

# Sauncey Wood Primary Newsletter

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! I do hope you all enjoyed the Platinum Jubilee celebrations that we hosted last Friday. I know it was slightly late but it really was magical to see so many of our parents joining us for the celebrations.

We hope that you are looking forward to more of the exciting things that we have coming up such as school trips for certain year groups, District Sports at Sir John Lawes School on 30<sup>th</sup> June, our Break the Rules Day on 1<sup>st</sup> July and please do save the date of Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> July when we will be hosting the Sauncey Wood Colour Run and BBQ for the first time in over 2 years!

This week, our Year 1 pupils have been completing their Phonics Assessment and have all amazed us with their fantastic results. This is indeed a wonderful reflection of the dedication of our Year 1 team and the brilliant Mrs Thompson - thank you all for helping the children to shine!

We currently have a few spaces left for our Reception class starting in September 2022 and we would like to ask you to encourage friends and family who have children starting school next academic year to come and visit us. The spaces may go quickly but we wanted to let you, our school community, know first just in case there is someone you know of that would be interested in a school space at Sauncey Wood.

We would welcome new families to come and look around our school and hopefully join us as we continue to grow those curious minds.

Mr Lloyd

## Letters gone out since the last Newsletter:-

- 27.05.22** - Parent Survey Feedback 2021 - 2022
- 07.06.22** - Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) - Yr 3
- 07.06.22** - Rapid Readers
- 07.06.22** - Speech & Language Base developing into a Specialist Resource Provision - Consultation
- 15.06.22** - Tuck Shop is Coming Back - PLT

## School News

### Arts Week

Thank you to those that joined in for some of our Arts Week events. It was lovely to see so many old and new parents join the Art Trail that we hosted on the school field on Wednesday. There were over 70 parents that joined their children in creating some brilliant pieces of Art. From clay models, nature crowns to still life and sketching, it was just wonderful to see the children and adults using our outdoor space as a canvas for Art.

Thursday saw our main visitor of the week join us, James Mayhew. James is a painter, author, performer and illustrator and wowed each year group with a brilliant workshop based on all of his many talents. It was such an inspiration to us all and I was even approached by Leo D. during the lunch break where he said to me 'that he felt inspired by what he had seen and now wanted to do more Art'. It was just wonderful to see and hear of the impact these types of visits, days and themed weeks can have on our pupils.

I look forward to seeing Leo and others create their own masterpieces over the coming weeks. More information about James can be found here – your children may wish to talk to you about their experiences so please do explore this with them. <https://www.jamesmayhew.co.uk/>

### Sport at Sauncey Wood

The past two weeks have seen two large sporting events take place for our older children. Early last week was the Rounders Tournament at Redbourn Primary School and yesterday the Year 6 boys and girls took part in the Kwik Cricket Tournament at Harpenden Cricket Club.

Both Tournaments saw for the first time in 2 years, all of the local Primary schools competing against one another. Sadly in the Rounders event, we did not win a game but there were many players that did us proud by representing the school enthusiastically and showing real sportsmanship for each other. The Kwik Cricket event saw us take a strong stance in many of the games and even push several close to draws. We did not progress through to the finals but again, all of the children involved showed how supportive they are of each other and how wonderfully they can work together as a team.

## FRIEND'S NEWS

We've got so much going on in these last few weeks, lots of opportunities to help out and raise money for FoSW!

First event is the Jumble Sale on **Friday, 24th June** - please bring your donations to school on the Friday morning. The sale will be in the hall at 3.15 p.m. Cash and card payments available.

