



This Week's News!

Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents / Carers and Flamstead Families

Christmas preparation is well and truly underway in school. It has been lovely to hear the children singing their songs and for the children EYFS and KS1 to be practising their Christmas play.

Cherry Tree class were cooking in the Mud Kitchen this week. The children made the Mud Kitchen smell of Christmas with all the cinnamon. They explored cutting, mashing and weighing with fruits and vegetables along with some delicious smelling herbs and spices. Maple Class having been finding lots of information about bats as part of their English unit. Chestnut class enjoyed their trip to St Albans Cathedral this week to enrich their learning of the Romans in History. They particularly enjoyed role-playing and making their own Roman mosaic. Bonsai class have been enjoying their new English text and have been discussing what they are thankful for as America celebrates Thanksgiving this week.

Unfortunately there has been quite a few children off of school this week with various illnesses. We hope everyone is starting to feel a little better. Please remember that if your child has a slight cold they can still come into school and we will, of course, contact you should they become unwell during the school day. Lastly, thank you for FOFS who have made the outside of our school look very festive with the addition of the Christmas tree outside the school office and the decorations outside the classrooms. Thank you also to Mrs McCall for helping the children make the decorations for our tree for the Christmas Tree Festival at the Methodist Church next week. With our tree for the school hall should be arriving soon too! The festive period is certainly in full swing!

Mrs J Walton-Jones

Headteacher



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY – VIEWING CARDS



Following Pret-a-Portrait's recent visit to take school photographs, a viewing card explaining how you can view and order pictures was sent home with pupils on Tuesday.

Please ask your children to give it to you as soon as possible so you have a chance to order any pictures you would like at a discounted price before the **Early Bird Deadline 30/11/2023**

If for any reason your viewing doesn't make it to you in the next few days, please contact **Pret-a-Portrait** directly on 0800 021 7626 or customerservice@pret-a-portrait.net

Bright Stars! Friday 24th November

Nursery	Reggie	For his wonderful writing this week in both Phonics and Maths! Reggie joined in so well with phonic sessions this week and showed great enthusiasm for learning.
Reception	Ella	For her fantastic handwriting and sentence writing this week during Phonics. Ella has been remembering her finger spaces and full stops when writing sentences.
Year 1	Elsie	For brilliant effort and contributions in Maths .
Year 2	Mia	For creating a colourful and informative pictogram in Geography showing weather patterns and always taking pride in her learning.
Year 3	Lewis	For continued effort in all subjects and fantastic improvement in his reading skills.
Year 4	Marion	For great enthusiasm in role play and a creative roman mosaic on our class trip.
Year 5	Daniel	For his musical performance in our RE lessons.
Year 6	Dylan	For his warning poster in English

FOFS News

Christmas Decoration Competition!

This week, FOFS are sending home a Christmas bauble template in the children's bags. If they'd like to take part in the decoration competition, have them follow these steps:

Decorate the bauble with your best Christmas design, then cut it out!
Write your name and year group on the back and return it to school on
Friday December 1st.

The best design from each year will win a **prize!**

FOFS will be using the baubles to decorate the school throughout the Christmas period.



Santa's visit to Flamstead!

We hear from the Elves that Santa will be visiting Flamstead again on the **14th of December** from **5pm**. He pretends to break down but we think he just loves visiting our wonderful village!

FOFS will be running Mince pie and Mulled Wine stations that evening in locations around the village, including the Three Blackbirds, College Close and Trowley Bottom. So come along, enjoy some delicious festive treats, and meet Santa himself!

All money raised will be split equally between FOFS and Flamstead Preschool.

Parentkind Webinars

FOFS is a member of Parentkind, a membership association for PTA's and 'Friends Of' groups. Because of this, all parents at our school are eligible to take part in their free Parent Webinars.

