



This Week's News!

Thursday 28th March 2024

Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families,

We have come to the end of a wonderful term. We have been very busy with exciting activities for the children and some fabulous trips out of school to extend and enrich their learning. The school building work is moving on well and we hope to have all the internal scaffolding removed during the Easter holidays. Today, the children in Year Three and Year Four were able to move back into their newly painted classroom. It looks lovely!

The highlight of this week was our Easter Celebration and our wonderful Easter hat and bonnet parade. The children all looked delightful and the service at the Methodist Church with Reverend Helen was meaningful. All the classes performed their songs, poems and presentations so well.

Well done to Jessica, Ella, Ferne, Joey, Rafael, Louie, Daniel and Archie who won the Easter hat Competition. I am sure they liked their certificates and Easter egg prizes.

Other Easter activities this week involved an Easter egg hunt for the whole school and some egg rolling competitions which provided lots of fun and laughter and we managed to avoid the worst of the weather.

Instead of 'Bright Star' certificates this week we presented our 'Always' and 'Achievement' certificates on Thursday morning. Our 'Always' certificate is for a child who has consistently tried their best in either school work or behaviour across the term. Our 'Achievement' certificate is for a child who has shown resilience and determination in achieving a goal or an aim this term. We also presented 'Star' trophies in each year group and an overall 'Sports Star' trophy to children who have shone even more brightly than usual this term.

I wish you all a wonderful Easter break. I hope you get to spend time with your families and those dear to you. Regardless of if you are 'home' or 'away' please do enjoy your time together and we all look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday the 15th of April.

Best wishes to you all.

Mrs Walton-Jones



Italian word of the week - 'cioccolato' meaning chocolate



End of Term Awards

At the end of each term we award 'Always' and 'Achievement'

certificates and 'Star' trophies for each key stage and for sport. Well done to the children below for their awards for the Spring Term.

'Always' and 'Achievement' certificate'		
	Always	Achievement
Nursery	Edie	Delilah
Reception	Darcy	Xander
Year 1	Elsie	Otto
Year 2	Henry	Olivia
Year 3	Alice	Darcy
Year 4	Lottie	Max
Year 5	Harry	Evie
Year 6	Sloan	Charlotte
EYFS Spring Term Star	Cordelia	
KS1 Spring Term Star	Oscar	
KS2 Spring Term Star	Louis	
Spring Term Sports Star	Archie	

Kids eat for free or less this Easter in Hertfordshire

We have been advised that there are offers available over Easter at certain eating establishments. Please see the link below for further details.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/about-the-council/news/news-archive/kids-eat-free-Easter>

Make sure you always check the terms and conditions of each restaurant or café before you go to avoid disappointment or unwanted cost. You can do this on their websites or check with the restaurant staff before ordering.

Under the sea Art project inspired the BBC documentary 'Blue planet' by the children of Flamstead after school art club.

The children who attend Art Club have produced some fantastic work this half term. Please follow the link below to see their creations:-

<https://www.myafterschoolartclub.com/flamstead-art-gallery>

Music event at St. Leonard's



**Elaine Delmar
in Concert**

with
Barry Green, Piano
Simon Thorpe, Bass

Friday 26 April 2024, 8pm
St Leonard's Church
Flamstead

Email tickets@musicatstleonards.co.uk
Or call Anne Françoise - 07577 530825

Tickets £30/ £25/ £20



TTRS and Numbots

We have no expectation that the children complete home learning activities over the Easter break but please do continue to read with your child on a daily basis where possible.

Your child can also continue to access TTRS and Numbots during the holiday.

Other good sites you may wish to visit are

KS1—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>

KS2—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

Please do explore the great outdoors. Activities in Hertfordshire are listed further on in the newsletter.

Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 25/03/24
Nursery	100%
Reception	91%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	87%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	86%
Year 6	97%

Well done Nursery and Year 4—Super attendance!



Flamstead Village School Our Easter Celebration at the Methodist Church



Having fun egg rolling!



Our End of Term Presentation Assembly



Upcoming dates for your diaries!

