

This Week's News!

Friday 18th October 2024

Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families,

It was another busy week in school. The week started with our NSPCC assemblies and activities. The children hopefully all now know the Child Line number, and the actions to go with it to help them remember. Children in Y2, Y3, Y5, and Y6 will have follow up workshops next week.

Another highlight of the week was our trip on Thursday to the Pumpkin Farm. It was a beautiful day and the children all loved searching for their pumpkins, digging for worms, pumpkin carving and painting. They also enjoyed a super ride on the tractor! We thank Farmer Ian at the Pop Up Farm for such a great trip. The High Sherriff also visited the farm and the children enjoyed meeting her in the morning. I hope you all managed to carry your pumpkins home...some of the children chose very large ones!

It was lovely to see so many of you at Parents Evening on Thursday night. I hope you found the evening informative and we look forward to seeing parents again on Monday night for our second evening of consultations.

Children in the Early Years have been finding out about objects that are heavy and light this week using the balancing scales and they have also enjoyed their art work both inside and outside making pictures out of shapes. They also found out about Alma Thomas for Black History Month.

In Key Stage One Maple Class enjoyed making reflection art out of natural materials this week. In PE they were learning how to skip and land safely with bended knees and in Science, they explored what animals, including humans, need to survive. They discovered they needed food, water and oxygen ... even fish need these things and they take on oxygen through their gills.

In KS2 Chestnut Class started the week with a practical investigation of the digestive system. I am sure you will have heard all about it! In English they have started a new learning unit on persuasive writing and in Maths they are looking at formal written subtraction. They have also have been learning about Lowry in Art and have finished their industrial landscape showing background, mid-ground and foreground. In Geography they created volcanoes ready for 'eruptions' next week!

Bonsai created their own artwork this week inspired by the poem 'In Flanders Fields' and were excited to spot poppies in the fields of the Pop-up Farm. In English they drafted and published their short narratives to add to the class book 'Things that go bump in the night'. Their favourite activity of the week has to be their visit to the Farm where they enjoyed playing on the hay bales and the tractor ride back to school.

We have a short week next week with our two INSET days on Thursday and Friday. Please have an enjoyable weekend and I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mrs Walton-Jones

Headteacher

October Reminders

21st—Parents Evening

21st—NSPCC workshops Y2,5,6

22nd —Y5/6 girls Tag Rugby

23rd—Break The Rules Day

24th—INSET

25th INSET

Followed by our Half Term

Break.

Photos of the week!



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

SECONDARY ADMISSIONS—September 2024

Please be aware that the deadline for applications to secondary and upper schools is fast approaching.

Parents will need to make an application online or on paper by the closing date of **Thursday 31st October 2024**. *As this date falls in the October half term*, we would recommend that parents complete it by **Wednesday 23rd October**, so that if there are any queries, they can be dealt with by the Admissions Team before the break.

Parents should apply online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

A full list of important dates for Secondary Admissions can be found at :-

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/secondary-and-upper-schools/important-dates-secondary-school-admissions.aspx>

PRIMARY ADMISSIONS—September 2024

The online system for parents to apply for a Reception place opens on **Friday 1st November 2024**. Please follow the link below to see a full list of important dates for the Primary Admissions Process.

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/school-admissions/primary-junior-and-middle-schools/important-dates-primary-junior-and-middle-school-admissions.aspx#>

Please can we remind all parents of Nursery children who will be moving into Reception in September that they **still have to apply for a Reception place at Flamstead Village School via the Herts County Council Schools Admission Process.**

School Clubs

Please follow the link below if you would like your child to register for next half term's Spatchcooks Cookery Club which runs on Wednesdays after school

<https://bookwhen.com/spatchcooks/e/ev-s684-20241106151500>

For full information and booking details about next half term's Art Club which runs on Tuesdays, please follow the link to our website below.

Remember we have a new Club starting after Half term on Thursday's. Wandering Wild is a nature club packed with fun activities. To Book on please contact changingleavesnature@outlook.com

All club information can be found on our website at:

<https://www.flamsteadjmi.herts.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Clubs&pid=27>



Bright Stars



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Nursery	Marlee	For her wonderful behaviour choices while on our school trip. Marlee made sure to make safe choices and was very polite to all adults at the farm.
Reception	Reggie	For his perseverance in his letter recognition and fine motor skills activities. Reggie always gives everything a go and has a wonderful attitude to learning.
Year 1	Daisy	For trying her best with her Maths both at school and at home.
Year 2	Otto	For wonderful writing and using conjunctions in English.
Year 3	Harrison	For his knowledge in our Geography learning on volcanoes this term including technical vocabulary.
Year 4	Darcy	For his perseverance in Maths and multiplication and for being a great role model.
Year 5	Isabella	For her dedication and focus when editing and publishing her short narrative.
Year 6	Evie	For her effort and attention to detail when editing and publishing her short narrative.

