

Newsletter 06 13/10/2017

Dear Parents,

This week we have been have been celebrating Black History in school, recognising the importance of black culture and thinking about the achievements of black people nationally and internationally. The theme has been 'Firsts', remembering not just the most famous black people to have achieved great things, such as Rosa Parks and Barack Obama, but valuing the enormous contributions of other citizens who were the 'firsts' in their field, some famous and some less so. The event has been planned by Miss Gilby, who leads on Personal, Health and Social Education (PSHE) and has helped the children think about the importance of equality for all. Look out for the report of what each class has been learning later in the newsletter and be sure to ask your children what they have found out - I am sure you will find out something new!

It was lovely to see such a high turnout at the 'Open Classrooms' on Wednesday and I hope you all enjoyed looking through your child's books and seeing the wonderful displays in the classrooms and around the school. It really is amazing to see just how much learning has been covered in not even a whole half term and I know the children will all welcome a good half term break! For the Reception Parents it was their first 'Open Classroom' and I know how excited the children were to share their Learning Patches and classrooms with you. Although 'Open Classrooms' are not an opportunity to have a detailed chat about your child individually, we are very much looking forward to meeting parents more formally at the Consultation Meetings next half term to discuss their progress in more detail.

Tuesday saw our Year 3 classes travel to the Chiltern Open Air Museum in Oxfordshire as part of their Stone Age topic. Luckily the weather remained dry and they had the chance to explore what Stone Age settlements looked like, and experience what life was like at this time through a range of interactive, practical activities. The children had an absolutely fantastic time and have been excitedly sharing their news and learning from the trip. Miss Gilby and Miss Hylands were so proud of how well the children behaved and represented us all. We must also say a huge thank you to the parents who accompanied the trip, we couldn't do it without their support and hope they all learned something new too!



Year 4 entertained their parents with their year group assembly on Thursday morning, celebrating their residential trip to Sayers Croft at the end of September. It was clear to see how much fun they all had as we heard all about their exploits, including the 'Tarzan swing' on the ropes course, the blindfold trail and building shelters that were strong, water proof and even bear proof! They sang campfire songs and showed us all how their confidence and independence has grown by having just a few days away. Thank you to the Year 4 team for planning the assembly.

Next week is our final week of the half term and we are busy preparing for our Harvest celebrations. Our Phase 1 Performances will be at 9.00 am for our Year 1 parents to watch and 2.30pm for the Reception parents, both performances will be identical. Space is limited so please only attend one performance. Phase 3 will be performing their celebration at 9.00am on Friday morning. We are asking parents to donate luxury food items from Monday of next week (16th October) which will be displayed in the atrium and then passed to our local branch of Age Concern to be made into Christmas hampers for elderly people living locally. In the past we have received some lovely letters from the recipients of the hampers so we know just how well appreciated they are.

Following the success of previous years, Phase 3 will be running a Harvest Fair for the whole school from 3.00 to 3.45pm in the playground, selling a range of seasonal produce and running some simple games for all the children to enjoy. Please support them by coming along and joining in the fun. All the proceeds from the fair will be donated to our local Foodbanks to support local families in need. We look forward to seeing you there.

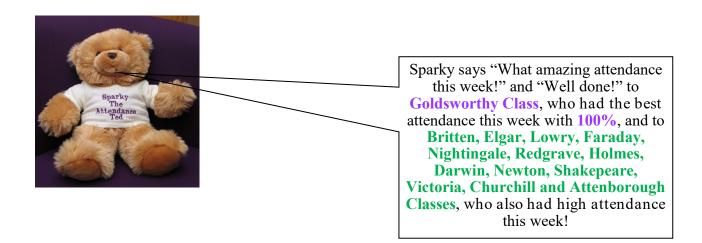
Just a reminder that the school photographer is in school on Tuesday and Wednesday next week to take individual photographs and family groups so these will be available ready to buy before Christmas.

