



# Flamstead Village School

## Communication - message from Mrs Geoghegan

Can I firstly say that I am always happy to talk with parents about your children. It is really important that school and home work together and it is lovely getting to know you all.

However, there will be opportunity for parents to talk to their child/ren's teachers just before half term at the Parent Consultation sessions (see dates at the end of this newsletter).

Teachers know the children well and will therefore be able to tell you how they are settling into the new school academic year.

## Message of Condolence

We at Flamstead School were sad to hear of the recent passing of one of our past teachers, Daphne Parry. Many local residents will remember her either as one of her pupils, or from her presence in our community. Our condolences go to her husband Glynn who also worked at the school as Caretaker.

## Bright Stars 23.09.22

Nursery	Phoebe	<i>For always contributing in phonics learning.</i>
Reception	Alfie	<i>For his persistent effort in phonics and maths learning.</i>
Year 1	Olivia	<i>For making amazing choices and doing lovely learning on her table.</i>
Year 2	Benji	<i>For putting in a huge effort with his writing and reading so far this year.</i>
Year 3	Isabella	<i>For perseverance and taking care with her work.</i>
Year 4	Harry	<i>For being a great role model and working hard.</i>
Year 5	Millie	<i>For recording her maths learning in a clear and accurate way.</i>
Year 6	Tyger	<i>For contributing well in class discussions.</i>

## Harvest reminder

Our Harvest celebration is taking place in Flamstead Church this **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September**.

**Children should arrive at 8.45 am to be registered. Teachers will be waiting in the graveyard for them - please take your child to them.**

After registration they will go into church with their class. When all the children are seated, Mrs. Geoghegan will then invite parents to come into the church and sit in the remaining available seats. Everyone is welcome, however please be prepared that some parents may have to stand.

## Nasal Flu Vaccinations Years Reception to 6

Nasal flu vaccinations are taking place next Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Parents were sent Consent forms via ParentMail on Monday. These need to be completed, **even if you do not give consent**.

## James Marshall Foundation information

We have this week been visited by representatives from the James Marshall Foundation who are able to offer some financial support to under 25 year olds living in local villages. This support covers a wide variety of expenses incurred on a child's life through education into work. Eligibility is not limited to those who are currently receiving extra support so please do have a look at their leaflet which has been uploaded to our website at

<https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/parent-information>

### Parent Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes from last week's Parent Council meeting will be uploaded to our website once they are received.

### Jeans for Genes

Thank you to everyone who supported our Jeans for Genes dress down day event last Friday. We raised an amazing **£146.00** for our chosen causes.

### Public Health Nursing

The PHN Autumn newsletter has been uploaded to our website at <https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/parent-information>

### Early Years Update

This week the children have been very excited practising for our Harvest festival. They walked very sensibly to the church with the school today and are looking forward to showing all the adults our song. We have also been making up our own stories before home time, the children have had some wonderful ideas!

Next week: We will continue to learn our Goldilocks story and learn actions to retell our story.

### Proposed Year 3&4 Summer Residential

We have booked a short residential trip for our Year 3&4 pupils from 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023 through Caldecotte Xperience (Milton Keynes). Full information about this trip will be sent out to Year 3&4 parents over the next few weeks.

### KS2 - School Lunch payments

We are aware that parents may be wondering why KS2 lunch bills have not yet been sent out this half term. We are currently looking at changing the platform we use for the payment of school lunches which will give parents the facility to 'top up' their lunch accounts when prompted. Once this has been set up, we will send out full joining details. We will still accept cash and cheques however online payments are preferred.

### ParentMail

We apologise for the teething troubles we have experienced with registering our new parents this year and thank you for your patience whilst we were resolving this issue.

All parents who are currently registered on our system will have received an email notification via the app advising them that this newsletter had been uploaded to our website. If you did not receive this notification or you would like another parent added, please let the school office know so that we can ensure our records are up to date.

### Friends of Flamstead School News

Dear Parents,

**The FOFS team are starting to plan Fireworks night and we are in need of some help!**

Fireworks night is our biggest fundraiser of the year and the more help we have the easier it is to put on. If you can lend a hand with any task, however small, please can you drop a Whatsapp to Anna on 07824 998072. You'll be playing a vital part in raising funds to enrich school life for all our kids.

Many thanks

The FOFS Team (Anna, Nick, Tania and Sarah)



**Upcoming events in October for your diaries - detailed information will be given in future newsletters**

**4<sup>th</sup>** - Reception - Year 6 nasal flu vaccinations

**11<sup>th</sup>** - Year 6 Tag Rugby Festival (information and consent forms will be sent out via ParentMail later this week to those pupils who have been selected to take part)

**13<sup>th</sup>** - Whole school Mini Marathon

**13<sup>th</sup>** - EYFS Stay and Play

**13<sup>th</sup>** - Open Classrooms

**13<sup>th</sup>** - Year 6 Height and Weight Check

**14<sup>th</sup>** - Bag2School Collection Day

**18<sup>th</sup>** - Parent Consultations - Session 1

**20<sup>th</sup>** - Parent Consultations - Session 2