HSA AGM – 29th September 2026
Executive Headteacher's Report

A Summary of the School's Progress in 2025-26
Last academic year, we focused on four key priorities within our School Development Plan (SDP):

- Raising attainment and improving progress in Mathematics and Writing.
- Further developing our primary curriculum through effective subject leadership.
- Strengthening inclusive practice to benefit all children and improve outcomes for our most vulnerable pupils.
- Developing responsible citizens through partnerships with our local community.

I am delighted to report that both the Infant and Junior Schools have made strong progress across all four priorities. This development has been verified throughout the year by visiting SWAN headteachers, our CEO and Director of Education. We also evaluate our progress through parent and pupil questionnaires, alongside pupil attainment and progress data.

Raising Attainment and Progress
Our Phonics Screening Check and Multiplication Tables Check results improved once again last year, marking four consecutive years of growth. These strong foundations continue to support children's future success in reading and mathematics.
This year, we will focus further on supporting children to work towards personalised targets within the core subjects, enabling rapid progress and helping every child achieve their full potential.

Curriculum Development
Our subject leaders have continued to drive significant improvements across the curriculum.
Recent developments within curriculum areas include:

- The purchase of new laptops and iPads to enhance the computing curriculum.
- Increased opportunities for children to receive instrumental tuition through our role as a Surrey Primary Music Lead School.
- The integration of our weather station as a permanent feature of the geography curriculum, with children collecting and analysing data throughout the year.
- Progress in our commitment to "Sit Less, Move More", supported by staff training on the importance of physical activity and wellbeing.
- The introduction of OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) at lunchtimes, which is already having a positive impact on children's social skills, creativity and physical engagement.

Inclusion and Support for All
Staff training with a focus on inclusive practice has led to improvements in classroom provision, and teaching and learning approaches. The needs of our most vulnerable pupils have been more effectively identified and supported.

- Children have benefited from access to our new nurture provision.
- Our Pupil Premium Champion initiative paired staff with children who would benefit from additional encouragement, coaching and aspiration-building support. This initiative proved highly successful and will continue this year.
- Our support for Young Carers has also continued to grow, providing valuable enrichment opportunities and targeted assistance to those identified as needing additional support.

This year our focus for future development will be for our children with English as an Additional Language.

Developing Responsible Citizens
Our children continue to demonstrate outstanding commitment to helping others. Last year, we raised significant funds for three charities chosen by the children themselves. Most notably, the school community raised over £7,000 for the Bee-Lieve Foundation, supporting children's mental health across Woking. We are delighted that the Foundation has agreed to work with us further in developing our nurture spaces across both schools.

Our Eco Warriors have also played an active role in educating pupils about sustainable travel and environmental responsibility. Their work has included:

- Promoting greener ways of travelling to school.
- Sharing the health and environmental benefits of sustainable travel.
- Conducting local traffic surveys.
- Organising community litter-picking initiatives.

What Expectations Are There of the HSA?
As always, the schools and I place no expectations on the HSA regarding fundraising targets.
It is wonderful to see children and families coming together and enjoying the events organised by our parent community. While additional fundraising is always appreciated, we recognise the ongoing pressures many families continue to face during the current cost-of-living challenges. Our primary hope is that everyone has fun and enjoys being part of our community.

We have shared a long-term wish list of projects that fall beyond what can typically be funded through government budgets. One example is the purchase of a school minibus, something that has been

consistently requested by children, parents and staff. A minibus would reduce transport costs for visits, increase opportunities for educational experiences and lessen the burden on families who currently help transport children to events. I continue to be impressed by the success of the HSA's fundraising efforts, and last year was no exception.

How Has the HSA Supported Our School Community?

Throughout the year, the HSA organised a wide range of enjoyable activities for both children and adults within our school community. By bringing families together through year-group, key-stage and whole-school events, you have once again delivered a full and varied programme of activities that has been enjoyed by all. Congratulations and thank you.

I particularly enjoyed the Summer Fair, which thankfully brought warmer weather than previous years. It was extremely well attended and a real pleasure to be part of.

Fundraising proceeds have enabled a number of significant improvements across our schools, including:

- The fantastic new bike shelter at the Infant School, encouraging greener travel and proving popular with both children and parents.
- Repainting of the Infant School hall. New hall curtains are due to be installed shortly.
- Replacement classroom carpeting.
- Year 6 leavers' gifts.
- New library software.
- The replacement of the wooden pond decking with safe and attractive new paving, funded through Co-op community support.

These improvements benefit all children and enhance their daily experience at school.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

What Is Working Well Within the HSA?

Some of the key strengths of the HSA continue to be:

- The dedication and commitment of the committee, particularly those undertaking central leadership roles and those who stepped forward to support at short notice.
- The invaluable contribution of our class representatives.
- The successful sharing of responsibilities across a wider team, reducing pressure on individual volunteers and ensuring that many people contribute to the success of events.
- The close working partnership between the HSA and school staff, particularly through Miss Foster in her role as Staff HSA Representative, working alongside Chloe as Chair throughout the year.
- The ongoing support shown by staff and governors, who attended events throughout the year and demonstrated their commitment to the wider school community.

- The substantial funds raised, which have directly supported improvements and opportunities for our children.
- The variety of events offered, including both much-loved traditions and new initiatives, ensuring there is something for every child and every family to enjoy.

It is always exciting to hear new ideas and see the enthusiasm with which they are embraced.

How Could the HSA Develop Further?

We will continue working closely with the HSA to strengthen communication and ensure information is shared clearly, accurately and with sufficient notice for families to plan ahead.

Whilst there has been clear improvement this year, communication remains a school priority. Thank you for your patience and understanding while we addressed the challenges caused by new systems at the beginning of term.

Looking Ahead

This term, we are excited to be progressing plans to purchase a school minibus.

Even more excitingly, we have already begun discussing the possibility of a second vehicle should funding allow. Having two minibuses would significantly increase opportunities for children by doubling transport capacity and enabling greater access to educational visits, sporting events and enrichment experiences.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

Together, we can continue to strengthen our school community, create wonderful opportunities for our children, and enjoy having fun while fundraising.

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