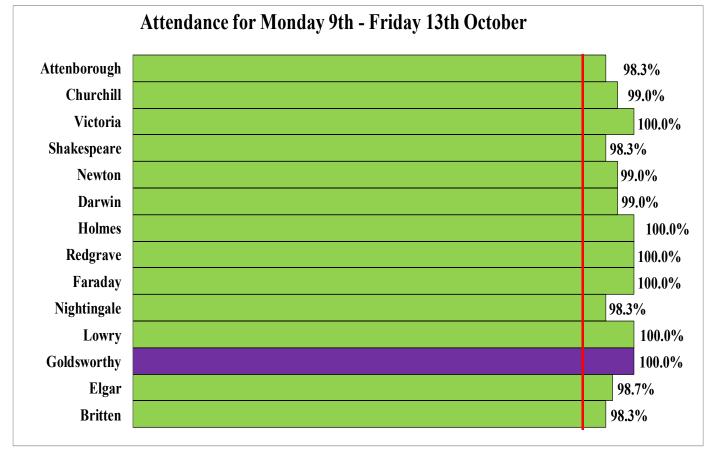
Have a wonderful weekend

Kind regards,

Kate Gee.

Attendance this week





Craze of the Week.....



Harvest Donations for Age Concern

As in previous years we are asking for donations of luxury foodstuffs such as biscuits (small packs), chocolates (such as After Dinner Mints), fudge, tea (small packets), tinned salmon, Christmas-themed items, small Christmas puds, mince pies, tinned meat, pickles, chutney, Christmas cake, small jars of marmalade, jam and honey, and savoury crackers. We will pass all of the foodstuffs on to Age Concern, who use them to make Christmas Hampers for elderly residents within Epsom and Ewell. They are always extremely grateful for any contributions, so please bring them into school from Monday 16th October, ensuring that all goods will still be well within their 'use by' date at Christmas.

It would also be fantastic if each child could write a gift tag, or perhaps a Christmas card, saying 'Happy Christmas from xxx (first name only)' and the school name, as Age Concern would like it to be a personal gift. We understand if parents have concerns about providing a name, so don't worry if that's not possible.

Thank you so much – every gift will make a difference to an older person in the β borough.

Concern Epsom Ewell

Christmas Card Competition

With Christmas on its way, we have been invited to enter a Christmas Card Competition by Chris Grayling, the member of Parliament for Epsom & Ewell. The winning design will be used on his official Christmas Card and sent out to community groups, public service organisations, local charities and businesses as well as to the Prime Minister.

It would be great to see lots of your imaginative designs and I will be awarding prizes in school for the most creative and original ideas. One lucky entry will be sent to Chris Grayling to be judged in the competition.

Please complete your design on A4 paper in felt tip pen. For reproduction purposes please avoid using glitter or sticking things onto your design.

All designs must be returned to me by **<u>Friday 20th October</u>**.

Good luck and I look forward to seeing all of your lovely designs!

Miss Egan

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Knitting for the 'Knitivity'

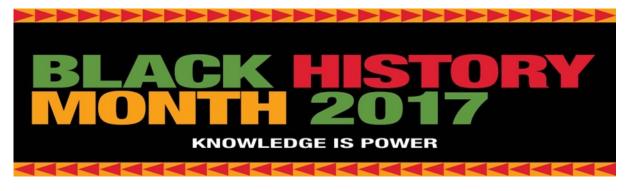
We have been asked by ChristChurch in Epsom to support their Christmas 'Knitivity' project by contributing knitted or crochet squares that they will combine to make into a Christmas tree. Afterwards, the squares from the tree will be used to make blankets for charity, so nothing will be wasted. The Reverend Rosemary Donovan is a great supporter of our school as a member of our Governing Body, and is often in visiting and holding assemblies. Christchurch also welcome groups of our children on visits and host our wonderful Christmas Carol Concert for Phase 3.

Over the half term break why not have a knitting or crochet afternoon with the children, or get out the knitting needles yourself? If you have any friends or relatives that are keen knitters why not ask them too?

We will collect in the knitted squares during November and are hoping we can really help make the event a big success.



