct INSET	Samurai Kickboxing	£135.00 for 12 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
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