

Parent/Carer Newsletter

7th October 2026



“Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere.”

Albert Einstein

Key dates for Parent/Carers

Wednesday 7th October	Preloved 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

As promised from last week's newsletter, I have the results from our annual Inter-House Netball competition!! After a week of each year group competing in their houses and with all scores and goals added up, we have our winners!

In year 3 the winners were: Dragon

In Year 4 the winners were: Phoenix

In Year 5 the winners were: Griffin

In Year 6 the winners were: Dragon and Griffin!

After adding up all the scores from each year group, **the overall winners this year are: DRAGON!!!!** Huge congratualtions to Dragon and all the children for participating so well, competing against each other so well and playing in the right spirit!





Over the last two weeks our school has taken part in the fairtrade campaign, where each class has been collecting as many fairtrade stickers as they can. The class with the most stickers will receive a fairtrade hot chocolate treat, but the campaign has been to raise awareness and understanding of what fairtrade means and the impact of buying fairtrade products. This was then rounded off with our Eco Team pupils alongside Miss Nowaczyk attending a church service on Sunday to highlight the community's efforts to become more sustainable and eco-friendly. The children spoke passionately and with great knowledge! Well done to everyone involved!



And finally, today we will have our first 'Pre-loved Uniform Sale' after school. You may have seen the stalls just outside the Year 3 classrooms this morning. We have plenty of jumpers, skirts, PE tops at a very good price! Please do come along to see what we have and hopefully you'll find what you need! We can take cash or card paryments.

Please do read on to find out about other exciting PTA events coming up this term!

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)

Xmas4Schools

This is a friendly reminder that the deadline for returning your child's Xmas4Schools artwork and completed order form is Wednesday 14th October. To ensure all orders can be processed and sent to the company on time, please make sure your child's artwork and form

are returned by this date. Thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful designs! 🎄✨

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!



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 - Lindgren

Class Lindgren have settled brilliantly into Year 4 and are becoming increasingly confident in taking on new roles and responsibilities within the classroom and around school.

English

In English, we have been learning how to write an effective *Tale of Fear*. The children have explored our Suspense Toolkit, learning how carefully chosen words, short sentences, sounds and descriptions can build tension and keep a reader wondering what will happen next. They have collected lots of interesting vocabulary in their Save-It-Bags, ready to use in their own writing. Next week, we will begin writing our Innovations, changing elements of our model story and adding our own imaginative details.

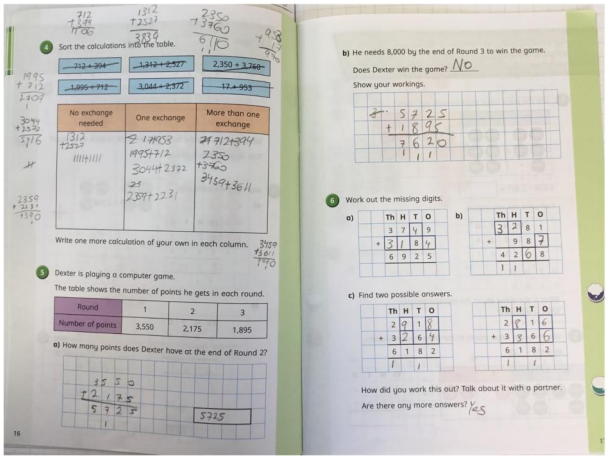
We also had a special treat last Monday when we joined a virtual author event with Olaf Falafel, who writes funny books for children. The children thoroughly enjoyed meeting him

and hearing about his work. Many are now keen to read his books and some have even been inspired to have a go at creating their own comic books!



