



This Week's News

Friday 13th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a busy week in school with many memorable activities and events. Our ducklings have grown quickly and we have enjoyed another week of having them in school. The weather has been very hot towards the end of this week. Please remember to send your child in with a water bottle and sun hat each day, regardless of the weather in the morning. Applying all day sunscreen is also helpful.

In Cherry Class this week the children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring new topics in their Maths lessons. In Reception, they have begun focusing on numbers 10–20, with an emphasis on understanding the units within these numbers. This marks an important step in building their foundation knowledge of place value. On Tuesday, the whole class also took part in an exciting seaside workshop with Maple Class. They travelled back in time to the Victorian era, where the children created their own seaside souvenirs, worked on a pier, and even took turns “visiting” the seaside! It was a fantastic, hands-on experience that brought history to life.

Maple Class also loved sharing their Seaside Workshop with their Cherry Class friends on Tuesday, exploring an old fashioned seaside experience. They made cork boats, shell boxes, pop up puppets and hook-a-ducks. They counted coins in the bank and practised their serving skills in the cafe before heading onto the steam train, through the playground and back onto Flamstead Pier for an afternoon of games and excitement, finished off with a Punch and Judy Show. Thank you to all the parent helpers from each class who helped to make the day a success. They came right back to the modern day, learning how to sequence commands using Scratch Jr in Computing. In English, they have been delving into poetic language using alliteration and expanded noun phrases. Year One made the most of the good weather and took their Maths learning outside to explore volume with water and different sized containers.

Chestnut Class have had an exciting week too. They thoroughly enjoyed making and decorating their cupcakes as part of their new DT unit of work. Year 4 really did well today in their K'nex Challenge, congratulations to Alice and Sasha who won the challenge in their class. The class have now finished their Tudor topic and will start their new Geography topic next week. They are still full of smiles and justifiably proud of their fabulous class assembly on Thursday. The Year 4 children also completed their MTC checks this week, well done to them all for their efforts in learning their times tables. Bonsai Class have had another busy week with class assembly practice and a wonderful class assembly on Friday, the last class assembly for our Year 6 children! The K'nex workshop was very enjoyable and congratulations to Jacob and Tristan who won the challenge. They have also started to read through the KS2 summer musical. The children are eager to put on a showstopper - watch this space. On Wednesday, Year 6 children who will be transitioning to Roundwood had an extra visit where they met some of their new teachers including their new Head of Year.

Please remember sunhats next week each and everyday. Have a lovely weekend in the sun.

Best wishes

Jacqui Walton-Jones

Headteacher

Summer Term Dates coming up

- 16th June—Arts Week
- 16th June—Electric Umbrella Workshops
- 17th June -Activ Kids Olympian in -Lele Nairne
- 19th June—Flamstead's Got Talent
- 20th June—Sports Day
- 24th June—Bonsai Class trip
- 26th June- Cherry Class Assembly
- 26th June—Y5 Art workshop
- 26th—Chestnut Class Trip
- 30th June—Whole school Swimming begins
- 30th June—Assessment week
- 2nd July—New EYFS home visits
- 3rd July—EYFS Stay and Play session
- 9th July - Open Evening and Arts Displays
- 9th July— Parent Council Uniform Sale
- 10th July—Transition Day
- 11th July—Reports home



Photos of the Week



Cherry Class enjoying lots of learning this week.



Outdoor Maths in Maple!

Maple Class enjoying their seaside workshop



Year 4 and Year 5 K'nex Workshops



Transition Workshops

There is a parenting workshop being offered to parents/carers across the whole DFS North & East Partnership area to support transition into secondary school. Please see the attached flyer.

"Top Tips for Transition to Secondary School" - this workshop will be held **online via MS Teams** on **Wednesday 18th June, 10.00-11.30**



Please remember to bring your sponsorship forms back on Monday so your child can complete the circuit challenge and meet Judoka Lele Nairne when she visits on Tuesday please.



FREE SCHOOL MEALS INFORMATION

The Department for Education recently announced that, from 1 April 2025, the rule protecting pupils' free school meal entitlement will end for some.

That means Hertfordshire County Council (HCC) will regularly check pupils' eligibility to ensure they can still get free school meals. If a pupil is no longer eligible, their free school meals will end from this point.

Applications approved before 1 April 2025 will remain eligible until the pupil finishes their current phase of schooling ie the end of Year 6 (when primary ends).

Once a pupil moves to their new school phase, HCC will regularly check that the pupil is still eligible for free school meals. Parents with pupils currently in year 2 moving to year 3 will need to reapply for the new academic year. To make an application visit :

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free lunch at school.

