



# This Week's News!

Friday 19th July 2024



Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the year. What a fantastic year it has been. I personally would like to thank you all, children, parents, families, the wider Flamstead community and our wonderful school staff for making me feel so welcome and supported since starting here in September.

The highlight of the week has been the KS2 production of Peter Pan. The children were amazing. The set, their costumes and their props were all fabulous. The children all need to be commended on their singing and acting, especially those children who sang solos, duets and in small groups. It was a super way to end the term.

All the children also enjoyed the 'Tick, Tock and Bubble Blow Out' Science workshop on Tuesday. They completed some great experiments and the children were all enthused when they returned to their classes. We welcomed our Governors into school on Tuesday and they enjoyed seeing a variety of lessons and activities, including the rehearsals for Peter Pan and the Science workshop.

In Cherry Class this week the children have been super scientists with their bubble and time workshops as well as setting their class butterflies free! They have had a very busy week as the school year draws to a close filled with fun, phonics and football stadium builders!

Maple Class completed their 'Star In The Jar' and received their reward. They chose to take part in a special 'Bucket Time', they made giant bubbles in the playground and also made a volcano out of coke and Mentos! The day ended with parachute games in the hall which everyone enjoyed.

This week for Chestnut Class has been all about rehearsals, however, in PSHE, they have also managed to think about how people change as they grow up, shown good listening and concentration in activities to develop focus, enjoyed the fantastic science workshops from Spark2 and produced a delicious menu based on seasonal food to finish their DT unit.

Bonsai Class have had a busy week in school too. Year Five completed their Maths and Reading assessments while Year Six wrote letters of advice to next year's Year Six children. All children enjoyed completing their 'my year' forms remembering all the amazing activities and experiences they have had this year. Performance rehearsal and set design have been in over drive and all final preparations came together beautifully.

Today our Year Six leavers enjoyed a treat and were taken to 'Planet Ice' for a goodbye celebration. We also have their leavers assembly to also look forward to on Monday, tissues at the ready! We will miss the Year Six children greatly. They are a wonderful cohort and we all wish them well as they move onto the next stage of their lives.

I wish you all a wonderful summer, may you be at home or away. I hope you all are able to take some time to relax and enjoy each others company. I will send a short message to you all on Tuesday, sharing the recipients of our end of term 'Always' and 'Achievement' certificates and the recipients of our end of term 'Star Awards' School Club information for September will also be sent home next week.

Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday for the final short week of the Summer Term.

Mrs J Walton-Jones  
Headteacher



## Italian words of the week

‘nuovi inizi’ meaning ‘new beginnings’

# Photos of the week

## Peter Pan—What a performance!



## Tick-Tock and Bubble Blow Out Science Workshop



## **IMPORTANT — URGENT FINANCE REMINDER**

Thank you to all parents who have topped up their lunch accounts and made donations towards trips and workshops your child has participated in this year. As you are aware, the school does not have the funds to cover these costs and we rely on accounts being settled.

There are some outstanding balances so please can we ask again that you make your payments as soon as possible, particularly if your child is in Year 6.

We will accept payment via Arbor, cash or cheque (payable to Flamstead Village School) If you have any problems or are unsure of what you have outstanding or would like to pay by BACs transfer instead, please contact the school office.

Thank you.

### **Year 3 Children (September 2024) - Free School Meals**

Children who are moving up into Year 3 in September will **no longer entitled** to Universal Free School Meals. If you fit the required criteria you will be entitled to Free School Meals, to find out more and to apply online please go to <https://beta.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

If you do not have internet access, please speak to Mrs Drake in the school office.

### **Renewal of free school meals applications**

If your child is currently entitled to free school meals this will be automatically renewed assuming your circumstances have not changed.

#### **Key messages**

- Parents/carers **do not need to re-apply** for a free school meal for September 2024.
- Any child receiving a free meal as well as 100% music remission will be renewed for both.
- Letters will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a meal.

If you have any queries please contact [howcanwehelp@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:howcanwehelp@hertfordshire.gov.uk)

# FOFS News

As the school year comes to a close, we just wanted to say a huge THANK YOU to all parents, carers and children who've supported our Fundraising this year.