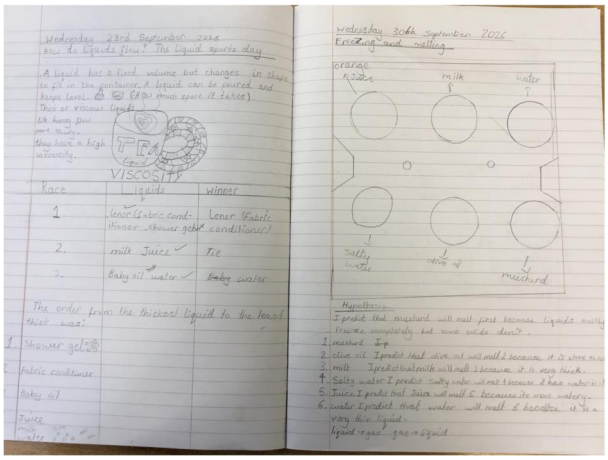
Maths

In Maths, after completing our Place Value unit, we have moved on to Addition and Subtraction. We have revised column addition and subtraction with exchanges and are now applying these skills to problem-solving and reasoning tasks.



Science

Science is already becoming one of Class Lindgren's favourite subjects, thanks to the many experiments and fascinating facts that connect our learning to everyday life. Recently, we have been exploring States of Matter, using practical investigations to help us understand physical changes and the processes involved when materials change from one state to another.



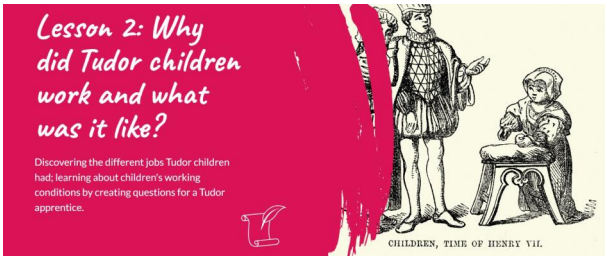
PE

The beautiful weather has allowed us to make the most of our outdoor lessons, where we have been developing our netball skills and learning to work effectively as a team. All this practice led to the very exciting Interhouse Netball Tournament, where the children had a fantastic opportunity to put their skills into action and represent their houses with enthusiasm.

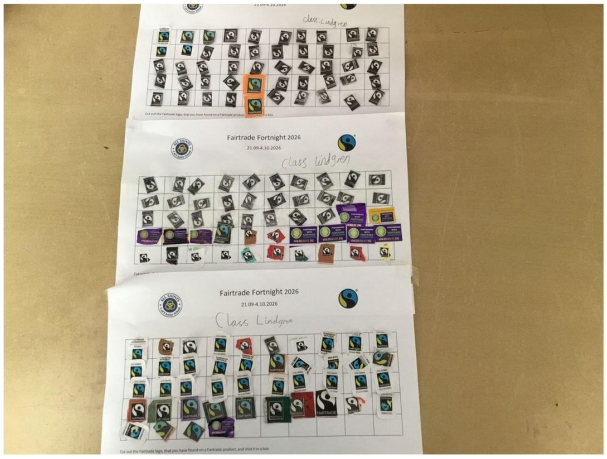


History

In History, we have been learning about what life was like for children in the past, with a particular focus on the Victorian era. On Monday 19th October, we will bring our learning to life with our Victorian Day! Dressed as Ragged School children, we will spend the day experiencing Victorian-style lessons and playing traditional games.



We are also delighted to announce that Class Lindgren won the Fairtrade Hot Chocolate Party, after collecting an impressive 144 Fairtrade logos! A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our success. Please keep showing compassion and making a difference by choosing and supporting Fairtrade whenever you can.