The Stitch Mouse Full details available on website www.christchurchepsom.org.uk



Throughout October at Southfield Park, we have had several whole school themed assemblies celebrating Black History Month and today we have had a special day dedicated to Black History Month. We started the day off with an assembly where all the children learnt about what Black History Month is and why it is celebrated. It was wonderful to see the children thinking so deeply about equality!

This year our theme was 'Firsts'. Many people know that **Barack Obama** is the first black U.S. President but over the course of history, many African-Americans have achieved major firsts, with little recognition. Each year group have been researching, learning and honouring the achievements of black men and women throughout history who achieved major firsts.

Here are some examples:



Year 2 learnt about Charles Drew who was the inventor of the blood bank. They then created their own peace wreaths.

Year 3 have been learning about George Crum who invented crisps. Year 3 then designed their own packet of crisps that had a flavour linked to Black History Month. E.g. 'Fairness Flavour'. They then considered what their crisps would be made from. E.g. 2 table spoons of equal rights.





Year 4 learnt about Nat King Cole, the first black male television host. They used laptops to research and then used word to present their findings. Year 5 have been learning about the first black female poet laureate, Rita Dove. Year 5 looked at examples of her poetry and they then wrote their own pieces of inspired poetry.



"I can't believe that people in the past had to use different water fountains and toilets" – Amelia Belton "I never knew that George Crum was the inventor of crisps" – Caipher St Martin



Nasal Flu Vaccine

Children in Reception and Years 1-4 should be eligible for the nasal flu vaccine this year, and the team should be in school to give it on Monday December 11th.

Information will be coming out to parents mid November.

Needed in the Classrooms

Thinking ahead to DT Day, please can you bring in the insides of toilet rolls and kitchen rolls.

Any items being donated to school can be left in the vestibule by the School Office.



Is your child starting Secondary School in September 2018?

You need to apply for their place by 31st October 2017, but it is recommended that you don't leave it until the last minute in case of problems with the internet.

Details of how to do so can be found on the Surrey County Council website at:

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/ school-admissions/secondary-applications/secondary-schooladmissions,

Or phone 0300 200 1015 if you want to complete a paper application.

ONE WEEK remaining to make a change..... Let us know by FRIDAY 20th October, am



SCHOOL DINNER NEWS

We have decided that we need to cut down on the amount of paper we are using in school therefore we have decided to do the school dinner preferences slightly different moving forward.

Parents will have a two-week window to notify the office of any changes to your child's meal pattern **PRIOR** to the half term break. Preference slips will no longer go home with your children and it will be assumed that your child will remain on their current meal pattern **UNLESS** you come to the office to complete a meal pattern change request form.

Meal patterns CAN NOT be changed once the children return to school after half term and they will remain on the meal pattern until the following half term.

Meal patterns for next term can only be changed using the correct form between Monday 9th October and Friday 20th October.

Changes to menu: the Wednesday roast will now be pork one week, followed by two weeks of turkey, as the catering staff are not happy with the gammon option. Also, on Mondays the Year 5 & 6 children now have an option of a jacket potato with fillings. This is on a first come, first served basis, and the classes rotate who comes in first so everyone will have a chance to choose this option.

Monday 16th	Harvest Gift donations for Age Concern all week			
Tuesday 17th	Individual & Sibling photographs—tidy hair and correct uniform			
Wednesday 18th	Individual & Sibling photographs—tidy hair and correct uniform			
Thursday 19th	Phase 1 Harvest Assembly, Year 1 parents to watch, 9am			
	Phase 1 Harvest Assembly, Reception parents to watch, 2.30pm			
	Harvest Fair, 3pm-3.45pm			
Friday 20th	Phase 2 Harvest Assembly, Year 2 & 3 parents to watch, 9am			
	End of half term, school finishes usual time 3.10pm/3.20pm			

Reminders for Next Week

A STEP BACK IN TIME ...

On Tuesday 10th October, Year 3 found themselves in prehistoric Britain – we had travelled back 12,000 years!