You can check out what's on offer on the poster in Community News, and find more information via this link: <https://is.gd/F7C3xm>

Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 20/11/23
Nursery	65%
Reception	57%
Year 1	81%
Year 2	83%
Year 3	85%
Year 4	86%
Year 5	93%
Year 6	94%

Keep trying to get those figures over 96% everyone!

Keeping Safe Updates

Let's talk about... **SPEED**

“Slow traffic makes it safer for me to walk or cycle to school”

Every day, six children are killed or seriously injured on UK roads

25% of parents say traffic is too fast for their children to walk or cycle to school*

Whoever you are, however you travel, we need to talk about speed.

Join the conversation
www.brake.org.uk/RoadSafetyWeek
 #RoadSafetyWeek

*Brake (2023) www.brake.org.uk/what-do-parents-think-about-their-childrens-journeys-to-school

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Brake

ARVAL

DHL

AUTOGLASS

Thank you FOFS for our beautiful new chairs

The children were delighted with the new chairs this week. They are study and comfortable and look great. The latest chairs now complete the chair refurbishment for all classrooms and are a smart addition to our school.



Book a place on this SEND Information Fayre

Dacorum Families SEND Information Fayre

DSPLB are pleased to announce our forth Dacorum Families SEND Information Fayre!

Thursday 7th December 2023
 10am-12pm
 at Bennetts End Community Centre
 Gatecroft, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 9LZ

The Information Fayre will include local provider information stands, activities for children & refreshments
 Please register your attendance via the booking link below and you are welcome to drop in any time between 10am-12pm.

Booking link: <https://dsplbseinfayre071223.eventbrite.co.uk>
 (Registration closes on 29th November 2023)

Local Provider Information Stands at Dacorum Families SEND Information Fayre: 07-12-2023, 10am-12pm at Bennetts End Community Centre

- Beehive Bodies
- Berkhamsted Raiders Football Club
- Careers in Hertfordshire
- Childrens Against Poverty (CAP)
- Children & Young People (CYP) Therapies
- Dacorum Family Services North & East
- DS Achieve
- Gade/Wings Langley Schools Family Support
- Hertfordshire Mind Network (Mental Health Charity) and MIND Talking Therapies
- Hertfordshire SENDASS
- Herts Disability Sports Foundation
- Herts Mover Cafe (Herts Mind Network)
- Herts Parent Carer Involvement
- Herts Sport and Physical Activity Partnership
- Inspireall Family Centres - Dacorum
- Integrated Services for Learning/ Graduated Response/ Ask Help
- Mental Health Support Team (MHST) Dacorum
- Play4all - a charity supporting children with physical delays and disabilities, and their families, in Hertfordshire.
- Potential Kids
- Public Health Nursing Service 0 - 5 years: Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust SEND Team
- SEND SAS Speech Language, Communication and Autism Advisory Team
- Services for Young People
- SPACE Hertfordshire
- Supporting Links
- The ADD-verse ADHD and Autism Trust
- The Hertfordshire SEND Local Offer website
- Unlocking Children's Potential
- Waterways Experiences
- Watford Mencap
- withYOUth (Herts Mind Network)
- Woodfield school
- Delivering Special Provision Locally (DSPLB)

This event is organised and funded by www.dsplb.co.uk for Dacorum SEND Families.

30 Local services attending (see photo 2 for a list of services)
 Activities for children with a chance to win a goodie bag
 5 x £25 Amazon vouchers to giveaway
 Parent/Carer Coffee & Chat area
 Free Hot & Cold refreshments plus snacks for adults and children

[Click Here For Facebook Post](#)

[Click Here For Instagram Post](#)

[Click Here for Eventbrite Booking Link](#)

(registration closes next Wednesday 29th November)

Upcoming dates for your diaries!