Fairtrade Fortnight 2026
21.09-4.10.2026
Class Lindgren
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STAR OF THE WEEK	
3.1 - Shelley	**Leo** has really impressed us with his determination and resolve to improve his fluency and comprehension in reading. He is taking longer to read books, ensuring he fully understands the story and has had great success with his quizzes as a result. He is a great role model for others with his fantastic learning behaviours. Well done!
3.2 - Lovelace	**Sianna** 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, Sianna!
4.1 - Owens	**Isabella** has really impressed us with her concentration and effort in all of our lessons this week, particularly in her Talk4Writing. She has listened carefully to advice and applied her own ideas to write accurate and creative sentences, with beautiful handwriting. Well done!
4.2 - Lindgren	**N** impressed everyone during the Interhouse Netball Tournament with her fantastic enthusiasm and excellent ball receiving skills. She played with great energy and determination, worked well as part of her team and showed a positive attitude throughout the tournament.
5.1 - Aquino	**A** has demonstrated an excellent attitude to work and an increased confidence in the classroom. We have been really impressed with how well she is working in class; speaking up; supporting others and always trying her best! She is beginning to show us her best, sunny self. Keep it up!
5.2 - Attenborough	**Oliver** has impressed with his work during our Writing lessons this week! In every lesson, he shares brilliant ideas that we always enjoy listening to and are so impressive! His examples are always descriptive and atmospheric and really help the reader see clearly his ideas and his imagination. He also proved himself more resilient and determined in his writing, writing for longer periods each lesson and taking on feedback positively. He should be very proud of his efforts – keep it up!
6.1 - Hawking	**Anastasia** has impressed us with her hard-working attitude. She is a brilliant role model to others, always doing the right thing and applies her best self into everything she does! She has particularly impressed us with her writing this week, using the toolkit and underlying pattern to create an interesting suspense story! Well done and keep it up!
6.2 - Hadid	**Max** has really impressed us this week with his superb writing. He has clearly understood the audience and purpose of the writing and has created a fantastic adventure-suspense story. Well done!

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 Attenborough for winning our attendance award last week! Our final attendance numbers were as follows:

Our current whole school attendance sits at 96.1%

Nationally whole school attendance is 95.9%

Locally in RBWM, whole school attendance is 96.3%

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 Attenborough	99.26%	1
Class Owens	98.00%	2
Class Shelley	97.60%	3
Class Lovelace	97.60%	3
Class Hadid	97.41%	5
Class Aquino	97.35%	6
Class Lindgren	93.67%	7
Class Hawking	93.82%	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



Desborough College - consultation on the school becoming a co-educational school

Desborough College is consulting parents, staff and governors in Maidenhead on a proposal that the school, which is currently a boys school, should admit girls into Year 7 from September 2028. You can find out more details about the consultation on the Desborough College website at https://www.desborough.org.uk/coeducational-consultation.html. This includes details on how you can make your views known. The consultation runs from 1st October 2026 to Friday 13th November 2026.

Secondary School Open Days



ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH, WOODLEY



PART-TIME CHILDREN AND FAMILY WORKER

(20 hours/week)

Up to £16,000 per annum.

Closing date:

Monday 26 October 2026

St John's is growing — and we recognise that strong ministry for children and families is essential to building a thriving and sustainable church for the future. Over the past two years we have seen encouraging growth through Bubble Church, our Sunday children's groups, Home-Ed Hub and our developing links with local schools.

We're now looking for a creative, relational and faith-filled Children and Family Worker to build on this established ministry, strengthen what is already working and help shape its future. You'll help children (0-11 Years) encounter Jesus, belong deeply, grow as disciples and discover their gifts for leadership and service, while helping families find a lasting place within the life of St John's.

This is an exciting opportunity to join a church where there is already a strong foundation to build on, but where there is also plenty of scope to bring fresh ideas and help us develop a sustainable vision for children and families.

If you're passionate about seeing children flourish, building trusted relationships with families and helping to shape a vibrant, intergenerational church, we'd love to hear from you.

What we offer:

- A welcoming and supportive church family.
- Established and growing children's and family ministries, including Bubble Church and Fledglings.
- A supportive and enthusiastic ministry team, including a Youth Minister.
- Existing relationships with schools and the community.
- The opportunity to help shape the future of a growing ministry, building on a strong foundation.