We had a fantastic day learning about what life was like in the Stone Age and the Iron Age. When we were in the Stone Age, we learnt to construct shelters, create fire using flint, make jewellery and make pigment using charcoal and fat. When we later arrived in the Iron Age, we prepared and cooked flatbreads, ground flour, made clay pots and whisked cream into butter and buttermilk.

Throughout the day, there was certainly much debate between the children (and the adults!) about which era they would most like to have lived in.

This trip has really enriched the children's learning experience, extended their knowledge and will have such a positive impact on our learning back in the classroom.

We were so proud of all of the children as they were *exceptional* ambassadors for Southfield Park. This was commented on by a number of members of staff at Chiltern Open Air Museum who were highly impressed with the children's behaviour, good manners, participation and enthusiasm.

We would also like to say a HUGE thank you to all of the parents who gave up their time to support us on our trip. Thank you to: Miss Brotherton, Mrs Florence, Mrs Hall, Mrs Myhill, Mrs Price and Mrs Winsor - we greatly appreciated your help.





Finally, here are some quotes from the children about the day:

"We learnt all about the Stone Age and the Iron Age. In the Stone Age, they made fire using flint. In the Iron Age, they never had orange carrots they were purple and white!" – Ruby-May Hinton-Jones (Redgrave)

"My favourite part was making the fire" - Lexi-Mai Castanheiro (Holmes)

"We visited a man in his Iron Age house and I learnt that they

made their pots out of clay using their hands. Then we made pots and it was really fun!" — Rami Katmawi-Sabbagh (Redgrave)



"When we made shelters in the Mesolithic period, we used leather and sticks to secure them" - Lokesh Dasan (Holmes)



The Horton Chapel Project Information Evening

All residents living on the former Hospital Cluster (Livingstone Park, Clarendon Park, Manor Park, Noble Park and Parkview) are invited to an Information Evening on Wednesday 8th November at Southfield Park Primary School, to find out more about The Horton Chapel Project, which is working to renovate and convert this important building into an arts and heritage centre for the benefit of the community.

There will be an opportunity to view plans and a timeline as well as for you to offer support to this community-led project. Trustees of the charity will be on hand to answer your questions. You can drop in any time between 6.30pm and 9.30pm but a short presentation will be given at 7.30pm and repeated at 8.30pm. Numbers are restricted due to the size of the school hall so please let us know if you would like to come. The school is fully-accessible with disabled parking spaces but do get in touch if you need any other support in order to attend. We hope to see you on 8th November.

Book a place online <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-horton-chapel-project-information-evening-tickets-38650508712</u> or reply to 10 Cavendish Walk, Epsom KT19 8AP

The Horton Chapel Project Information Evening

www.eventbrite.co.uk

Horton Chapel Arts & Heritage Society; Registered charity no. 1167510; hortonchapelproject.org



Friends of Southfield Park Primary School

(Registered Charity No. 1110233)

Follow us on Facebook: Friends of Southfield Park Primary Follow us on Twitter: <u>@FoSPPEpsom</u> Email us: <u>friends@southfield-park.surrey.sch.uk</u> or drop a note in the Friends' Postbox by the school office.

News Christmas Cards



We've enjoyed looking at the designs coming in these week. Do please get all those last minute orders in to school asap so we can send them off and get them back in time for Christmas. All cheques should be made payable to "Friends of Southfield Park" please.