Date	Time	Event
15.04.24	-	Start of the Summer Term - Back to school
19.04.24	All day	Y1 and Y2 visit to Paradise Wildlife Park (Hertfordshire Zoo)
22.04.24	-	Arrival of our chick eggs
24.04.24	-	Activkidsuk—Olympian Visit—school fundraiser
02.05.24	9.00	Reception Parent meeting— EYFS Profile information
02.05.24	9.00	Chestnut Class Assembly
06.05.24	-	Bank Holiday—School Closed
07.05.24	-	INSET Day—School closed to children
13.05.24	-	SATS week for Y6 pupils
22.05.24		Class photo day
27.05.24	-	May Half Term holiday
03.06.24	-	Back to school
03.06.24	-	Y4 Multiplication Times Tables checks from today (National)
10.06.24	-	Year 1 Phonics Check week (National)
25.06.24	All day	Y1 and Y2 'History off the Page' workshops at Markyate School
27.06.24	AM	Sports Day and Picnic
28.06.24	9.00	Cherry Class Assembly
01.07.24	All week	Y5/6 Residential to Grittleton House
10.07.24	3.30—5.30	Open Evening and Arts Fest
11.07.24	9.00	Hertfordshire Secondary Transition Day
11.07.24	9.00—12.00	New Nursery children 'Stay and Play'
11.07.24	AM	School Transition Day with new Reception children and Parent staying for lunch
17.07.24	3.30—4.30	KS2 Production to parents/carers—afternoon
18.07.24	6.30—7.30	KS2 Production to parents/carers—evening (children back 6pm)
22.07.24	9.00	Y6 Leavers Assembly
23.07.24	1.30	End of the Summer Term. School finishes at 1.30pm

Please put these into your diaries! All these dates and term dates for 2024—2025 are also on the school website.

Springtime adventures to have in Hertfordshire



Sign up for a library card	Visit Herts Archives	Get an audiobook through Borrowbox	Visit a local museum	Take a ride at East Herts Miniature Railway
Family Fun Event with Family Centres	Go fly a kite	Make your own playdough	Go bird watching	Arts & crafts day
Walk a canal path	Visit North Hertfordshire Museum	Spot the sculptures in Broxbourne Woods	Junior park run	Join a Herts Wildlife Trust event
Visit St Albans Cathedral	Explore new parks	Go virtual orienteering	Picnic in the park	Play Pokémon Go
Take a trip with HertsLynx	Visit a Bluebell wood	Find a local skate park	Explore Berkhamsted Castle	Visit a National Trust Herts location
Tring's Natural History Museum	Verulamium Museum	Go for a bike ride	Picnic outside Hertford Castle	Treasure map trails
Check out an activity at the library	Explore RSPB Rye Meads	British Schools Museum	Explore the Roman Ruins	Play PooH Sticks at Aldenham Country Park
Lowewood Museum	Discover Royston Caves	Build a den in the woods	Explore using the Rights of Way map	Go foraging
Get a bargain at the Reuse Centre	Explore Heartwood Forest	Take a trip to the farm	Find the magic at Scott's Grotto	Oughtonhead Nature Reserve
Swim at a local leisure centre	Have an Easter egg hunt	Spot Spring flowers	Visit Cedars Nature Centre	Explore St Alban's Clock tower



CHURCH FARM, ARDELEY

A Free Range Experience



Camping at Church Farm

At Church Farm Ardeley we have very large camping fields which offer a wonderful opportunity for larger groups of families to book school class camping trips as well as individual family stays.

Accommodation includes the hire of bell tents and cabins (with or without 'glamping' options), as well as multiple woods and fields to pitch your own tents. All large groups are allocated roped private areas so that they can all camp together.

We offer a variety of options to enhance your stay: camp fire packs, BBQ hire, straw bales, and delicious food that can be ordered in advance from our website or purchased from our on-site farm shop. There is also a pub and restaurant (The Jolly Waggoner) as well as our café for the all-important teas, coffees and bacon rolls.

Camping at the farm also includes free farm passes (usually £6.95pp per day) for the duration of your stay. Get to know the animals, explore our woodland play area, follow the farm trail, and find out about growing and horticulture in our polytunnels and kitchen garden. And there are plenty of beautiful family walks in the peaceful, rolling Hertfordshire countryside.

Additional bookable activities include Egg Collecting, Goat Walking, Fairy Trail, Animal Feeding and (from Feb-April) Lamb Bottle Feeding.



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