An Information Pack with details about our Church, Job Description, Person Specification and details of how to apply can be downloaded from our vacancies page via the link or QR code below:

hiips://www.stjohnswoodley.com/vacancies

Or, contact Paul via **treasurer@stjohn-woodley.com** for the information pack.

Preferred start: January 2027 (or by agreement)

"All Ages. Encountering Jesus. In New and Vibrant Ways."

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	7th Sept – 19th 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	9th Nov – 14th 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	7th Sept – 19th 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	9th Nov – 14th 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	14th Sept – 19th 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	15th Sept – 8th 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	8th Sept – 13th 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	3rd Nov – 8th 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	8th Sept – 8th 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	16th Sept – 9th 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	9th Sept – 21st 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	16th Sept - 9th 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	9th Sept – 9th Dec 2026	Maidenhead United - Magpies	£117 for 13 wks	Field	1 hour	Reception
Gymnastics	Wed	3.30 - 4.30 pm	Years 3 - 6	9th Sept – 9th 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	10th Sept – 3rd 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	10th Sept – 15th 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	5th Nov – 10th 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	18th Sept - 9th 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	18th Sept – 11th Dec 2026 **Excludes 23rd Oct INSET**	Samurai Kickboxing	£135.00 for 12 wks	Hall	1 hour	Reception
					Open an account in Class Manger				

Reading FC

Our first Schools & Grassroots fixture of 2026/27!

We're delighted to invite All Saints CE Junior School to Reading Football Club's first Schools & Grassroots fixture of the 2026/27 season.

We love welcoming local schools and grassroots clubs to the Select Car Leasing Stadium, and your support helps create a fantastic atmosphere for the team.

This time, we're also giving you the chance to win some fantastic Reading FC experiences by getting as many of your players, parents, friends and family involved as possible!

Reading vs Bromley

Saturday 21st November – 12.30pm kick-off

Select Car Leasing Stadium

40% OFF YOUR TICKETS

As a participating School, you have your own unique discount code, giving you 40% off tickets in the selected areas.

Your unique code: #AllSaintsJunior

To redeem your discount, visit tickets.readingfc.co.uk, log in, select your tickets and enter your unique code in the basket. Your 40% discount will then be applied.

🏆 **WIN A READING FC MATCHDAY EXPERIENCE**

We want to encourage as many of our local schools and clubs as possible to get involved.

Every school or club that sells 25 or more tickets using their unique code will be entered into a prize draw to win a Reading FC matchday experience.

And that's not all...

⭐ **SCHOOL/CLUB OF THE MATCH**

The school or club that sells the most tickets will be named our School/Club of the Match and could receive a special matchday experience including:

- Your school/club name shown on the big screen
- PA announcement during the game

- Group photo
- Tickets for coaches/teachers
- Player signatures
- Invitation onto the pitch at half-time

So, the more tickets you sell, the more chance you have of giving your School a memorable Reading FC experience!

How many tickets can we purchase?

There is no limit to the number of tickets you can purchase using your unique voucher code.

Important: The offer is available on tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand and Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand.

Voucher codes are valid until midnight on Friday 20th November.

We'd really appreciate it if you could share this offer with your players, parents, pupils, friends, family and staff and encourage them to come along and support the Royals.

If you have any questions about the offer, please email sales@readingfc.co.uk or call 0118 968 1313.

To make things as easy as possible, I've also included a short version below that you can simply copy and share with your players, parents, pupils, friends and family.

⚽ **Reading FC Schools & Grassroots Offer** ⚽

All Saints CE Junior School has been invited to Reading FC's Schools & Grassroots fixture against Bromley on Saturday 21st November!

🎟️ **Get 40% OFF tickets**

Use code **#AllSaintsJunior** when booking. The code is available on tickets in the Eamonn Dolan Stand and Y19/Y20 of the Sir John Madejski Stand. Codes are valid until midnight on Friday 20th November.