Halloween Discos



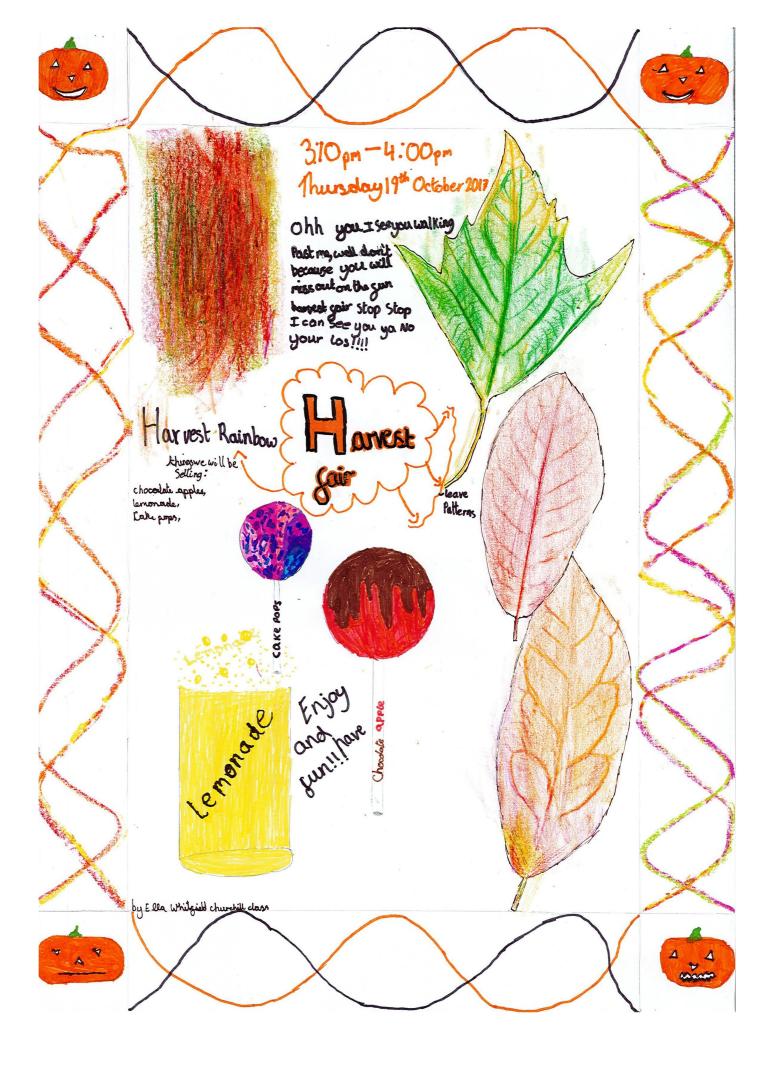
Places are filling up fast. Please find booking forms for the Infant and Junior discos attached. Also so please let us know if you have a DBS check with the school and can help on the night.

Bags to School

These will be coming home next Friday for you to pop in any unwanted clothing, jewellery, soft toys, etc. and you can return them after half term. For full details of what you can put in the bag, please see <u>http://uk.bag2school.com</u>.

Dates for Your Diary

Fri, 20th October	Bags 4 Schools - collection bags come home with children.
Mon, 30th October	Bags 4 Schools - bags to be collected from school.
Fri, 3rd November	Hallowe'en Discos - Infants 5.00 – 6.30 p.m., Juniors 6.45—8.15 p.m.
Fri, 10th November	Library Opening/Book Day - children can come to school in "book character" mufti for a £1 donation.
Fri, 17th November	Cushion Club (Infants) - 4.45 - 6.30 p.m.
W/C 27th November	Scholastic Books - details to be confirmed.
Sat, 2nd December	Christmas Fair - 12.30 - 3.00 p.m.
Mon, 18th December	Pantomime - "Jack and the Beanstalk"- treat for children during the school day.





Year 1 & 2 Hallowe'en Disco

The Friends of Southfield Park would like to invite you to join them at their Hallowe'en Disco!

Friday 3rd November 2017 Southfield Park School Hall 5.00 pm - 6.30 pm £3.50 per child (Fancy Dress Optional)

Note to Parents:

The Hall will be quite dark and the music is loud - please consider this when booking a ticket for your child.

Cost will include a drink and a Hallowe'en goodie bag. (We also suggest children bring their drink bottles, as the queues for the water fountain get quite long.)

No tickets will be issued for the event, instead the names will be put on a list and you will be required to sign them in and out. No child will be allowed to leave without an adult.

If your child would like to attend, please return the slip below with the exact money in an envelope marked "Year 1 & 2 Hallowe'en Disco" and put in the black post box in reception.

If your child has any medical conditions or dietary requirements that we should be aware of please include on the slip below and ensure that you send any medication (i.e. inhalers) in a named bag with your child on the evening.

