

This Week's News

24th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful sunny week we have had. As the weather warms up, and caps and hats are sensibly being brought into school, please remember to name all items of clothing so they can be returned to your child easily. It is last orders for the very few remaining **Quiz Night tickets** for the FoFs Quiz Night next Thursday; it is always a super night and there are some amazing raffle prizes. Please see the poster below for the links to purchase your tickets and food. **Gardening Club** is commencing next week, it is now changing to Friday lunchtimes. Spaces will be available for ten children from Reception to Year 3 and ten spaces for pupils across Year 4,5 and 6. Please sign up via Arbor.

In order to prevent collisions, we would ask all adults and children to walk around the outside of the building in the same direction when entering and exiting the school grounds. We have also reminded the children to dismount from their bikes and scooters before coming through the school gates. Please do make use of the bike and cycle racks in school; it has been lovely to see so many children coming into the school on their wheels. Please also be mindful of others and refrain from bringing dogs into the school car park and, if they are tied up outside, remember to pop them somewhere where children leaving school do not have to get too close. Many thanks for your support.

Our chicks have grown dramatically this week. Of our 6 lovely hatchings, 4 hens will be remaining with us and will eventually go home with Mrs Golfetto. Two of our chicks who were going to grow into cockerels have relocated back to the farm they came from for a happy life there.

You will notice we have changed the format of the Numbots and TTRS chart in the newsletter to class totals rather than individuals. This week the following children had certificates in our Friday assembly for impressing us with their Maths Home Learning. Well done to Malaya, Delilah, Tami, Leo T, Evie and Darcy S.

This week, Cherry Class have been busy observing our chicks and watching the caterpillars grow. Nursery have been enjoying their focus story of The Three Little Pigs making masks and creating their houses to reenact the story. Reception have been story sequencing and using colourful semantics to write sentences about Jack and the Beanstalk.

This week, Maple Class have been learning in RE how some Muslims worship in mosques as their special place of worship. The children completed Lego challenges to make different features of mosques including minarets and minbars. In Maths, they have been exploring arrays and finding out how multiplication and division can be recorded as part of the same fact family. They had a fun PE lesson on the field this week, practising our throwing skills on the field, using bean bags and hoops to play a game called 'Fruit Salad'. And in Art, they used paper and fabric to create self-portraits, using last week's planning and sketching lesson to help them.

Chestnut Class have been busy across the curriculum. In English, the children wrote their first draft of instructions, focusing on clear sequencing and effective language choices. In Maths, they began exploring perimeter and enjoyed taking their learning outside to apply their understanding in a practical context. In History, they learned about early trade and brought this to life through roleplay, taking on the roles of tradesmen and merchants. In P.E., they continued to develop their tennis skills, showing great enthusiasm and improving their coordination and control.

In English, Bonsai Class have begun their new unit exploring three new books and thoroughly enjoying their unique layout. In Maths, they are expanding their knowledge and understanding of shapes while, in RE, they explored the story of Daniel and the lions' den. In Science, they were working collaboratively as they explored gravity and friction and, in Computing, they created vector drawings. Year 6 parents, please continue to use the SATs books and home learning activities given out last term in the run up to their SATs in 3 weeks.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Walton-Jones
Headteacher

Summer Term Dates 2026

30th Apr—FoFS Fish & Chip Quiz Night—Tickets available now!

1st May—Parent Council meeting—9am

4th May—Bank Holiday—School Closed

4th May—Final payment for residential due for Y5/6

5th May—Y3/4 Tennis event after school—selected pupils

6th May—Cricket Workshops in school—all pupils

11th May—SATs Week for Y6 starts

11th May—Full Governor Body Meeting—5pm

13th May—Cherry Class trip to Kew Gardens

18th May—Bonsai Class Residential Week starts

22nd May—Last Day before Half Term —3.15pm

25th May—Half Term—School Closed

1st June—Back to school

1st June—Y4 Multiplication Times Tables Checks begin

2nd June—Maple Class Trip to Mountfitchet Castle

8th June—Y1 Phonic Checks begin

8th June—Class Photos

12th June—Owl Workshop—All pupils

15th June—Assessment week—YR to Y6

19th June—Cherry Class Assembly 9am—Families welcome

22nd June—Arts and Sports Week

23rd—Athlete Visit and fundraising

24th June—Flamstead's Got Talent

26th June—Sports Day and family picnic 9—12

See our website for more details

Photos from this week

Cherry Class



Maple Class



Chestnut Class



Bonsai Class





Bright Star Awards - Friday 24th April 2026

Nursery	Elsie	For making wonderful story props to help her with her storytelling this week.
Reception	Harper	For her effort in her writing this week. Harper has been focusing on finding her phonic sounds on our sound mats to spell her words.
Year 1	Edie	For being focussed and ready to start her learning when writing a brilliant 'Thank You' letter in her Literacy lesson.
Year 2	Phoebe	For being so helpful, always ready to give a hand to her friends and adults in Maple Class.
Year 3	Ferne	For being a kind and helpful member of the classroom. You always show good manners to others and try really hard be a good friend to others.
Year 4	Louie	For showing resilience and hard work towards your schoolwork, especially during guided reading, English and Maths. We are very proud, keep going!
Year 5	Rafael	For his increased engagement and participation in class discussions. Keep it up!
Year 6	Sidni	For her dedication to learning and challenging herself. Sidni has been requesting additional work on her quest to better herself.



Attendance

Year Group	w/b 20th April
Nursery	94.3%
Reception	96.1%
Year 1	92.6%
Year 2	98.5%
Year 3	98.3%
Year 4	97.8%
Year 5	98.4%
Year 6	97.2%
Make sure you arrive to school on time please	

Home Learning Celebrations



Year Group	Reading	Numbots/ TTRS
Cherry	4	6
Maple	5	1
Chestnut	11	0
Bonsai	6	3
<p>Each week we check who has met the home learning expectations. The new chart above shows how many children in each class met those expectations.</p> <p>Congratulations to Chestnut and Cherry who got 5 minutes extra break time this week!</p> <p>Next week we hope to see higher numbers please.</p>		



FISH 'N CHIPS



QUIZ NIGHT



A FRIENDS OF FLAMSTEAD SCHOOL EVENT



THURSDAY
30TH APRIL 2026

7:30PM FOR 8PM START

FLAMSTEAD VILLAGE SCHOOL



Tickets are £16pp and include **Quiz entry**
and **Fish & Chips** or **Halloumi & Chips**

To book your table (max 8 per team)
scan the QR code or visit:

<https://bit.ly/fishchip2026>

Bar available on the night.
All proceeds will go towards
supporting Flamstead Village School.



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Calling all
Young Entrepreneurs

After the huge success of the last few years, the Scarecrow Committee would like to invite applications from school aged children to run their own stalls.

Items for sale must be made or grown by the seller. We do not accept goods that are being resold. Ideally we ask you to provide your own table. If this is not possible, please let us know and we will try to source one.

Costs are only £5 per table per day.

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