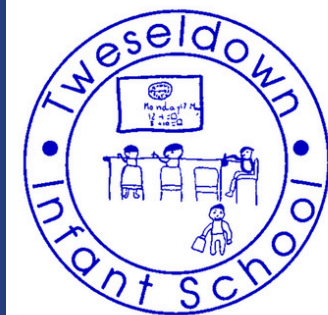
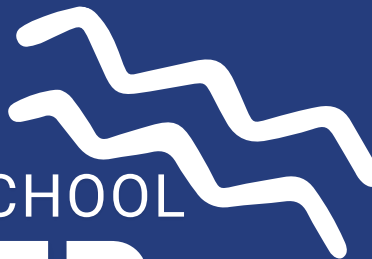


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### DIARY DATES

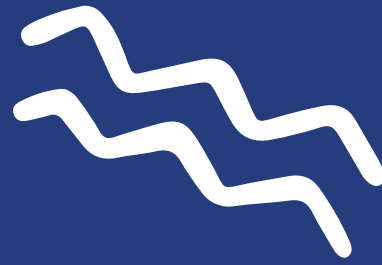
#### MARCH

- 20<sup>th</sup> March - Poetry competition
  - Coffee morning with Mrs Tottem 9am
  - Squirrel parent meeting 2:30pm
- 21<sup>st</sup> March - Spring Fair
- 24<sup>th</sup> March - Year 1 Parent Phonics talk 6pm
- 25<sup>th</sup> March - Rocksteady concerts
  - Bunny Bounce
- 27<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of term 1:30pm finish

### TERM DATES

- 30<sup>th</sup> March - 10<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Break
- 25<sup>th</sup> May - 29<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term
- 29<sup>th</sup> June - Inset Day (closed to pupils)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last Day of School

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## **SUMMER TERM - TEACHER RUN CLUBS**

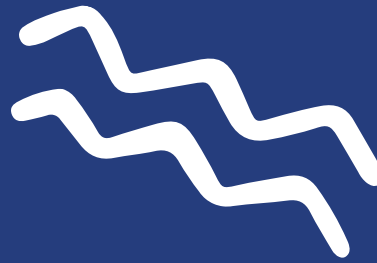
Just a reminder to Parents and Carers that there will not be any teacher run clubs during the summer term.

## **PARKING**

The parking restrictions in the Sainsbury's car park will come into force from 13<sup>th</sup> April. ANPR and monitoring cameras will be in use from this date. Please see the signage for further information and ensure you adhere to the parking terms & conditions. A reminder that parking is not permitted at all in the residents car park at the back of Sainsbury's. Thank you.

Congratulations to **Chestnut house** for reaching 1000 house points! You can come to school on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** in mufti!

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## **POETRY COMPETITION**

The parents/carers of children involved in the poetry competition at Elvetham Heath Primary School tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March are welcome to attend.

## **COFFEE MORNING**

Unfortunately Mrs Tottem has had to cancel coffee morning tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. We apologise for the inconvenience.

## **SQUIRREL PARENTS**

Mrs Tottem and Miss Saunders will be meeting with Squirrel parents at 2:30pm tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

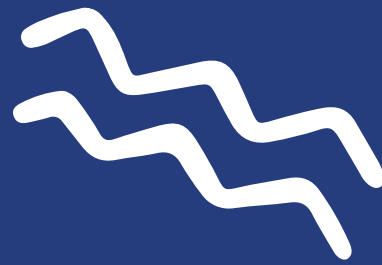
## **MRS COBURN**

Mrs Coburn's last day with us will be tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. We would like to thank Mrs Coburn for being with us for the last 6 weeks.

## **SPRING FAIR - VOLUNTEERS**

Our Spring Fair is taking place on Saturday - We still require volunteers! If you are able to help, we would really appreciate your time... Please sign up using the following link [volunteersignup.org/XD3DD](https://volunteersignup.org/XD3DD)

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## YEAR 1 PARENTS PHONICS TALK

On **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** at **6pm** there will be a Year 1 parents phonics talk which will take place in Otter class. This is centred around the phonics screening in June.