Childs Name: Class:

Contact Phone No:

Please state any medical conditions or dietary requirements (these will remain confidential):

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We need chaperones in order to run this event, if you hold a current DBS check with Southfield Park School and are able to help, please write your details below. Many thanks.

Name:

Sorry we are unable to accommodate Reception or pre-school children to stay with siblings.



Junior Hallowe'en Disco

The Friends of Southfield Park would like to invite you to join them at their Hallowe'en Disco!

Friday 3rd November 2017

Southfield Park School Hall 6.45 pm - 8.15 pm £3.50 per child (Fancy Dress Optional)

Note to Parents:

Cost will include a drink and a Hallowe'en goodie bag. (We also suggest children bring their drink bottles, as the queues for the water fountain get quite long.)

No tickets will be issued for the event, instead the names will be put on a list and you will be required to sign them in and out. No child will be allowed to leave without an adult.

If your child would like to attend, **please return the slip below with the exact money in an envelope** marked "Junior Hallowe'en Disco" and put in the black post box in reception.

If your child has any medical conditions or dietary requirements that we should be aware of please include on the slip below and ensure that you send any medication (i.e. inhalers) in a named bag with your child on the evening.

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Contact Phone	e No:					
Please state any medical conditions or dietary requirements (these will remain confidential):						
We need chaperones in order to run this event, if you hold a current DBS check with Southfield Park School and are able to help, please write your details below. Many thanks.						
Name:		Email:	•••••			

Sorry we are unable to accommodate Years 1&2 or pre-school children to stay with siblings.

The Cycle Training Team at Surrey County Council are recruiting for Cycling Instructors and we would be very grateful if you could please forward the link below to your parents and carers or add it to your next school newsletter. We hope that with your assistance this may appeal to those looking for a rewarding role. We find that often parents are very interested in this role even if they are not actually looking at job sites.

Link - https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/jobs and search for "Cycling Instructor".

The Cycle Training Team

Surrey County Council

Ouadrant Court

35 Guildford Road Woking

GU22 7QQ



Annual Event & AGM 2017

Date: Friday 20th

Guildford College,

Guildford, GU1 1EZ

Register from

Stoke Road.

October

9.30am



Our annual event has something to offer everyone - both parent carers of children with additional needs and professionals working with SEND families. Speakers will include Councillor Clare Curran, cabinet member for children, author of "The Special Parent's Handbook" Yvonne Newbold and dyslexia specialist Julia Rowlandson.

Workshops include:

- Challenging behaviour
- SEN support in schools • Focus groups on Speech &
- Language and CAMHS • Q&A with Surrey's

Surrey's councillors ***

designated clinical officer PLUS stalls *** pamper session *** lunch with

To book, visit: http://www.planetreg.com/FVSA nnualEventAGM2017 Or contact us for a booking form: contact@familyvoicesurrey.org

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Fennells Mead, Ewell, Epsom, KT17 1TX • Telephone & Fax: 020 8393 8789 Headteacher: Mrs. C. Buckley • <u>www.stclements.surrey.sch.uk</u>

Position:	Midday Supervisor at St Clement's Catholic Primary School
Grade:	Surrey Pay S1/2 £15,189 - £15,856 (F.T.E.) prorata (approx. £1,226 - £1,280 annually)
Anticipated Hours:	Term time only (38 weeks) Monday 11:30-13:45 and Friday 12:15-13:30 (3.5 hours per week) Possibility of permanent additional hours being available from January 2018.

MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

We are looking for an enthusiastic, professional and caring person who has experience of working with or caring for young children and who is able to relate to and enhance the children's experiences. You will be a positive, approachable, flexible and adaptable person, who is a strong team player and can use your initiative and be proactive in order to enable the children to have memorable experiences at lunchtime.

We ask that applicants are flexible to help provide cover for ad-hoc sickness and other absences and to provide planned additional cover in peak times

We are very proud of our school and visits are warmly welcomed prior to application

Closing Date: Thursday 19th October 2017 at 12 noon

Interviews for successful applicants will be week commencing 30th October 2017.