Children who are currently in **Year 2 and moving up to Year 3** in September 2025 will **no longer be entitled** to **Universal Free School Meals.**

Bright Stars - Friday 13th June 2025

Nursery	Millie	For her super independent writing of lots of words such as 'ladybird' and 'butterfly'.
Reception	Frankie	For being consistently respectful and responsible, keeping the classroom tidy and ready to use.
Year 1	Cordelia	For consistently showing role model behaviour, friendly and respectful, both in class and on the playground.
Year 2	Otto	For creating such a detailed and well thought out aerial plan of your classroom in Geography.
Year 3	Henry	For his excellent effort in learning his lines and participating so well in the class assembly.
Year 4	Oscar	For settling into his new class and his new school and participating in his class assembly so well. Welcome Oscar!
Year 5	Sidni	For her positive attitude towards our class assembly rehearsals and her constant willingness to help others.
Year 6	Evie	For her dedication to the class assembly, writing and typing up her script in her own time after school.

Attendance this week

Year Group	w/b 9th June
Nursery	95%
Reception	100%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	98%
Year 5	94%
Year 6	92%

Well done Reception !

Please remember not to take holidays in school term time.

TTRS and Numbots

Year Group	Who impressed us ?	Percentage of Children online
Nursery	Amelia	7%
Reception	Axel	43%
Year 1	Xander	53%
Year 2	George & Leo	38%
Year 3	Louie	93%
Year 4	Lilly	100%
Year 5	Lottie	8%
Year 6	Evie	25%

Please remember...

Help your child log on each week.



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SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 26th June 2025

*For Parent and Carers of Children
with SEN or Disabilities*

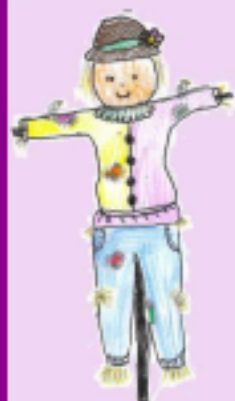
At the Warners End Community Centre
Northridge Way, Hemel Hempstead
HP1 3QG



Any questions email: dspl@kls.herts.sch.uk



Flamstead



Scarecrow



Festival

Weekend of 15-17 August 2025

Volunteers needed

Can you spare a few hours
over the weekend?

Café



Traffic
management



Programme
sales



Parking



Contact us at

contact@flamsteadscarecrowfestival.co.uk

or phone Janet Bowie on 07703 526382

Remember - all proceeds go to local good causes

Top Tips for Transition to Secondary School

Date	Wednesday 18 th June 2025
Time	10.00-11.30 <i>Session will be held virtually via MS Teams</i>

Is your child moving up to secondary school in September?

A **free** workshop for parents/carers with children moving up to secondary school.

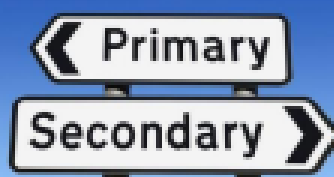
Join us for practical and helpful tips on:

- Communicating with secondary schools
- Developing good organisation skills
- Managing homework
- Staying safe
- Settling in smoothly



For more details and to book please contact:

jnethercoat@hobbshillwood.herts.sch.uk
Tel: 01442 401222 Ext 5
Please include contact details and name of child's school when booking



Strings And Pipes

A Harmonious Dialogue



**Camilla
Finardi**
Mandolin

**Viviane
Loriaut**
Organ
Piano

Friday 27 June 2025

7:30pm

St Leonard's Church

Flamstead



SCAN ME



Email tickets@musicatstleonards.co.uk

Or call Anne Françoise - 07577 530825

Tickets £20 / £10 / Children £5

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WOODLAND TRAIL WALK OR RUN

SATURDAY 21ST JUNE
BERKHAMSTED CASTLE
All proceeds help local people facing crisis

5 MILE
10 MILE

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Supported by:
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BERKHAMSTED CASTLE TRUST

Registered charity number: 1097189

DENS Woodland Trail – Saturday 21st June, Berkhamsted Castle

A scenic community-friendly walk through nature, choose from a 5 or 10-mile walk (or run) through beautiful woodland and countryside. Whether walking as a family, with friends, or enjoying some alone time outdoors, whilst supporting a local charity.

More details at: www.dens.org.uk/trail

It's a great opportunity for everyone to enjoy the outdoors, take on a challenge, and help make a difference in their community.

Every step taken will directly support local people facing homelessness, poverty and social exclusion.