## ROCKSTEADY CONCERTS

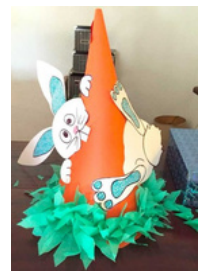
On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March the Rocksteady concerts will be held. If your child is due to attend, you should have received an email directly from Rocksteady with your child's performance time.

## BUNNY BOUNCE

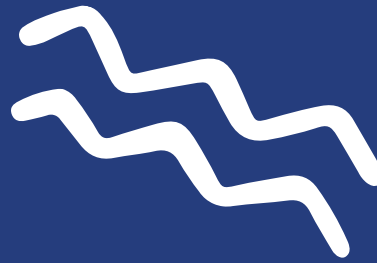
The Tweseldown Bunny Bounce will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Sponsorship forms have been sent out. Please ask as many friends and family as you can to sponsor your child to jump like a spring bunny!

## SPRING HAT

We are looking forward to seeing the lovely spring hat's children have made at home. On the last day of term we will have a Spring hat parade. Please ensure these are brought in on this day!



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## SANDY LANE CLOSURE

### Latest SGN update

Sandy Lane will close on Monday 23rd March as scheduled. The team will move the compound to Sandy Lane that week and will then do what they need to do to reopen Portland Drive.

There may be a short overlap with the works on Aldershot Road.

Sandy Lane will be blocked off at the Aldershot Road end, but pedestrian access will be maintained.

The private car park at the Memorial and Willis Halls will still be available for local school runs and hall users during the works. Access will be via the big roundabout by the entrance to Crookham Park. This will be a single lane, so please take extra care when accessing or leaving the car park.

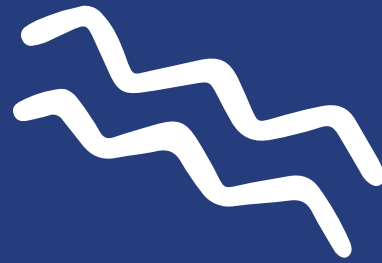
Church Crookham Parish Council has also given people permission to use the community centre car park in Boyce Road during the school runs. This is a short walk from Tweseldown Infants. Please do not use the disabled places unless you have a blue badge.

Crookham Juniors parents are urged to use the church car park in Aldershot Road, wherever possible, to reduce traffic near the school.

As long as there are no unforeseen circumstances, including bad weather, SGN hopes that the works may last as little as three to four weeks. The good news is that the Easter holidays start on 30th March for two weeks, so a lot of the work will be carried out when the schools are closed.

The designated diversion route does not include Tweseldown Road and road signage and social media posts will be used to emphasise that.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## **COLLECTION PASSWORDS**

Please ensure if someone new is collecting your child after school, a club or Starcare, they know the password you have provided. We cannot release your child if we are not given this information.

## **END OF TERM**

The last day of term is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Please can children bring in their spring hats for the hat parade on this day. School will finish at **1:30pm**. Starcare will not be available after school that day so please make other arrangements should you need to.

## **360 SPORTS EDUCATION - EASTER CAMP**

360 Sports Education are here over the Easter holidays! Sign your child up now for sports, activities and fun this Easter! Please see the flyers below for more information.

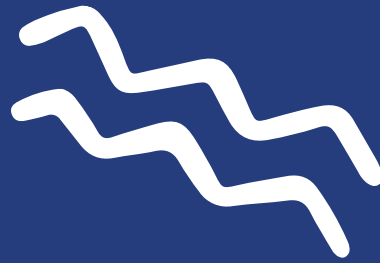
## **BACK TO SCHOOL**

We return to school after the Easter Holidays on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

## **SAVE THE DATE - PTFA DISCO**

The PTFA are organising a disco on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please save the date for this! Further information will follow in the next few weeks.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION



## **PTFA ZOOM MEETING**

There will be a PTFA zoom meeting taking place on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April. Further details will be provided nearer the time.