From the Autumn Fair last year, to the Fireworks Night, Christmas Shop and Christmas Tree Collection, to the Pancake Flip, annual Fish and Chip Quiz Night back in May to the recent Summer Fair. Your support has meant we've been able to:

- Replace every chair in every classroom throughout the school.
  - Buy 2 new basketball hoops and 2 new Arbor seats
  - Buy a mud kitchen and trikes for Early Years
- Create a new Outdoor Learning Area with raised flower beds, tables, benches, and circular log seating area
  - Buy a new set of board games for our KS2 Board games club
- Redecorate our front reception area and Chestnut class, thanks to Dave Carter from Westenders FC
  - Re-carpet the front reception and main hallway of the school
  - Pay for new blinds in the school's hall.

Your support has made these changes happen. We know that, the more we invest in our school, the more our children will thrive, so thank you for being a part of that.

Special thanks also to Mrs Walton-Jones and all the teachers and staff at the school who have been so warm and accommodating to the FOFS team, as we've run events or held work days at the school.

Have a brilliant summer everyone!  
Love Christy, Alister, Jordana, Sarah, Anna and Tania

['Free' National Trust family pass with 95p newspaper](#)



Please look at the webpage below for details about free National Trust passes. Please note this offer will only be available in selected newspapers until Sunday 21st July.

<https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/deals/national-trust/>

**Bright Stars!  
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Nursery	<b>Reggie</b>	For his wonderful progress in writing his name independently. Reggie has been putting lots of effort into his letter formation. Well done!
Reception	<b>George</b>	For his amazing independent writing this week. George blew Miss Stout's socks off with his amazing sentences!
Year 1	<b>Finley</b>	For really good phonic learning this week with Switch it Mitch.
Year 2	<b>Jerry</b>	For writing an incredible counting poem that really impressed all his teachers.
Year 3	<b>Ava</b>	For being a great role model and friend, good listening and sharing her ideas.
Year 4	<b>Max</b>	For making great contributions in class discussions and being a team player.
Year 5	<b>Leo</b>	For always being a good role model and for helping so much with the stage props.
Year 6	<b>Archie</b>	For taking the leading role in our 'Peter Pan' performance.

### TTRS and Numbots

Year Group	Who impressed us most?	Percentage of Children online
Nursery	Edie	14%
Reception	-	20%
Year 1	Leo	9%
Year 2	-	7%
Year 3	-	60%
Year 4	-	27%
Year 5	-	13%
Year 6	Sloan	11%

**You can still access your online learning over the holidays!**

### Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 15/07/24
Nursery	100%
Reception	92%
Year 1	93%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	99%
Year 5	78%
Year 6	95%

**Well done Year 6 and Nursery !!!**

**Let's see if all classes can gain 100% attendance from September!**

**Please remember not to take holidays and breaks in term time please.**



**ONE IMPOSSIBLE THING**  
SPORTS SHOE NETWORK

## **Need sports shoes for the new school term?**

We're a charity that collects preloved sports shoes and gives them out for **free** to people locally.

We're holding three Pop Up Stands in Grove Hill over the summer holidays. We have all sizes of trainers and astro boots available. We also have a limited supply of football boots.

### **Dates and Times:**

**Tues 23rd July 10am-12pm**

**Thurs 22nd Aug - 11am-1pm**

**Fri 30th Aug 2pm-4pm**

### **Location**

**The Active Hub, Redbourn Road, Hemel, HP2 7BA**

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# PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2024



[moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free](https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free)

## LAS IGUANAS

Join 'My Las Iguanas' via the App & Niños eat free with every adult main

## ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

## SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

## PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

## THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

## TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)

## PUREZZA

Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased

## TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

## IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

## SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

## BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

## PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

## MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

## TESCO CAFES

1 Free Kids meal with every 60p Spend. Available from July 1st Scotland and NI - from July 22nd England & Wales

## GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

## YO! SUSHI

From Monday 1st July - Friday 30th August 2024, kids eat free all day Mondays to Fridays at YO! Sushi (min adult spend £10).

## WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

## BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

## COCONUT TREE

One child (aged 10 and under) eats free per paying adult. Valid Daily, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 22nd July to Friday 6th Sept 2024.

## DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

## TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

## HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

## FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.