Attendance this week

TTRS and Numbots

Year Group	w/b 14th October
Nursery	95%
Reception	90%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	99%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	99%
Well done to Year 1!	

Year Group	Who impressed us ?	Percentage of Children online
Nursery	Penny	17%
Reception	Frankie	43%
Year 1	Austin	27%
Year 2	-	55%
Year 3	Evie	93%
Year 4	Ava	82%
Year 5	William	36%
Year 6	Dillon	53%
		

FOFS News!

Preparations for the Fireworks Display are well underway.

FOFS would be very grateful if anyone could spare a little bit of time from 4.45pm until 7pm to be a marshal at the fireworks.

Please contact the school office or speak directly to Christy Lee if you think you could offer your help.

Many thanks



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Adults: £7.50
Children Under 16: £4.50
Children Under 3: FREE
Family Ticket: £22.00



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Electric Umbrella



Come and join Electric Umbrella as their team of professional musicians and learning disabled superstars deliver an hour of music, in a show for all the family, guaranteed to leave a lasting memory.

- Date: **Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th October**
- Location: **Electric Umbrella Arena, The Marlowes Centre, Hemel Hempstead, HP1 1LA**
 - Time: **2pm – 3pm**
- Entry: **£5 per person (all ages) or £15 for Family of 4 (maximum 2 adults)**

Discover Bucks Museum

Family crafts and activities running every day throughout October half term:

- 🎃 Monday 28th- Learn how mummies were made in Ancient Egypt by making your very own
- 👻 Tuesday 29th- Try out some weird and wonderful experiments with our Spooky Science workshop
- 🪄 Wednesday 30th- Sculpt a diya out of clay for Diwali, the Festival of Light
- 👻 Thursday 31st- Trick or Treat in the oldest building in Aylesbury with our interactive trail
- 🎃 Friday 1st- Write your very own spooky story with our writing workshop or create a seasonal collage to take home
- 👻 Saturday 2nd- Join us for spooky Halloween storytelling with Terrie Howey, The Red Phoenix: get ready for ghosts, ghouls and things that go bump in the night!

Try out our free Halloween crafts and don't forget to wear your costume for a free museum trail and badge.

<https://www.discoverbucksmuseum.org/>

Upcoming Dates—Autumn Term 2024

Autumn Term 2024		
Parents Evening	21 st October	3.30 – 5.30pm
NSPCC workshops for Y2, Y5, Y6	21 st October	
Y5 and Y6 tag Rugby festival (girls only)	22nd October	11.30am—3.00pm
Break The Rules Day—FOFS fundraiser	23 rd October	
INSET Day (staff only in school)	24 th October	
INSET Day (staff only in school)	25 th October	
Beginning of Half Term week	28 th October	
Last date to apply for secondary school place	31st October	
Applications for Primary School September 2025	1 st November	
Back to school	4 th November	
Samba Bamba Music Workshops (whole school)	5 th November	
Non Uniform —Bring gifts for the North Pole Shop	8th November	
FOFS Firework display	9th November	
Anti-Bullying Week ‘Choose Respect’	11 th November	
Remembrance Day	11th November	
Chestnut Class Trip to Hazzard Alley	11th November	
Individual school photos	12 th November	
World Kindness Day	13 th November	
Children in Need Day	15 th November	
UK Parliament Week	18 th November	
Y6 height and weight checks	20th November	
Christmas visit with Santa at St Leonard’s —FOFS	7th December	
Autumn Term Assessment Week	9 th December	-
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner Day	12 th December	
North Pole Shop	12th December	
FOFS Christmas Disco	13th December	
EYFS / KS1 Dress Rehearsal (Pre-schools invited)	16 th December	9.30am
EYFS / KS1 Performance (parents)	17 th December	9.30am
Christmas Service At St Leonard’s Church (parents)	17 th December	2.30pm
EYFS / KS1 Performance (parents)	18 th December	4.00pm
Party Day	19 th December	PM
Autumn term ends at 1.30pm	20 th December	1.30pm

These dates are open to changes and will be added to as the term progresses.