## **COMPOST**

If anyone is able and willing to donate some peat free compost to school, we would be very grateful.

## **MAY BANK HOLIDAY**

A reminder that it is a Bank Holiday on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May therefore school will be closed on this day.

## **QUIZ NIGHT**

The PTFA have organised the quiz night for Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Please save the date! Further details will follow in due course.

## **SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE**

The next second-hand uniform sale will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May.

# RECEPTION

We have started our exciting new book Supertato. In Drawing Club, we drew pictures of Supertato, labelled what we could see, and wrote a sentence to match our drawings. We also explored the supermarket setting from the story. During Explore and Learn time, we had great fun creating wanted posters to help track down the Evil Pea! We also went on a spring walk to observe what we could see. We used full sentences and compared this to the other seasons that we'd looked at.

This week, we have also begun designing our Easter baskets in preparation for making them next week. The children carefully considered the colours they would like to use and the patterns they might include. If any parents or carers would like to come in and help us create the baskets next week, please let your class teacher know.

In Maths, we have been focusing on measuring using cubes and comparing lengths. We have been using mathematical language such as taller, shorter, longer, and shortest. While out on a walk, why not encourage your child to find two objects and compare their heights? We have also been looking at capacity and working out which containers are full, empty or half-full.

We also got to plant cress seeds during explore and learn. We can't wait to watch them grow!

# YEAR 1

This week in Year 1, we have been reading the lovely story Dear Zoo. The children have enjoyed exploring the different animals in the book and have been busy writing sentences about who their own perfect pet would be. We have been so pleased with them remembering to use finger spaces and capital letters and full stops.

In maths, we have continued to build on our understanding of counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. The children have been using these skills to draw arrays and match them to repeated addition number sentences and helping them to visualise groups.

Our science learning has seen us observe the growth of cress seeds. We created cress heads. The children have been investigating which conditions help seeds to grow best, and checking for changes each day and discussing what they notice.

In DT, we have been exploring different types of baskets. The children have looked closely at their shapes, purposes and the materials they are made from. They have enjoyed comparing designs and thinking about why certain materials are chosen. Next week, we will begin designing and making our very own baskets.

We have been practising our number bonds to 10 and 20 in the last few weeks and many of the children have enjoyed playing different games to consolidate and learn these. Lots of children have been asking for us to tell parents about a game we have used in class called Hit the Button. It can be found at this link and is also available as an app - [Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds.](#)

# YEAR 2

Glorious sunshine greeted us at Kensington Palace this week! Year 2 were buzzing with excitement as we walked through Kensington Park. The sun was sparkling on the pond and the gardens were beginning to bloom with spring flowers. We couldn't believe our luck!

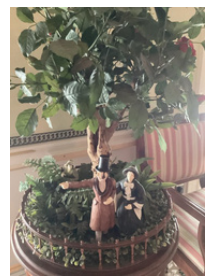
Inside the palace, the children enjoyed looking at the grand rooms and exploring Queen Victoria's childhood home. They even stood in the room that she was born in! They listened beautifully during the workshop, asking fantastic questions using a range of question words. They enjoyed playing with Victorian toys and they thought about whether we have similar toys today. We are so proud of how well the children represented our school.

In maths, we have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We have described their properties and have learnt to identify the number of faces, vertices and edges that a 3D shape has. We also learnt how to find a vertical line of symmetry in a 2D shape. We spotted 2D shapes as faces on 3D shapes and we learnt about rotation in a clockwise or anti-clockwise direction. Our next maths topic will be telling the time on an analogue clock. Please have a practise at home.