**Friday, 1st July** is Break the Rules Day - choose 1 or 2 rules to break, or break them all! 50p a rule, paid to Teachers. Also on Friday, 1st July is the Disco!! Tickets available on Classlist - please sign up or send money via the school office for tickets. **THERE ARE NO TICKETS FOR SALE ON THE DOOR!**

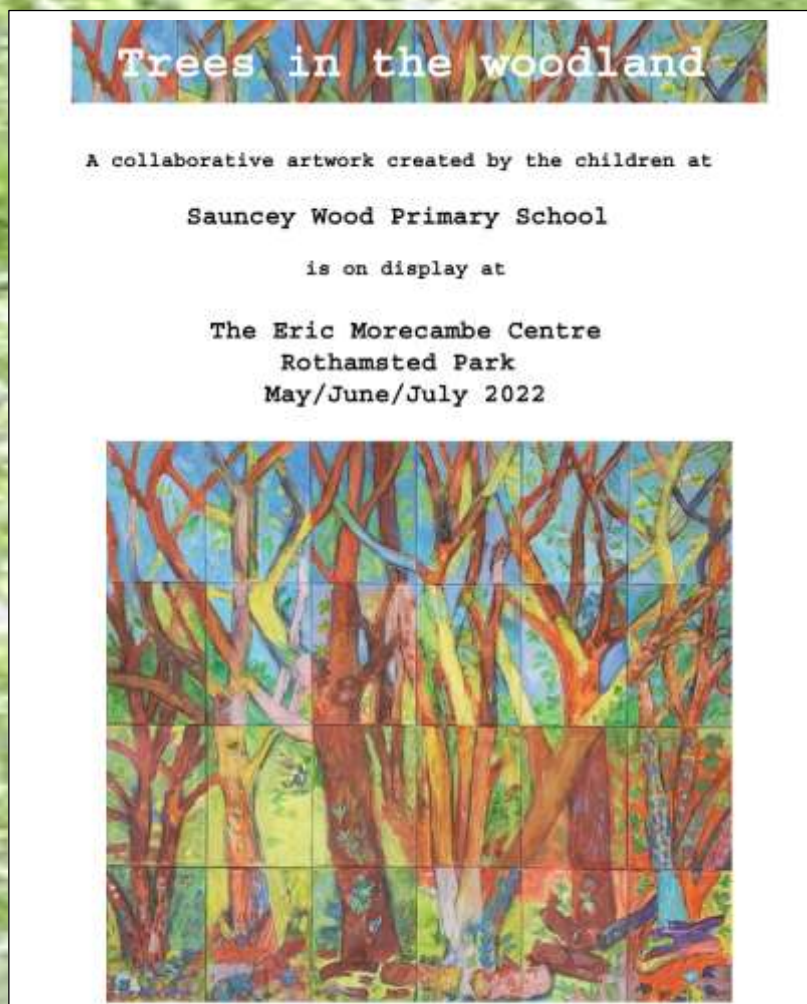
**Tuesday, 4th July** - please bring in a bottle for the bottle tombola at Larks in the Park which is on **Sunday, 10th July**. This is running from 12 - 5 p.m. at Batford Springs, please do come and support us. Everyone should have received raffle tickets to sell - the stubs must be returned to school with cash by Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> July. If you are able to offer an hour of help at this event it would be much appreciated.

**Saturday, 16th July** - Sauncey Wood Colour Run and BBQ! Tickets available on Classlist very soon - keep your eyes peeled!!

Could we encourage you if you haven't already done so to sign up to Classlist - there is a handy QR code in the Newsletter that makes it very easy and it means you can pay online for all events 24 hours a day without needing to find cash!

Enjoy the lovely weather and please do contact us if you're able to help with any events.

Clare and Gemma





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 Sauncey Wood Primary School  
 on the **Classlist App**

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by Jun 20th for quick approval
- 2 Install the Classlist app**

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**Why join Classlist?**

- Connect with class families
- Organise meet ups and birthday parties
- Get tickets to events

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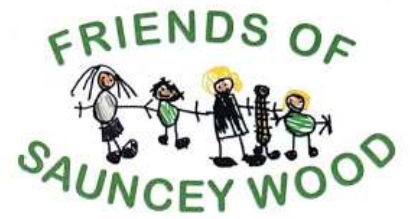
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Charity number 290481

**School Attendance**

This week's attendance at Sauncey Wood.

**National benchmark - our aim = 96.6%**

Year Group	Percentage Attendance
Reception	91.2%
Year 1	92.5%
Year 2	94.2%
Year 3	95.6%
Year 4	94.9%
Year 5	96.2%
Year 6	95.7%

**Whole school = 94.4%**

