



Flamstead Village School



The School has been hit by 'World Cup Fever'! Together, we are recording the scores each day, becoming more aware of different countries flags and customs and using the map to identify where different countries are in the World.

Bright Stars 18.11.22

Nursery	Xander	<i>For contributing to his phonic lessons every day.</i>
Reception	Leo	<i>for his persistent effort in practicing for our nativity.</i>
Year 1	Nicole	<i>For putting in a huge effort so far with Christmas Nativity rehearsals.</i>
Year 2	George	<i>For trying his best with all his work and challenging himself to always do better.</i>
Year 3	Itai	<i>For working hard to improve his spellings and always showing kindness to others.</i>
Year 4	Max	<i>For focusing on his learning and working hard to improve his concentration.</i>
Year 5	Archie	<i>For his enthusiasm and love of learning. Well done Archie!</i>
Year 6	Martha	<i>For consistently displaying an excellent attitude to learning and helping around the classroom.</i>

Be Bright - Be Seen

Hertfordshire County Council Active and Safer Travel Team would like to remind everyone of the importance of wearing **bright** and **reflective clothing** when out and about, to make them more visible to traffic during the darker winter months. Year 3&4 pupils might be able to tell you why this is!

Attendance

We have been looking at our figures for this term and our attendance is below the National Average of 94.4%. We do encourage excellent attendance as this is proven to show positive results in children's learning and well-being.

Year 3&4 Assembly

It was lovely seeing so many of you at the Year 3&4 assembly this morning. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Well done to the children!

5&6 Class Assembly

We are looking forward to seeing Year 5&6 parents at the class assembly on **Wednesday 30th** November. The assembly will begin at 9:00 am so we are asking parents to wait on the playground until the children are settled when you will then be able to go into the hall.

Running Club

We will be having a 'Running club' on Wednesday lunchtimes from 12.45 pm - everyone can join in if they are over 5 years old but children will need to bring outdoor trainers (football boots) and joggers.

Art Show

Make sure you have Tuesday 6th December - 3.30 to 4.15 pm and Wednesday 7th - morning drop off - in your diaries! The children have painted some beautiful pictures which will be on display and for sale at £5.00 each.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We are pleased to tell you that **£181.26** was raised through your donations this year. Thank you to everyone who supported the appeal.

Parent Council meeting

The next Parent Council meeting of this academic year will be taking place in school on Thursday 1st December at 9.00 am. If you have any whole school issues, please raise them with your class representative (as listed below) who will take them to the meeting.

Nursery	Catherine Levick
Reception	Michelle Harris
Year 1	Rebecca Gibson
Year 2	Katie Sanders
Year 3	Rebecca Were
Year 4	Sam Carter (Mrs)
Year 5	
Year 6	Jen Carson

Prêt-a-Portait photos

The photographs taken during last week's session are now 'LIVE'. Viewing cards with all the details you need to access the photos online will be sent home with the children. If you need any help, please do not contact the school but Prêt-a-Portrait directly on 0800 021 7626 / customerservice@pret-a-portrait.net.

Early Years Update

This week the class have been putting so much effort into learning the stage directions and songs for our nativity! We have also been very excited about the Men's World Cup this week after watching the football in class on Monday! All children have chosen a country for our class sweepstake which will be displayed for you all to see. In maths we are looking at counting for purpose such as candles on a birthday cake or the right amount of milk and fruit for snack time. **Next week:** We will be continuing to practice for the show and will be reading the book 'Harvey Slumfenburger's Christmas Present'.

EYFS Class Trip - reminder

The children in EYFS are visiting St. Albans Cathedral on Thursday 1st December to support their learning about the Christmas Story. If you have not yet made your donation for this trip, please can we ask you to do this asap.

Food Safety and Hygiene

We hope you will join us in congratulating our cook, Emma, for achieving a 5 rating, **Very Good**, in her recent Food Hygiene inspection.

Musical Theatre Club

There will be no Musical Theatre Club on Wednesday 14th December as the EYFS/KS1 Christmas performance will be taking place in the school hall from 4.00 pm.

Pond

I am sure you will all agree that our pond is starting to take shape beautifully. We have a few more thank-you's for people who have made a contribution:-

- * Steve McCurdy from Majestic Trees for the amazing donation of a crab apple tree for the pond area
- * Emilie Griffin from St Luke's School, Redbourn, and Tania Budowski-Guinand for their large donation of plants.
- * Local resident Melanie Williams for her generous donation of wildlife-loving plants.

Flu Vaccinations

If your child missed their flu vaccinations at the first session, there is another opportunity for them to have this on **30th November**. Please ensure you respond to the ParentMail sent out on the 17th November to give consent or non-consent.

Community

We have been asked to share with you the following message from Jo, Vicar of St Leonard's, Flamstead and St John's, Markyate:

"The Christingle Service will be back - after two years' absence - at St Leonard's Church at 3pm this Sunday, 27 November.

The candle flames will be real: so please tie long hair back!

Everyone is welcome.

With very best wishes, Jo"

Flamstead Pre-School News

Flamstead Preschool are now able to offer our Afterschool Club, Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays until 5pm, including pickup from Flamstead School, from this Monday 21st November.

Please email us on info@flamsteadpreschool.co.uk to book your place.



Christmas Update



Christmas Decoration Competition 2022

For homework this week the children have been given the task of designing and making a Christmas decoration that can be hung on a hook to decorate their classroom. Our theme this year is **Christmas Presents**. Children have one week to complete this homework as we will be hanging the decorations up in the classrooms on 1st December. At the end of the term Mrs Geoghegan will judge all the decorations and award a prize to one pupil in each year group. The decorations will be judged on creativity, originality and overall presentation.

EYFS/KS1 Production

We can confirm the times for this year's nativity production of 'The Angel Who Nearly Missed It All'.

- Monday 12th - Dress rehearsal at 9.30 am
- Tuesday 13th at 9.30 am
- Wednesday 14th at 4.00 pm



School Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day



Christmas lunch and Jumper day is **Wednesday 14th**. A form will be sent out via ParentMail for you to choose your child's Christmas lunch option.

Children can come into school wearing their Christmas Jumpers that day too.



North Pole Christmas Shopping Day

The children will be doing their 'Christmas Shopping' on **Thursday 15th**. Please send forms and payment to the school office asap.



Children's Christmas Parties

The children's Christmas parties are being held on **Friday, 16th** in the school hall - further information will follow soon.