Please join us, if you are able, from 1.30pm on Friday to support us to create jewellery boxes out of wood for our DT project. Please let your child's class teacher know if you can come!

After Easter, our learning in geography will include some opportunities to compare Fleet to Winchester. You may consider visiting Winchester with your child during the Easter holidays. It can be a lovely day out! We will also be learning about Australia and we would love to borrow any Australian themed objects (clearly named), if you feel able to lend them to us. We really appreciate it!

# YEAR 2 KENSINGTON PALACE



# BEYOND THE GATE

## **Year 1 Sessions and Volunteers**

We require volunteers to support our sessions. To help Mrs. Dear plan for sessions, it is important that she knows how many volunteers she has well in advance. If you are able to help, please sign up using the link - Thank you.

<https://volunteersignup.org/9MM99>

## **Blog**

To see what your children get up to in their Beyond the Gate sessions, please take a look at the blog on our website. This is great to start a conversation with your child about what they did! <https://www.tweseldowninfantschool.co.uk/page/?title=Forest+School+Blog&pid=277>.

There is also a floor book, with even more photos, at the reception desk in the school office.

## **Planting and Growing**

All the year groups are making plans to get planting and growing this spring to support their National Curriculum Science learning and towards our whole school sustainability and biodiversity actions.

In order to help this, we are currently looking for donations of peat free compost and a team of adult gardeners to help with maintaining and looking after the plants (e.g. sowing/ watering/weeding)

## **Litter Picking Loan Equipment**

We have two sets of litter picking equipment available to borrow over the weekends. It is a great way to get outside and have a positive impact on the environment and local area.

Sign up here: [volunteersignup.org/47KE9](https://volunteersignup.org/47KE9)

You can then collect the equipment from Ms. Fewtrell (Owl class) on a Friday and return it to her on Monday.

## **David Attenborough's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

In May, David Attenborough is turning 100. To celebrate his extraordinary life, achievements, and of course his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday the whole School will be partaking in a week of activities from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May. Further details will follow soon.

# ECO SCHOOLS

## **Fleet RSPB Wildlife Explorers Club**

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2:30pm "signs of spring"**

This is a local group who hosts regular events for children to attend (see attached poster). Although the advertised age is older than children in our school, the organisers welcome younger children as long as they are accompanied by an adult for the duration. One of our children in Squirrel class has enjoyed attending their previous events.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2:30pm "signs of Spring" meeting. Meet at Zebon Close Car park by the Community Centre...

To book / register interest email: [Fleet.WEX@hotmail.com](mailto:Fleet.WEX@hotmail.com)

## **Wellesley Woodland Walks**

There are some amazing, guided walks and events coming up in the Wellesley Woodlands (see attached posters). Led by experts, they are a perfect opportunity to explore outside in nature; learn more about our wonderful local woodlands and develop your children's knowledge and understanding of flora and fauna.

These are free events (you just need to book a space/register interest). See the attached posters for details and the link.

### **Coming up:**

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March (2 - 3:30pm) Signs of Spring Walk

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March (10:30am - 12pm) Easter Trail (booking essential - see poster)

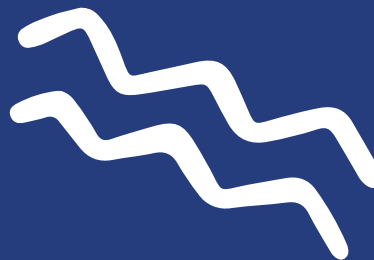
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April (8 - 9:30pm) Bat Walk

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April (8 - 9:30pm) Bat Walk

Mrs Dear often attends these walks with her family and would love to see some Tweseldown families!

## **Potato Growing**

Over the last week, all the classes have been planting potatoes! There are potatoes growing outside all the classrooms. The seed potatoes came from the "Grow your Own Potatoes for Schools Project".