To redeem your discount, visit tickets.readingfc.co.uk, log in, select your tickets and enter your unique code in the basket. Your 40% discount will then be applied.

🏆 If we sell 25+ tickets, we'll be entered into a draw to win a Reading FC matchday experience!

⭐ We could also be named **School/Club of the Match** if we sell the most tickets!

Let's get as many of us there as possible! 💙💙

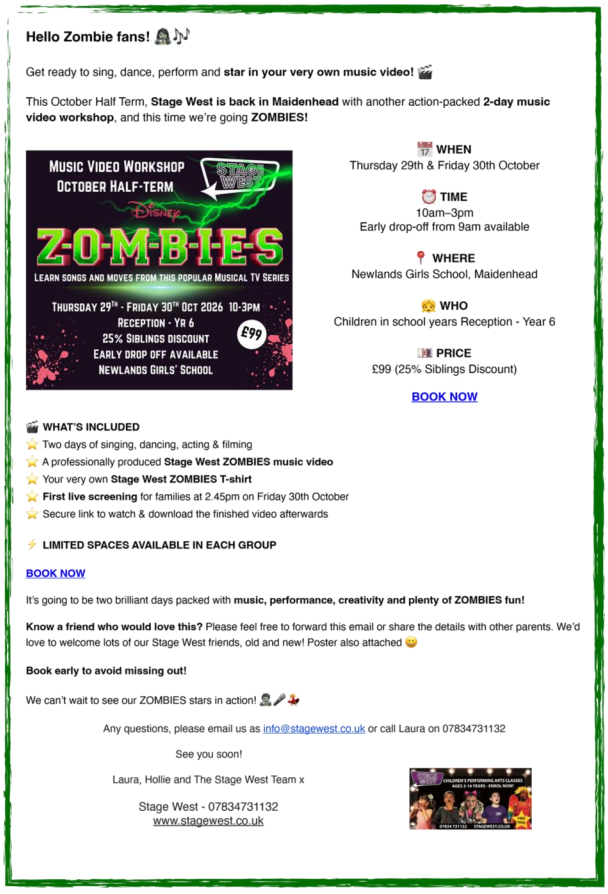
We look forward to seeing All Saints CE Junior School at the Select Car Leasing Stadium!

Come on URRRZZ!!

Yours sincerely,

Reading Football Club Ticket Office

Half Term Activities



Hello Zombie fans! 🧟‍♀️🎶

Get ready to sing, dance, perform and **star in your very own music video!** 🎬

This October Half Term, **Stage West is back in Maidenhead** with another action-packed **2-day music video workshop**, and this time we're going **ZOMBIES!**

📅 **WHEN**
Thursday 29th & Friday 30th October

⏰ **TIME**
10am–3pm
Early drop-off from 9am available

📍 **WHERE**
Newlands Girls School, Maidenhead

👧 **WHO**
Children in school years Reception - Year 6

🏷️ **PRICE**
£99 (25% Siblings Discount)

BOOK NOW

🎬 **WHAT'S INCLUDED**
- ⭐ Two days of singing, dancing, acting & filming
- ⭐ A professionally produced **Stage West ZOMBIES music video**
- ⭐ Your very own **Stage West ZOMBIES T-shirt**
- ⭐ **First live screening** for families at 2.45pm on Friday 30th October
- ⭐ Secure link to watch & download the finished video afterwards

⚡ **LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE IN EACH GROUP**

BOOK NOW

It's going to be two brilliant days packed with **music, performance, creativity and plenty of ZOMBIES fun!**

Know a friend who would love this? Please feel free to forward this email or share the details with other parents. We'd love to welcome lots of our Stage West friends, old and new! Poster also attached 😊

Book early to avoid missing out!

We can't wait to see our ZOMBIES stars in action! 🧟‍♀️🎤🕺

Any questions, please email us as info@stagewest.co.uk or call Laura on 07834731132

See you soon!

Laura, Hollie and The Stage West Team x

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