We regret that we cannot accept CV's for this position, applications must be submitted using the CES Application forms available on Eteach.com via the link below.

https://www.eteach.com/microsite/jobdetails.aspx?vacno=798546&Page=5

Employment is subject to a satisfactory enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS), Occupational Health pre-employment check and right to work.





Local schools special 20% off with code: gamewagon

www.juniorgamecreators.co.uk

Junior Game Creators is a code academy delivered online and face to face during the school holidays. It is perfect to help develop children's interest and enthusiasm for computer science and digital creativity.

Every child should have the opportunity to learn computer science. Gamewagon makes that possible with it's fun online club and holiday camps, held every holiday.

The basics of coding help nurture creativity and problem solving skills, and prepare your child for a wide variety of future careers. If you have an older sibling our Level Up workshops takes them to a whole new level!













FREE Workshop-Introduction to being selfemployed



Dates: Friday October 27th

Time: 10am- 1pm

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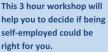
Venue: The Rosebery Room, Ebbisham Centre, Derby Square, Epsom, Surrey

Facilitator: Kate Antoniou

To book a place: Contact Parvin on 07380857701 or admin@workstressolutions.org.uk to obtain a pin number.

Then enrol online at <u>www.wea.org.uk</u> -course reference C3742098 or telephone 0300 303 3464.

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Fopics include:

- What does being selfemployed mean?
- How do I register as being self-employed?
 What is a business
- plan?What things do I need to consider
- (e.g. marketing, finance)? Please note that this

course is for Work Stress Solutions clients.

> Education & Skills Funding Agency



Helping with SEND

(Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) in schools



Due to popular demand we are running another SEND course this term!

Start Date: Thursday 19th October 2017

End date: Thursday 11th January

9.30am- 2.30pm (Every Thursday for 9 weeks, excluding half terms)

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Supporting Children on the

Autistic Spectrum

<u>Venue:</u> Rosebery Room, Ebbisham Centre, Derby Square, Epsom.

Tutor: John Classick

Vorkers' Educational Association



This is a level 2 accredited course

Topics include:

- Current legislation & responsibilities
- Strategies to support behaviour and learning of children with SENs

Cost: £135 plus an accreditation fee of £33. This course is free to those on Income Related Benefit

Voluntary work experience in a school for 20 hours is necessary to complete the portfolio.

Course details can be viewed online at <u>www.wea.org.uk</u>

Course code: C3742109

Please contact Sam Johnson on 07825 112798 or samanthaiohnson@wea.org.uk for details of how to enrol and to complete a short assessment exercise

Workers' Educational Association

Beginners Computer Course



Starts: Monday 6th November

10am- 12.00pm

This course runs every Monday for 5 weeks.

Topics include:

- Keyboard and Mouse Skills
- Using the internet to search for information
- Using email

Tutor: Gill Futcher

Education & Skills Funding Agency



A short course to teach you essential IT skills

Cost £30 (The course is free to those with proof of receiving Income Related Benefits)

Venue: Longmead Social Centre, Sefton Road, Epsom, Surrey, KT19 9HG

For further information please contact Sam Johnson-07825112798

Or email: samanthajohnson@wea.org.uk or search online at: www.wea.org.uk Course Code: C3742114

This is a beginners computer course for those with little or no computer experience. <u>Computers</u> are provided or you can bring your own if preferred.

The subsidised cost of this course is applicable to those who have lived in the EEU for 3 years or more. Other eligibility criteria need to be met for those who do not meet this condition.



Date: Friday 20th October 2017

<u> 10am- 1pm</u>

<u>Venue:</u> Rosebery Room, Ebbisham Centre, Derby Square, Epsom.

Tutor: Sam Barbot- Freeman

Education & Skills

Matrix Margania This course is free. Places are limited.

- Topics include:
 - Practical Strategies to help children to manage school and everyday life
 - Understanding the impact of sensory issues

For more details or to book a place visit: <u>www.wea.org.uk</u>

Course code: C3742124

Or telephone 0300 303 3464