## Upcoming PTFA Events & Dates

**Saturday 21st March** – Spring Fair from 11:00-14:00

**Thursday 26th March** – Bunny Bounce

### Spring Fair – Saturday 21st March

Our annual Spring Fair will be held at school on **Saturday 21st March** from **11:00-14:00**. This event raises vital funds for the school.

Come along to win prizes, have a go at the tombola or even have a bounce on the bouncy castle. There will be lots of fun and games for the whole family!

**We recommend booking your tickets in advance as they are cheaper than purchasing on the day.**

Advance prices: **Family £5, Adult £2, Child £1**

On the door: **Family £6, Adult £2.50, Child £1.50**

Tickets can be purchased via this link: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/tweseldown/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=112950>

To help make the event a success we kindly ask you for some donations. Many of these items will be things you already have at home. This week's donation request is for bottles of wine or alcohol. Please see the letter that was sent out in your child's bookbag before half term and ensure you return the slip along with your donation.

To make this event a success we need volunteers to help with setting up, running stalls and clearing up. If you can spare some time to help us, we would really appreciate this! Please follow the volunteer link to sign up: [volunteersignup.org/XD3DD](http://volunteersignup.org/XD3DD)

### Bunny Bounce – Thursday 26th March

Our annual Bunny Bounce is an opportunity for the children to bounce around the school with their bunny ears provided by the PTFA and collect sponsorship for their efforts. Sponsorship envelopes will shortly be sent home with your child. Alternatively, you can send sponsorship via bank transfer using the below details.

Name: **Tweseldown Infant School PTFA**

Account number: **27335060**

Sort code: **30-80-42**

**\*\*\*Please ensure you put your child's name and current class as the reference. (First letter of child's name, surname, and first 3 letters of class are sufficient. E.g. JBloggsKin = Joe Bloggs Kingfisher)\*\*\***

# HELPFUL CONTACTS

CAMHS - Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service – helping with emotional wellbeing and mental health for children aged 5-18 years old. <https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/>

ERIC-Help coping with children bedwetting. <https://eric.org.uk/childrens-bladders/bedwetting/>

Family Lives -Co-parenting after divorce or separation. Free online help, or call for free on 0808 800 2222 <https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

Gingerbread -Advice and practical support for single parents <https://www.gingerbread.org.uk/>

Grief Encounter -Supporting bereaved children and young people.  
<https://www.griefencounter.org.uk/>

Parentkind -Loads of resources for parents, covering many topics, including Common Sense Media; Fatherhood; Childcare Choices. <https://www.parentkind.org.uk/for-parents/parents-resources/parenting>

Psicon-A specialist team, offering the highest quality diagnostic assessments, treatment and support for Autism, ADHD and Mental Wellbeing. <https://www.psicon.co.uk/>

Relate -Get help with: counselling; mediation; supporting parent relationships; work place relationship support. <https://www.relate.org.uk/what-we-do/counselling/relationship-counselling>

Rainbow Trust -Support for seriously ill children and their families.  
<https://www.rainbowtrust.org.uk/>

Safe Haven Aldershot -Drop in, 365 days a year for mental health crisis. 6-11pm, Monday – Friday; 12:30pm-11pm weekends and bank holidays.  
Also available virtually using link: <https://nhs.vc/sabp/safe-haven-aldershot>

<https://www.sabp.nhs.uk/our-services/mental-health/safe-havens/SafeHavenAldershot>

Together for Short Lives -Family support team and helpline provides families of seriously ill children with emotional, financial and practical support and advice. Helpline: 0808 8088 100  
<https://www.togetherforshortlives.org.uk/>

The Sleep Charity -Advice and support with bedtimes and sleep.  
<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/>

Winston's Wish -Bereavement charity supporting grieving children and families.  
<https://winstonswish.org/>

Young Minds -A place of support if your child is struggling with anxiety.  
<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/anxiety/>