Date	Time	Event
01.02.23	AM	Y1 and Y2 sense workshop in school
02.12.23	Afternoon	Tree Festival at the Methodist Church
04.12.23	9.00–12.00	Y6 Health questionnaires
06.12.23	-	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
08.12.23	4.00–5.30	KS1 School Disco
08.12.23	5.45–7.15	KS2 School Disco
12.12.23	9.30	EYFS / KS1 Christmas Production
13.12.23	4.00	EYFS / KS1 Christmas Production
14.12.23	AM	North Pole Shop - FOFS
14.12.23	PM	Santa's Sleigh visits the village at 5pm
15.12.23	2.30	Christmas service at St Leonards Church
19.12.23	-	Panto and Party Day
20.12.23	1.30	End Of Term
04.01.24	-	Occasional Day—school closed
05.01.24	-	INSET Day—School Closed to pupils
08.01.24	-	Spring terms begins - Welcome back everyone
09.01.24	-	Reception height and weight checks
30.01.24	All day/ evening	Young Voices at the O2 arena
08.02,24	10,00	Electric Umbrella visit
12.02.24	3.30–5.30	Parents Evening
13.02.24	5.00–7.30	Parents Evening
13.02.24	-	FOFS Pancake Flip
16.02,24	-	Half term begins

Please put these into your diaries!

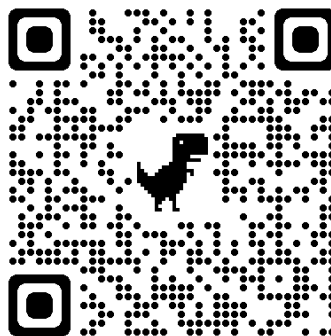
Additional dates for the rest of the academic year are on the school website.

Numbots and TTRS Certificates

Well done to the following children who had **AMAZING** scores this week. Well done Cordelia, Evie, Ava, William, Dillon and Millie. Also congratulations to Y3 being the class who completed the most time on TTRS this week.

Community News and Events

Click on the QR code below for the latest Winter edition of 'Raring 2Go'



Flamstead Village Christingle

Sun Nov 26th 3pm at St Leonards

Begin the journey towards Christmas with
the light of the Christingle

Presented by St Leonards and Trowley Hill
Methodists, with support from the Guides

Followed by hotdogs, hot chocolate and
doughnuts



Navigating parenthood PARENTKIND WEBINARS



How to exercise more without really trying
24-01-2024 | 7.30 - 8.15pm



An introduction to autism
06-03-2024 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



A nutritionist's guide to dealing with fussy eating
26-01-2024 | 12.30 - 1.30pm



Stress management
07-05-2024 | 10.00 - 11.00am



Helping your child achieve in school
30-01-2024 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Neurodiversity in children matters - behaviour management for SEN children
11-05-2024 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Building resilience
06-02-2024 | 10.00 - 11.00am



Supporting your child's mental health
20-05-2024 | 7.30 - 8.30pm



Helping your child succeed in KS1 English
09-02-2024 | 12.30 - 1.30pm



Helping your child succeed in KS2 English
22-05-2024 | 12.30 - 1.30pm



Keeping your child safe online
28-02-2024 | 7.30 - 8.30pm

Father Christmas is coming to Flamstead

14/12/23

Hello Flamstead

sleigh bells from 5pm

M = Mulled wine and Mince Pies

Friends of Flamstead School

Christmas Party

Entrance
£1

08/12/
2023



Drinks

Live DJ

Food

Guest appearance

Each child receives a gift

Flamstead School

KS1 4pm - 5.30pm KS2 5.45pm - 7.15pm

Please give £1 to the school office by Monday 4th December.
Forms will be coming home to return please.

Adults must accompany children from Nursery please

Kindly supported by Friends of Flamstead School.



Dacorum Local Plan 2024 to 2040 Revised Strategy for Growth Consultation



The consultation opens at:

Midday on 30 October 2023
and closes at 11.59pm on 11 December 2023

To take part in the consultation online,
and for more information, please go to:
letstalk.dacorum.gov.uk

Email: strategic.planning@dacorum.gov.uk

Phone: 01442 228000 and ask for Strategic Planning



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