



Flamstead Village School

Message from Chris Carson - Chair of Governors

We know that parents have been concerned about Ms Jones health, since we made you aware in our first newsletter of the term.

As an update, we are regularly in touch with her, and whilst she is improving, she will need a little longer before returning, which we are hoping will now be January. She misses the school, and we wish her a full recovery.

In the meantime, Mrs Geoghegan will be staying with us during this period, and is looking forward to continuing to be part of the school.

Bright Stars 07.10.22

Nursery	Xander	<i>For creating new friendships and always having positive interactions with classmates</i>
Reception	George	<i>For challenging himself in learning activities and for being an excellent role model.</i>
Year 1	Nicole	<i>For having an amazing attitude towards her learning all week</i>
Year 2	Rupert	<i>For working very hard in Maths all week, even when he found a new concept tricky.</i>
Year 3	Leo	<i>For consistent effort in presentation and setting high standards</i>
Year 4	Louis	<i>For excellent use of vocabulary in science and always giving his best.</i>
Year 5		
Year 6		

Parent Consultations

Consultation slots for **EYFS, Year 1&2 and Year 3&4** are now available to book via ParentMail. We have encountered a problem with adding slots for year **Year 5&6** on the system. However, a booking form has been sent out today for Parents of Year 5&6 to choose a day and time period. A slot will then be allocated within the time frame which will be confirmed with you

Tag Rugby

Yesterday 10 pupils in year 6 represented the school in a Mixed Tag Rugby Festival. We are very proud of our children who won 5 of their games, and drew 2. Well done team!

We would particularly like to thank them all for their team spirit. Any photos we have from the event will be put up on display at our Parent consultation evenings.

Thank you

We would like to say a very big **THANK YOU** to the following people for their help over the last week:

To Nancy Wild and FoFS for the donation of bark for our EYFS outdoor area which has made a huge difference to the look and safety of the area.

We also wish to thank FoFS again and Christy Lee and all her co-helpers for taking on our pond. I think you will all agree there has been a huge aesthetic improvement already following their efforts on Monday.

And, to Richard Morrice (Mrs. Morrice's husband) for his help trying to fix the taps in the KS2 boys' toilets.

We are lucky at Flamstead School to have such supportive parents/community.

Early Years Update

This week we have enjoyed learning in our new mud kitchen which looks lovely and bright with the new bark. Our growing area is now full of herbs and fruit bushes. We have been learning about horizontal and vertical lines in maths and comparing lengths and height of objects. Next week we will be painting self-portraits to display in our windows for everyone to enjoy.

Mini-Marathon - reminder

Tomorrow, **13th October** from 8.45 am, we are holding a Mini-Marathon event to raise some much needed funds for our school and for Cancer Research. Parents are welcome to come along and watch/encourage the children who take part.

We have requested a £2.00 entry fee per child but please do feel free to put a little extra into the pot if you can - every little helps! Children **must wear trainers** but are also invited to wear a costume if they wish to do so. Please remember to bring school uniform to change into after the event.

Year 6 National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP)

On Thursday, **13th October** the School Nurses will be carry out height and weight measurements on Year 6 pupils. A letter was sent to parents via ParentMail on 26th September giving details of the programme.

Bag2School - reminder

Don't forget to bag up all those unwanted clothes for our Bag2School collection on Friday 14th October. We have spare bags if you need them or black sacks are also acceptable. Bags are to be left outside the Methodist Church by 9.00 am on Friday morning - please do not leave bags overnight. **Remember - the more bags collected the more money the school receives.**

Year 3&4 Workshop

On Wednesday 19th October Magical Story Elves will be delivering a workshop to the children in Year 3&4. This is an enrichment opportunity linked to Science. Further details will be sent out to Parents of Year 3&4 children via ParentMail later this week.

Art Club

On behalf of the Art Club provider, we apologise for yesterday's missed session. Parents will be contacted by them directly regarding refunds of missed sessions.

The Club will be running again next half term. Please follow the link to their flyer for booking details: <https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/school-clubs-1>

Secondary Admissions reminder

The application process for Secondary school places (September 2023) is now open and closes on **31st October, 2022**. Information leaflets about the process were sent home in July. A copy of the Moving On leaflet can be found on our website (link below) or collected at the Meet the Teacher/Secondary Transfer meeting tomorrow <https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/parent-information>

The online application system can be accessed via www.hertsdirect.org/admissions

Community

Nature Club

We have been sent information about a local nature club for primary school children (Deep in Nature) being run over the October half term break. To find out more information please follow the link to the club website at:

<https://deepinnature.co.uk/classes-and-workshops>