- MARCH -

# PINEAPPLE

**Fun Fact!**  
Pineapples are tropical fruit treasures with a crown of spiky leaves.

**Pineapples have special ingredients to help digest your food!**



**Celebrate the season of pineapples with us!**



# Easter Holiday Camps

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# Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Tweseldown Infant School  
Jubilee Dr, Church Crookham, Fleet GU52 8DW

### DISCOUNTED RATES FOR TWESELDOWN PUPILS

**Standard Day**  
9:30am - 4:30pm  
£30

**Extended Day**  
8:15am - 5:45pm  
£35

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Mon 30 March (pm)



**Arts & Crafts with Summer**

Tue 31 March (pm)  
Fri 10 April (pm)



**Zoolab**

Thu 9 April (pm)



**Intro to First Aid for Children**

Tue 7 April (pm)



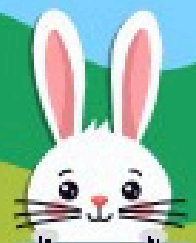
**NERF Games**

Thu 2 April (pm)  
Wed 8 April (pm)



**Taekwon-Do with Charlie**

Wed 1 April (pm)



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# THE SPRING FAIR

SATURDAY 21ST MARCH  
11AM-2PM



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# Wellesley Woodland Easter Trail

Wellesley Woodlands are launching the annual Easter Trail through the woodland on Tuesday 31st March. Follow the map to find all the letters and work out the word, then come to the gazebo to claim your reward and be entered into the prize draw.

Special storytime for little ones at 11.00am

Booking Essential!

If you can't come on the day you can still join in! Download the map from our Eventbrite page and get hunting for the letters.



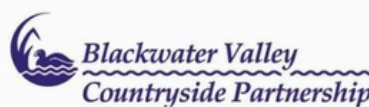
The carpark next to Wellington Statue, GU11 1QA



10:30 - 12:00pm, Tuesday 31st March, 2026



Email: [wellesleywoodlands@tcv.org.uk](mailto:wellesleywoodlands@tcv.org.uk)  
for more information or to enter prize draw.





# Wellesley



## Woodlands Walks 2026

### **FREE guided wildlife walks**



- Winter Wildlife - Saturday 17th January 10.30-12pm  
Dawn Chorus - Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 8-9.30am  
Signs of Spring - Saturday 28th March 2-3.30pm  
Bat Walk - Friday 24th April 8-9.15pm  
Bat Walk - Wednesday 29th April 8-9.15 pm  
Canal Wildlife - Saturday 16th May 1.30-3pm  
Evening Wildlife - Monday 15th June 6.30-8pm  
Flowers & Butterflies - Sunday 26th July 11-12.30pm  
Thorn & Heather Hills - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2-3.30pm  
Bat Walk - Friday 21st August 8-9.15pm  
Bat Walk - Friday 11th September 7.15-8.30pm  
Bat Walk - Wednesday 16th September 7-8.15pm  
Family Fungi - Saturday 24th October 11-12.30pm  
Family Fungi - Sunday 15th November 11-12.30pm  
Signs of Autumn - Sunday 15th November 2-3.30pm  
Winter Tree ID - Saturday 5th December 2-3.30pm

**For more details and to book scan  
the QR code or visit:  
[www.wellesleywoodlands.co.uk](http://www.wellesleywoodlands.co.uk)**



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# Fleet Wildlife Explorers

## Join your local RSPB Youth Group

Fleet RSPB Wildlife Explorers provides children 8yrs plus with an exciting and varied programme of indoor and outdoor activities that develops their interest in birds, wildlife and the environment (families welcome) - all related to having fun and learning more about the natural world around us.

### **Monthly Indoor or Outdoor Meetings (excl. Dec & Aug)**

Check Facebook page for up-to-date details of meetings.

#### **For further details:**

Email: [Fleet.WEX@hotmail.com](mailto:Fleet.WEX@hotmail.com)

Facebook: [Fleet RSPB Wildlife Explorers | Facebook](#)

Phone: 07415 017 394