

Start of Term News and Reminders

4th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the start of the Autumn Term. We have so enjoyed seeing all the children again and hearing about their summer adventures. We welcome all our new Nursery and Reception families too. The children have settled in very well and are enjoying exploring Cherry Classroom and making new friends. Welcome to our Flamstead family. As you know, we have expanded our school ground with the removal of the decommissioned swimming pool area. The children have been so sensible during breaktimes and not attempted to go onto the new area. We hope to be developing this area more over the coming year.

Over the summer, some of our children took part in the Summer Reading Challenge run by Hertfordshire Libraries. We congratulated Felicity, Reece, Oscar and Theo in our assembly today with their certificates and they will be awarded a small prize. If your child took part in the challenge please do ask them to bring their certificate into school.

Reminders & information for the coming term:

- Please remember food in school should not contain nuts or nut products—no peanut butter or pesto please
- HCL menu for this half term is on the school website under 'school dinners' [Flamstead Village School - School Dinners](#)
- Medication for pupils need to be given into the School Office—no medication should be in children's bags
- Rise and Shine Breakfast Club can be booked on a day-by-day basis—please book by 4pm the previous day on Arbor
- Milk orders need to be placed directly with [DairyLink UK Ltd](#)
- Please ensure you are reading with your child, each day if possible, and record all reading, including school books or any other texts your child has read, and sign their reading log
- For new parents / carers please ensure you have the Arbor App for all trips, clubs, communications and payments
- Calendar dates are updated & available via the website under 'calendar' [Flamstead Village School - Calendar](#)
- Donations for special days (Jeans 4 Genes, World Mental Health, etc) can be made via Arbor under School Shop Products

Next Week

For 'Meet the Teacher' meetings and the EYFS Coffee morning, please come through the School Office.

Monday

External Clubs start this week

Bonsai Class 'Meet the teacher' meeting at 2.50pm

Bring your wellies back if you have not already done so

Reading Books being sent home

Tuesday

Chestnut Class 'Meet the teacher' meeting at 2.50pm

Music lessons booked through Herts Music Service start

Wednesday

Cherry Class Coffee Morning at 9am

Maple Class 'Meet the teacher' meeting at 2.50pm

Home learning books being sent home (Y1—Y6)

Thursday

Electric Umbrella workshops—Please make payment on Arbor

Teacher led Clubs start the week beginning 14th September

Our Value for this half term is '**Aspiration**' please talk to your child about their own aspirations and dreams at home.

Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Kind regards

Mrs Walton-Jones

Headteacher

Autumn Term Dates 2026

3rd Sep—Term starts

7th Sep—External Clubs start

7th Sep—Reading Books sent home

7th Sep—Bonsai Class 'Meet the teacher' at 2.50 pm

8th Sep—Chestnut Class 'Meet the teacher' at 2.50 pm

9th Sep—EYFS Coffee Morning - 9am

9th Sep—Maple Class 'Meet the teacher' at 2.50pm

9th Sep—Home Learning books sent home

10th Sep—Electric Umbrella Workshops

14th Sep—Teacher-led Clubs start

18th Sep—Jeans for Genes Day—Wear jeans & donate £1

22nd Sep—Nasal Flu Vaccinations YR to Y6

24th Sep—ADPRs sent home for individual pupils

1st Oct—Poetry Day

2nd Oct—Wonder Dome in School for all pupils

5th Oct—Space Week

6th Oct—Bonsai Class Trip to Sky Studios

9th Oct—World Mental Health Day—Wear yellow & donate £1

12th Oct—Parent Consultations 3.30—5.30pm

13th Oct—Y6 Health Check Questionnaires

16th Oct—Bonsai Class Assembly

21st Oct—Parent Consultations 4.30pm—7.30pm

22nd Oct—Harvest - Donations for Luton Food Bank

23rd Oct—Break the Rules Day

26th Oct—HALF TERM



Attendance

Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you for starting off the term by being smart and punctual to school.

It really does make a difference to the start of the day for your child.

It is imperative you do not book holidays in term time.

We will be sending new attendance rules and guidance out to all families next week explaining attendance expectations for this year.

Year Group	Attendance for the 3rd and 4th of September
Nursery	100%
Reception	95.8%
Year 1	98.5%
Year 2	67.8%
Year 3	87.5%
Year 4	85.7%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	100%
Make sure you arrive to school on time please and come into school each day. OVERALL SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS 94.4% FOR THIS WEEK	



Our Summer Reading Challenge Superstars