Upcoming Dates—Spring Term 2025

Spring Term 2025		
Back to school	6 th January	
Y6 SATs meeting	13 th January	2.50pm
Y4 MTC meeting	14 th January	2.50pm
Y1 Phonic Check meeting	15 th January	2.50pm
Reception Profile Meeting	16 th January	2.50pm
Young Voices to O2	23 rd January	
Chinese New Year	29th January	
Children’s Mental Health Week	3 rd February	
Electric Umbrella	3rd February	
Pancake Flip (FOFS)	4th February	
Parents Evening	10 th February	3.30 – 5.30pm
Safer Internet Day	11th February	
Parents Evening	12 th February	5.00 -7.30pm
INSET Day (staff only in school)	14 th February	
February Half Term	17 th February	
Back to school	24 th February	
Book Fair	28 th February–5 th March	
Ramadan Begins	28th February	
Secondary Allocation Day	3 rd March	
World Book Day—Dress as your favourite book character	6 th March	
British Science Week begins	7th March	
KS2 Graffiti workshops at ST Leonard's Church	10th March	
KS2 Graffiti workshops at ST Leonard's Church	11th March	
Space Dome in school	12th March	
Red Nose Day	21 st March	
Spring Term Assessment Week	24 th March	
National Skipping Day – workshops for all pupils	28 th March	
Easter Bonnet Parade	1 st April	
Fish and Chip Quiz Night (FOFS)	3rd April	
Break for Easter holidays at 1.30pm	4th April	1.30pm

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Upcoming Dates—Summer Term 2025

Summer Term		
Easter Monday (Bank Holiday—school closed)	21st April	
Summer Term starts	22nd April	
Earth Day	22 nd April	
Bank Holiday (school closed)	5 th May	
Occasional day (school closed)	6 th May	
Scavenger Hunt (FOFS)	11th May	
Year Six SATs week	12 th May	
Y5 / Y6 Residential	21 st – 23 rd May	
May Half Term	26 ^h May	
Back to School	2 nd June	
MTC checks for Y4 (2 weeks)	2 nd June	
Class Photo Day	4th June	
Y1 Phonics Check week	9 th June	
Sky Arts Week and National School Sports Week	16 th June	
ActivkidsUK assembly and fundraiser	17 th June	
Flamstead's Got Talent	19 th June	
Sports Day and picnic	20 th June	
Swimming lessons for all pupils (3 weeks)	30 th June	
Summer Term Assessment Week	30 th June	
Nursery / Reception Home visits	1 st July	
Nursery / Reception Home visits	2nd July	
New Nursery and Reception Stay and Play	3rd July	9.00 – 9.45am
Open Evening and Arts Fest Display	9 th July	3.15 – 5.00pm
Herts Secondary Transition Day	10 th July	
Class Swap day (New Reception children to stay for lunch)	10 th July	
Reports Home	11 th July	
KS2 Dress Rehearsal (school to watch)	14 th July	9.30
KS2 Afternoon Performance (Parents)	15 th July	3.30
KS2 Evening Dress Performance (Parents)	16 th July	6.30pm
Y6 Leavers Assembly (Parents)	23rd July	9.00am
Summer Holidays being at 1.30pm	24th July	1.30pm

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Flamstead
VILLAGE SCHOOL

FLAMSTEAD VILLAGE FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Flamstead Village School

Saturday 9th November

gates open 5.30pm, fireworks start at 6.30pm

BBQ BAR TOYS CAKES

Tickets available from The Village Store, on the door, or online

flamsteadfireworks.uk



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your tickets



Adults: £7.50
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& Roald Dahl Children's Gallery

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October Half-Term

26 October - 3 November 2024

Join us this October half-term for a fun-filled family-friendly week of arts and crafts topped off with a spooky family Halloween day on Saturday.

Discover more at discoverbucksmuseum.org
or scan the QR code



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26 October - 3 November

- Explore our sensory dark den
- Add to our Halloween mural in our Tudor room
- Spot the ten Halloween monsters hidden in the museum

Monday 28 October - Modroc Mummies (5-11yrs)

Tuesday 29 October - Spooky Science (5-11yrs)

Wednesday 30 October - Let's Celebrate: Diwali Diyas (5-11yrs)

Thursday 31 October - Trick or treat in the oldest building in Aylesbury! Don't forget to dress to impress! (3-11yrs)

Friday 1 November - Young Creatives: Halloween Writing (7-13yrs) & Autumn Collage (3-11yrs)

Saturday 2 November - Spooky Stories & Crafts (3-11yrs)

Show off your best Halloween costumes, enjoy spooky stories and get crafty with our seasonal crafts.

Prices range from £3 - £5 per participant.

Make a day of it and visit the **Roald Dahl Children's Gallery** and the rest of the Museum including the **May The Toys Be With You** exhibition while you're here. We're now open Sundays 12pm - 4pm as well.



May The Toys Be With You on until 3 November 2024
From a galaxy far, far away comes a stellar exhibition of vintage Star Wars toys and original movie posters. A must-see for Star Wars fans of all ages.

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